

the same; and such administrator or other person shall be subject to the same penalty for neglect or failure to make such delivery which is appointed in the preceding section.

1888, art. 52, sec. 17. 1860, art. 51, sec. 11. 1814, ch. 82, sec. 1.

18. The clerks to whom such dockets and papers are delivered shall keep the same as other records and shall deliver transcripts from the dockets or papers so returned to any person applying for the same.

Ibid. sec. 18. 1860, art. 51, sec. 12. 1809, ch. 76, sec. 4. 1814, ch. 82, sec. 1.

19. Any justice of the peace of the same county may issue process of any sort on a copy of another justice's docket made by the clerk, if the docket has been delivered to him, that he might issue if the docket had been kept by himself.

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Ibid. sec. 19. 1860, art. 51, sec. 17. 1818, ch. 166, sec. 2.

20. No justice of the peace shall grant any blank summons or execution to any constable or party; and any justice so granting a blank summons or execution shall, on conviction, be fined not less than one hundred dollars and not exceeding four hundred dollars.

Ibid. sec. 20. 1860, art. 51, sec. 18. 1791, ch. 68, sec. 6. 1841, ch. 139.
1852, ch. 76, sec. 3.

21. The process to be issued by justices of the peace in civil cases shall be a summons, wherein shall be stated briefly the purpose for which the party is summoned, and shall be made returnable before the justice issuing the same, or before some other justice to be named therein, on a day to be stated in said summons, not exceeding forty days from the time of issuing the same.

Ibid. sec. 21. 1860, art. 51, sec. 19. 1852, ch. 76, sec. 3.

22. If the summons shall be returned "summoned" and the defendant shall fail to appear on the return day thereof, then the justice shall fix a day of trial, not less than six nor more than fourteen days from the return day, and on such day proceed to try such case *ex parte*; the defendant to have the right to appear at any time before judgment and make any defense he may have as if he had appeared at the return day of the summons.

Wagner v Shank, 59 Md. 321. *Fahey v. Mottu*, 67 Md. 254. *Mottu v Fahey*, 78 Md. 390. *Weed v. Lewis*, 80 Md. 128.