

lars, and of each associate judge of the Circuit Court, shall be two thousand eight hundred dollars per annum, payable quarterly, and shall not be diminished during his continuance in office

SEC 25 There shall be a clerk of the Circuit Court for each county, who shall be elected by a plurality of the qualified voters of said county, and shall hold his office for six years from the time of his election, and until his successor is elected and qualified, and be re-eligible, subject to be removed for wilful neglect of duty, or other misdemeanor in office, on conviction in a court of law In case of a vacancy in the office of clerk of a Circuit Court, the judges of said court shall have power to fill such vacancy until the general election for delegates to the General Assembly, to be held next thereafter, when a successor shall be elected for the term of six years.

1852, c 173, 308,
1853, c 134, 409,
444, 1858, c 363
Clerks to be
elected
Removal
9 Md 242, 11
Md 296

Vacancy
1 Md 374;
11 Md 101.

SEC 26 The said clerks shall appoint, subject to the confirmation of the judges of their respective courts, as many deputies under them as the said judges shall deem necessary to perform, together with themselves, the duties of the said office, who shall be removable by the said judges for incompetency or neglect of duty, and whose compensation shall be according to existing or future provisions of the General Assembly.

Deputies.

PART IV.—COURTS OF BALTIMORE CITY.

SEC 27 There shall be in the eighth judicial circuit six courts, to be styled the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, the Superior Court of Baltimore City, the Court of Common Pleas, the Baltimore City Court, the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, and the Criminal Court of Baltimore.

Six courts.

SEC 28. The Superior Court of Baltimore City, the Court of Common Pleas, and the Baltimore City Court, shall, each, have concurrent jurisdiction in all civil common law cases, and, concurrently, all the jurisdiction which the Superior Court of Baltimore City and the Court of Common Pleas now have, except jurisdiction in equity, and except in applications for the benefit of the insolvent laws of Maryland, and in cases of appeal from judgments of justices of the peace in said city, whether civil or criminal, or arising under the ordinances of the mayor and city council of Baltimore, of all of which appeal cases the Baltimore City Court shall have exclusive jurisdiction; and the said Court of Common Pleas shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all applications for the benefit of the insolvent laws of Maryland, and the supervision and control of the trustees thereof.

Jurisdiction
1852, c 159, 198,
227, 251, 112, 323,
1853, c 46, 234,
451, 1858, c 323
5 Md 337,
7 Md 135, 13
Md 314, 14 Md
173, 28 Md 157,
362, 365, 29 Md
465, 595, 30 Md
130, 34 Md 558,
39 Md 309, 46
Md. 123, 289.

SEC 29 The Circuit Court of Baltimore City shall have exclusive jurisdiction in equity within the limits of said city, and all such jurisdiction as the present Circuit Court of Baltimore City has; *provided*, the said court shall not have jurisdiction in applications for the writ of *habeas corpus* in cases of persons charged with criminal offences

Jurisdiction of
Circuit Court
5 Md 337, 18
Md 505, 31 Md
239, 36 Md 604,
38 Md 203.

SEC 30 The Criminal Court of Baltimore shall have and exercise all the jurisdiction now held and exercised by the Criminal Court of Baltimore, except in such appeal cases as are herein assigned to the Baltimore City Court

Jurisdiction of
Criminal Court.
1852, c 344.
1853, c 33
28 Md 355

SEC 31. There shall be elected by the legal and qualified voters of said city, at the election hereinbefore provided for, one chief judge and four associate judges, who, together, shall constitute the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and shall hold their offices for the term of fifteen years, subject to the provisions of this Constitution with regard to the election and qualifications of judges, and their removal from office, and shall exercise the jurisdiction hereinafter specified, and shall each receive an annual salary of three thousand five hundred dollars, payable quarterly, which shall not be diminished during their term of office; but authority is hereby given to the mayor and city council of Baltimore to pay to each of the said judges an annual addition of five hundred dollars to their respective salaries; *provided*, that the same, being once granted,

Supreme Bench
of Baltimore
City.

Term, fifteen
years

Salary.