

city. He shall also have custody of all papers connected with the proceedings on the Law or Equity side of Baltimore County Court, and of the dockets thereof, so far as the same have relation to the city of Baltimore.

PART V.—ORPHANS' COURTS.

Orphans' Courts.

SEC. 43. There shall be an Orphans' Court in the city of Baltimore, and in each of the counties of this State. The qualified voters of the city of Baltimore and of the several counties of the State shall, on the Tuesday next after the first Monday in the month of November, eighteen hundred and sixty-seven, elect three men to be Judges of the Orphans' Court of said city and counties respectively; one of the said Judges first elected shall hold his office for two years, one for four years and the other for six years; and at the first meeting after their election and qualification, or as soon thereafter as practicable, they shall determine by lot which one of their number shall hold his office for two, four and six years, respectively, and thereafter there shall be elected as aforesaid, at each general election for county officers, one Judge to serve for the term of six years. No person shall be elected Judge of the Orphans' Court unless he be at the time of his election a citizen of the United States and resident for twelve months in the city or county for which he may be elected; each of said Judges shall receive such compensation, to be paid by the said counties and city respectively, as is now or may hereafter be prescribed by the General Assembly.

Three Judges
elected by the
People

Rotation in office

1852, ch. 20, 48, 62,
73, 139, 247, 290,
341
1853, ch. 81, 147,
271, 333, 385

Term six years

Qualifications

Compensation.

Vacancy.

SEC. 44. In case of the death, resignation, removal or other disqualification of a Judge of an Orphans' Court, the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall appoint a person duly qualified to fill said office for the residue of the term thus made vacant.

Jurisdiction.

SEC. 45. The Orphans' Courts shall have all the powers now vested by law in the Orphans' Courts of this State, subject to such changes as the General Assembly may prescribe, and shall have such other jurisdiction as may from time to time be provided by law.