

the same as is provided for in equity cases. Any person authorized to take depositions shall have the authority to issue subpoenas for witnesses when directed to do so and the sheriff to whom they are directed shall serve the same and make returns as in chancery cases in the circuit court. The sheriffs of the counties and of Baltimore City shall collect all costs and judgments of the land office as other costs and judgments of the circuit courts are collected that may be placed in their hands for collection.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 6. 1912, sec. 6. 1904, sec. 6. 1888, sec. 4. 1853, ch. 415, sec. 2.

6. He shall keep a docket in the form of the dockets used in courts of equity of all disputed cases affecting the title to land, transcripts of which shall be evidence of the proceedings thereon.

This section referred to in distinguishing between the commissioner's ministerial and judicial duties. *Jay v. Van Bibber*, 94 Md. 693.

This section referred to in passing upon the validity of sec. 13 (An. Code, 1912)—see foot-note to sec. 12. *McMullen v. Shepherd*, 133 Md. 162.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 7. 1912, sec. 7. 1904, sec. 7. 1888, sec. 5. 1853, ch. 415, sec. 2.

7. All papers filed in disputed cases affecting the title to land shall with the proceedings, adjudications and orders of the commissioner of the land office be duly recorded.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 8. 1912, sec. 8. 1904, sec. 8. 1888, sec. 6. 1853, ch. 415, sec. 2.

8. The commissioner of the land office shall be entitled to the same fees for recording such papers and proceedings as the clerks of circuit courts are for similar services.

As to the fees chargeable by the land office, see art. 36, sec. 14.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 9. 1912, sec. 9. 1904, sec. 9. 1888, sec. 7. 1853, ch. 415, sec. 3.

9. He shall keep a seal, and all process relating to proceedings in the land office shall issue under the seal of the land office attested by the commissioner.

This section referred to in passing upon the validity of sec. 13 (An. Code, 1912)—see foot-note to sec. 12. *McMullen v. Shepherd*, 133 Md. 162.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 10. 1912, sec. 10. 1904, sec. 10. 1888, sec. 8. 1862, ch. 208.

10. He shall have charge of the records of the court of chancery and the ante-revolution papers now in the chancery office.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 11. 1912, sec. 11. 1904, sec. 11. 1888, sec. 9. 1854, ch. 149, sec. 3.

11. He may certify copies and proceedings of the court of chancery in his possession and where such certificates are required to be under seal, he shall affix his seal of office; and he shall be entitled to the same fees and compensation for such services as the clerks of the circuit courts are entitled to for similar services.

This section referred to in passing upon the validity of sec. 13 (An. Code, 1912)—see footnotes to sec. 12. *McMullen v. Shepherd*, 133 Md. 162.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 12. 1912, sec. 12. 1904, sec. 12. 1888, sec. 10. 1853, ch. 415, sec. 5.

12. He shall give bond to the State with security to be approved by the governor and kept in the State department in the penalty of two thousand dollars for the faithful performance of the duties of his office.¹

¹ Sec. 13 of art. 54, An. Code (1912)—act, 1900, ch. 318—was held unconstitutional and void in *McMullen v. Shepherd*, 133 Md. 158.