

Orphans' Court.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 238. 1912, sec. 231. 1904, sec. 230. 1888, sec. 227. 1865, ch. 169. 1892, ch. 465. 1898, ch. 256. 1900, ch. 68. 1918, ch. 471, sec. 231. 1920, ch. 343. 1931, ch. 131.

238. The Judges of the Orphans' Court of the several counties shall receive the sum of four dollars for every day's attendance upon the session of said court, to be paid at least as often as at the end of each and every quarter after the qualification of said judges by the counties, provided that St. Mary's and Montgomery counties be exempt from the provisions of this section. The Judges of the Orphans' Court shall receive eight dollars for every day's attendance upon the sessions of said Orphans' Court for Montgomery County, not to exceed one thousand dollars in any twelve-month period, to be paid by the county at the end of each and every month after the qualification of said judges. The Judges of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City to be paid by the City of Baltimore at the end of each and every month and the sessions of said Orphans' Court of Baltimore City shall continue from 11 A. M. to 3 P. M., if necessary, for the transaction of business of the court, and provided that all provisions of any public general law or any public local law inconsistent herewith be and the same are hereby repealed.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 239. 1920, ch. 71. 1927, ch. 151.

239. The Judges of the Orphans' Court of Baltimore City shall each receive the sum of sixteen dollars for every day's attendance upon the sessions of said Orphans' Court of Baltimore City, to be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, at the end of each and every month; and the sessions of said Orphans' Court of Baltimore City shall continue from 11 o'clock A. M. to 3 o'clock P. M., if necessary for the transaction of the business of the Court.¹

An. Code, 1924, sec. 243. 1912, sec. 235. 1904, sec. 234. 1888, sec. 230. 1798, ch. 101, sub-ch. 15, sec. 1. 1896, ch. 246. 1908, ch. 125. 1931, ch. 437.

243. The court shall have full power to take probate of wills, grant letters testamentary and of administration, direct the conduct and accounting of executors and administrators, (pass such orders as in their discretion may be required in the course of the administration of estates for the transfer of personal property, both tangible and intangible, the title to which is not in dispute, superintend the distribution of estates of intestates, secure the rights of orphans and legatees and administer justice in all matters relating to the affairs of deceased persons, also of persons supposed to be dead, under the following conditions: (a) Whenever letters testamentary or of administration are applied for on the estate of any person supposed to be dead on account of uninterrupted absence for above seven years from the place of last domicile within the State and having been for such time unheard of, the court, if satisfied that the person applying therefor, or presenting a will or codicil of the supposed decedent

¹ Sec. 2 of ch. 151 of the acts of 1927 repealed all laws inconsistent therewith.