

courts as provided for in the second section of this act. If the fund thus created be inadequate to pay such salaries the additional amount necessary for such payment shall be taken and paid from the fund appropriated by the mayor and city council of Baltimore for certain expenses, to which fund any surplus of the sums so paid over to the comptroller, as hereinbefore provided, shall be credited.

Ibid s. 2.
Stenographers
for court of
common pleas
and superior
court.
Their salaries.

181. The judge of each of the courts hereinbefore named, is hereby authorized and directed to appoint a stenographer for such court, who shall be a sworn officer of the court, and shall be paid a salary of twenty-five hundred dollars per annum, in like manner as the salaries of other officers of the court are now paid as prescribed in section one hundred and thirty-four of this article. The stenographer so appointed shall be skilled in the practice of his art and shall hold his position so long as he efficiently discharges the duties of his office. It shall be his duty, under the direction of the judge of the court, to take full stenographic notes of all oral testimony and judicial opinions orally delivered in every trial at the regular terms thereof; and in case the judge shall require a transcript of such stenographic notes or of any portion thereof, he shall order the expense of such transcription to be paid equally by the parties to the action at the rate of ten cents for every one hundred words so transcribed, and shall enforce payment thereof, and the amount so paid, together with the sum paid as a condition precedent to the cause being brought to trial, shall be deemed a necessary disbursement of the trial and allowed as such to the prevailing party in the action, and shall be so taxed in the bill of costs of the action. It shall further be the duty of the stenographer to furnish to any party to such trials, upon request, a copy of the notes of testimony and judicial opinions taken by him on such trials, or of such part thereof as may be required on payment, on behalf of such party of the expense of such copy at the rate hereinbefore prescribed. It

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