

Pleading, Practice and Process.

1888, art. 16, sec. 117. Rule 1. 1890, ch. 424.

130. The circuit courts for the several counties of this State, and the circuit court of the city of Baltimore, and the circuit court number two of the city of Baltimore, as courts of equity, shall be deemed and taken to be always open for the transaction of business therein, and the several regular terms of said courts for the return of process and other practical purposes shall be of two months' duration, and shall commence in the counties on the first Monday of January, of March, of May, of July, of September, and of November of each year; and in Baltimore city shall commence on the second Monday of January, of March, of May, of July, of September, and of November of each year.

Ibid. sec. 118. Rule 2.

131. The several clerks of said courts shall receive and file all papers pertaining to said courts, respectively, and shall keep substantial dockets, and make all proper entries therein, of papers filed, and of the proceedings of the said courts, as they occur; so that the docket entries shall always show, as near as possible, the real condition and progress of the proceedings.

Ibid. sec. 119. Rule 3.

132. All original proceedings in said courts shall be commenced by bill, or by special case stated, as hereinafter provided for; the term "bill" to embrace petition or information, where, by statute, or the established practice, petition or information be proper.

Ibid. sec. 120. Rule 4.

133. No order or process shall be made or issued upon any bill, petition or other paper, until such bill, petition, or other paper, together with all the exhibits referred to as parts thereof, be actually filed with the clerk of the court.

Chappell v. Clark, 94 Md. 179. *Aukam v. Zantzing*, 94 Md. 425. *Reichard v. Izer*, 95 Md. 466.

Ibid. sec. 121. Rule 6

134. All process, other than process to give notice to, or to procure the appearance of defendants, shall be made returnable to the first day of the term ensuing the date of such process; and all process that may be issued for the appearance of parties, or to compel appearance, shall be made returnable in the several counties on the first Monday of the month ensuing the date of its issue, and in Baltimore city shall be made returnable on the second Monday of the month ensuing the date of its issue, but