

2. Such award shall remain four days in court during its sitting after the return thereof before any judgment shall be entered thereon, and if it shall appear to the court within that time that the same was obtained by fraud or malpractice in, or by surprise, imposition, or deception of the arbitrators, or without due notice to the parties or their attorneys, the court may set aside such award, and refuse to give judgment thereon.

Id s 2
1778, c 21, s 9
Time award to remain in court before judgment
24 Md 492
3 H & McH 121
To be set aside for fraud or surprise

3. All causes so referred shall be continued until an award is returned; and if the death of either of the parties happens before an award is returned and judgment thereon, the cause shall not abate, but upon reasonable notice to the person succeeding to the interest of the deceased in the matter in contest, and not being a minor, the arbitrators shall proceed to a determination and return their award, upon which judgment may be entered, notwithstanding the death of either of the parties.

Id s 3
1785, c 80, s 11
Cause to be continued until award
2 G & J 475, 3 Gill 190
Death of party before award not to abate action

4. If any arbitrator appointed by the parties upon any reference as aforesaid shall die or refuse to act, the court shall, upon motion of either of the parties, appoint an arbitrator or arbitrators in his place, who shall have the same power to decide the matter in question as if appointed by the parties

Id s 4
1785, c 80, s 11
Arbitrator refusing to act, another to be appointed

5. If an award shall not be returned within eight months after the cause has been referred, the court may, by order, compel the arbitrators to return their award, or give their reason for not returning the same; or the court may, in its discretion, upon motion of either of the parties, reinstate the cause, and take such order therein as the court may think proper to have the same fairly tried in court, in the same manner as if it had never been referred.

Id s 5
1785, c 80, s 11
When award to be returned
Court may compel return.

6. In every case where an award shall be made upon such reference, the party in whose favor the award shall be given shall cause a copy thereof to be delivered to the adverse party or his attorney, at least three days before judgment is moved for thereon; and the clerk shall not enter judgment thereon until notice is made to, and direction is received from, the court; and the court shall always have satisfactory proof by the party's own oath or otherwise, that a copy has been delivered to the adverse party or his attorney before judgment shall be entered thereon, unless the parties or their solicitors file a written agreement waiving or admitting notice, and assent to judgment on the award, in which case the court, or one of the judges thereof, may, either in term time or in recess, order the judgment on the award to be entered.

1874, c 156
Copy of award to be delivered to adverse party
Court to require proof of delivery before entering judgment

ARBITRATION OF DISPUTES BETWEEN EMPLOYERS AND EMPLOYEES.

7. Whenever any controversy shall arise between any corporation incorporated by this State in which this State may be interested as a stockholder or creditor, and any persons in the employment or service of such corporation, which shall, in the opinion of the board of public works, tend to impair the usefulness or prosperity of such

1878, c 379
Power of board of public works