

1888, art. 93, sec. 271. 1860, art. 93, sec. 269. 1853, ch. 444, sec. 5.

**275.** Any register who shall be guilty of false swearing in taking the oath required by the preceding section, with the intention to deceive and defraud the treasury, shall be guilty of perjury.

Ibid. sec. 272. 1860, art. 93, sec. 270. 1853, ch. 444, sec. 6.

**276.** The official bond of the register of wills of Baltimore city shall be answerable for the emoluments of his office over and above the sum of three thousand five hundred dollars ; and the official bond of the several registers of wills of the counties shall be answerable for the emoluments of their office, respectively, over and above the sum of three thousand dollars ; and every register, upon failure or neglect to pay or account for the excess over and above said sums shall be subjected to a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars.

Ibid. sec. 273. 1860, art. 93, sec. 271. 1853, ch. 444, sec. 4. 1892, ch. 409.

**277.** The comptroller shall, from time to time, limit and fix the number and compensation of assistant clerks or deputies to be employed by any such register, and no account for compensation for services of any assistant clerk, deputy or other person employed in performing any of the duties pertaining to the office of any such register, shall be allowed until such assistant, deputy or other person employed shall have certified, under oath, that the said services have been performed, that he has received the full sum therein charged to his own use and benefit, and that he has not paid, deposited or assigned, nor contracted to pay, deposit or assign any part of such compensation to the use of any person, nor in any way, directly or indirectly paid or given, nor contracted to pay or give any reward or compensation for his office or employment, or the emoluments thereof ; and such registers of wills are hereby authorized to appoint such assistant clerks and deputies, and when duly qualified as such, said assistant clerks and deputies shall have power and authority, in the absence of the register, to act in the place and stead of the register in all matters pertaining to the duties of the office of register of wills ; and all such acts heretofore performed by any such assistant clerk or deputy are hereby expressly ratified and confirmed as if they had been performed by the register of wills in person.