

ARTICLE 87.

SHERIFFS.

Oath of Office and Bond.

1. When to take oath.
2. Bond.
3. When to give bond.
4. Proceedings by attorney-general to vacate office for failure to give bond; appointment of successor.

Service of Process, and Proceedings in Cases of Failure to make due Return.

5. Writs to be directed to.
6. To be served and returned by.
7. When bail-bond may be taken by.
8. How such bond shall be taken.
9. Judgment against, for failing to bring into court any person arrested.
10. How judgment fixed by court.
11. Judgment against, for failure to return original writ.
12. Judgment against, for failure to return execution.
13. Court may order return to writs made.
14. Upon paying judgment, shall be entitled to original cause of action and all remedies thereon.
15. Rule upon, to bring money into court, when court may grant; proceedings in such cases.
16. Returns of proceeds of sale by sheriff. Ratification by court. Appeal by party aggrieved.
17. Shall serve all writs sent from other counties; penalty, fine for contempt.
18. Certificate of fine for contempt to be sent to court of county wherein sheriff resides.
19. Return of writs to other counties may be by mail; excuse for non-return in time.
20. When fine remitted by court.
21. Judgment against, for failure to return writs received from other counties.

Death, Resignation or Removal from County or City.

22. Executor to return to clerk unexecuted writs.
23. Party interested may obtain from clerk or register same process as if return had been made by deceased.
24. Duplicate writs to successor where sheriff removes without making returns.
25. Amendment of return in case of death, resignation or removal of sheriff, how procured.
26. Successor to execute deed for lands sold but not conveyed by predecessor.

Execution of Death Penalty.

27. To be executed privately; special provisions for.

Removal of Convicts to Penitentiary.

28. Sheriff to remove; expense, how to be paid; penalty.

Collection of Officers' Fees.

29. When to be collected; Baltimore City and Harford County excepted.
30. May distrain for, when.
31. Proceedings where debtor for such fees absconds.
32. Sales under such distraint for.
33. Account for such fees; judgment for failure to account.
34. Trial by jury, if demanded.
35. Shall have one year after expiration of office to collect fees.
36. Administrator may collect fees.
37. Distress or execution for officers' fees already paid; penalty.

For a form of sheriff's deed, see art. 21, sec. 76.

No sheriff may purchase any debt held by or due from a resident of his county or city—art. 69, sec. 10.

As to the duty of county sheriffs to see that physicians are registered, see art. 43, sec. 140.

As to fees chargeable by sheriffs, see art. 36, secs. 29 and 30.

As to the compensation of sheriffs for services at elections, see art. 33, sec. 162.

See art. 4, sec. 44, and art. 15, sec. 8, of Md. Constitution.