

of registration, but may have printed blanks for such purpose to be paid for as a part of the necessary stationery of their office; the sheriffs of their respective counties in this State shall each receive one dollar for every registry of voters delivered by them to the judges of election in their respective counties; the necessary expenses incurred by said respective officers of registration in any county of this State for books, stationery, fuel, office rent, and for publication of the notices and lists in such county which are by this article required to be published shall be paid by the county commissioners of such county; the like necessary expenses incurred in the city of Baltimore shall be paid by the mayor and city council thereof; the accounts of the said respective officers of registration shall be verified by vouchers and be subject respectively to the approval of the mayor and city council of Baltimore and of the respective county commissioners.

Expenses.

To appoint
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counties.

32. The board of supervisors of elections in the city of Baltimore shall *biennially* appoint some practicing member of the bar of Baltimore city as general counsel to the said board of supervisors of elections in said city, whose duty it shall be to advise and *counsel the said board*, the said officers of registration and the judges of election appointed by the said board, in all matters of law arising before them respectively; he shall also appear for and defend the said officers of registration at the hearing of all petitions which may be filed under the provisions of this article against said officers of registration; and for his services shall receive an annual salary of eighteen hundred dollars to be paid by the mayor and city council of Baltimore in equal monthly instalments; the said board shall also have power to appoint additional counsel to appear for and defend said officers of registration in all cases brought against them as such officers, whenever in the opinion of the said board it shall become necessary, whose combined compensation to be paid by the said mayor and city council upon written requisition made by the said board shall not exceed fifteen hundred dollars in any one year; in the respective counties of this State it shall be the duty of the State's attorneys of said respective counties in the same manner to advise and appear for the officers of registration appointed to act in their respective counties and for the respective clerks of the respective circuit courts for their counties; and the State's attorneys shall be paid by the county commissioners of the several counties fifty dollars per annum for such services; and said State's attorneys shall prepare for publication the necessary notices to be given by the registers in each and every year of the times and places of the sittings of said registers.

33. It shall be the duty of the person or officers having charge of the vital statistics of any city or county to furnish to the officers of registration of the election districts of the several counties