

court, commissioner or examiner, may be punished by the court by which such order or summons was issued for a contempt.

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1888, art. 75, sec. 129. 1860, art. 75, sec. 84. 1796, ch. 43, sec. 9.

1801, ch. 74, sec. 11. 1852, ch. 76, sec. 1. 1884, ch. 128

141. In all civil suits or actions in the circuit courts where *capias ad respondendum* formerly issued, a writ of summons shall be issued for the defendant, in which shall be stated the purpose for which he is summoned; and the said summons shall be returnable on the first day of the term next after issuing the same; and the sheriff of any county from which the writ of summons for any defendant or defendants may be issued by the circuit court for any such county, or the sheriff of the city of Baltimore, in case the writ of summons is issued from any of the courts of the city of Baltimore, may serve any such writ of summons on the defendant or defendants named in the writ, wherever he may find such defendant or defendants, whether in or out of the county or city from a court of which such process may have issued; or the writs of summons may be directed to and served by the sheriff of any county or city where the defendant may chance to be, returnable to the court where the process issued; and any writ or summons, when so served and returned, shall have the same effect as if it had been served on the defendant or defendants by the sheriff of the county in said county from a court of which the said writ of summons may issue.

State v. Logan, 33 Md. 1. *Ritter v. Offutt*, 40 Md. 207.

Ibid. sec. 130. 1860, art. 75, sec. 85. 1796, ch. 43, sec. 2.

1852, ch. 336.

142. If the defendant is returned "summoned," and the defendant returned "summoned" shall fail to appear, the court shall, on the second day of the term to which the summons is returnable, enter the appearance of any defendant so summoned and failing to appear, and the action shall proceed in the same manner as if the party had appeared in person.

Horner v. O'Laughlin, 29 Md. 465. *Sprigg v. State*, 54 Md. 470.

Ibid. sec. 131. 1860, art. 75, sec. 86. 1796, ch. 43, sec. 4.

143. Where there are more than one defendant, and some shall appear, and some who have been summoned shall fail to