

mitted for their judgment, within two months after the same shall have been so argued or submitted.

PART IV.—COURTS OF BALTIMORE CITY.

SEC. 31. There shall be in the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit four Courts, to be styled the Superior Court of Baltimore city; the Court of Common Pleas; the Circuit Court of Baltimore city; and the Criminal Court of Baltimore; each Court shall consist of one Judge, who shall be elected by the legal and qualified voters of said city, and shall hold his office for the term of fifteen years, subject to the provisions of this Constitution with regard to the election and qualification of Judges, and their removal from office, and shall exercise the jurisdiction hereinafter specified.

Courts in Baltimore city

One Judge in each Court.

Term 15 years.

SEC. 32. Each of said Judges shall receive an annual salary of three thousand dollars, payable quarterly.

Salary, \$3,000.

SEC. 33. The Superior Court of Baltimore city shall have jurisdiction over all suits where the debt or damage claimed, exclusive of interest, shall exceed the sum of one thousand dollars, and in case any plaintiff or plaintiffs shall recover less than the sum or value of one thousand dollars, he or they shall be allowed or adjudged to pay costs in the discretion of the Court. The said Court shall also have jurisdiction as a Court of Equity within the limits of the said city, and in all other civil cases which are not hereinafter assigned to the Court of Common Pleas, and also have jurisdiction in all cases of appeals from the Commissioners for opening streets.

Jurisdiction of Superior Court

7 Md 135

13 Md 314

1852, ch 198, 227, 312, 323

1853, ch. 461.

SEC 34. The Court of Common Pleas shall have civil jurisdiction in all suits where the debt or damage claimed, exclusive of interest, shall be over one hundred dollars, and shall not exceed one thousand dollars; and shall also have jurisdiction in all cases of appeal in civil cases from the judgment of Justices of the Peace in the said city, and shall have jurisdiction in all applications for the benefit of the insolvent laws of this State, and the supervision and control of the trustees thereof.

Jurisdiction of Court of Common Pleas.

1852, ch 169 & 251.

1853, ch 86 & 238

1858, ch 323

5 Md 337

8 Md 147

13 Md 314.

14 Md 173.