

shall designate therein that the said district at which they presided as judges, is part of district No. —, as laid out by law, to choose a member to represent this State in the Congress of the United States.

37. If at the time appointed for the assembling of the said judges any of them should be prevented from attending, the judge or judges who shall attend may adjourn from day to day until the judges required to meet shall all assemble, immediately after which they shall proceed to perform the duties required of them.

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38. The said judges shall lodge with the clerk of the Circuit Court of the county, or the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, within five days, or sooner if practicable, from their meeting as aforesaid, the books of the polls of all the districts in the county or precincts in the city, together with a certificate of all the votes given in the said districts or precincts.

39. All returns of elections shall be made in the several counties to the respective clerks of the Circuit Courts; and in the city of Baltimore to the clerk of the Superior Court of that city.

40. All ballots cast at any election shall be returned by the said judges on the day of their meeting to the clerks of the said courts, who shall safely keep the same for the space of twelve months from the day of such return; at which time the said clerks, in the presence of one or more justices of the Orphans' Court, shall destroy the same, and shall record among the land records of his office a certificate of the fact, signed by said justice or justices.

41. No ballot thus returned shall be given by the clerk to any person, except as hereinafter directed; but any person interested therein, shall have the privilege of inspecting said ballots in the presence of said clerks.

42. The several county clerks, and the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, with whom the said certificates are lodged, shall each, under the penalty of one hundred dollars, make out a true copy of the said certificate of all the votes lodged with him by the judges, under the seal of his office, within five days after the same shall be so deposited, and shall inclose and seal up the same, directed to the officers to whom they are respectively certified and addressed, indorsed on public service, and shall place the same in the post-office, to be transmitted according to their direction, except the certificate of the election of governor, which shall be directed to the secretary of state.

43. The said clerks shall indorse on the certificate and polls to be delivered to them as aforesaid, the day when received; and shall be allowed as a compensation for making out and forwarding the copies of the said certificates, the same compensation allowed for

designate where county has been divided

Id s 37
1805, c 97, s 17
Judge failing to attend at time appointed, judges may adjourn.

Id s 38
1805, c 97, s 18,
1860, c 10, s 3
Judges to deliver books of the polls to clerk of Circuit Court, or Superior Court of Baltimore City

Id s 39
1852, c 183, s 4
Returns of election to be made to clerks of Circuit Courts, Baltimore City
and to clerk of Superior Court of

Id s 40
1844, c 284, s 6
Ballots how disposed of

Id s 41
1844, c 284, s 6
Any person may inspect ballots

Id s 42
1805, c 97, s 20
Copies of certificates to be sent to whom

Id s 43.
1805, c 97, s 30
Clerks to indorse on certificate and polls date of receipt.