

eral election held on the Tuesday after the first Monday in November, in the year eighteen hundred and seventy-one, your memorialist was elected by the legally qualified voters of the counties of Montgomery and Frederick, constituting the Sixth Judicial Circuit, Chief Judge of said Circuit, "for the term of fifteen years, etc." or "until he shall have attained the age of seventy years, whichever may first happen."

Your memorialist further shows, that he was duly commissioned and qualified, and has since discharged the duties of Chief Judge of said Judicial Circuit, and those of an Associate Judge of the Court of Appeals.

Your memorialist further shows, that he was born on the twenty-third of June 1807, and will (if his life is prolonged) attain the age of seventy years, on the 23d of June, 1877, when his term of service will expire, unless it is extended by your Honorable Bodies, pursuant to the 3d Section of the 4th Article of the Constitution; which provides, "but in case of any Judge, who shall attain the age of seventy years whilst in office, such Judge may be continued in office by the General Assembly, for such further time as they may think fit, not to exceed the term for which he was elected, by a Resolution to be passed at the Session next preceding his attaining said age."

Your memorialist, respectfully submits his case, to the consideration of the General Assembly, and prays his term of office may be extended for such further time as they may think fit, if not inconsistent with the public welfare.

And your memorialist as in duty bound, will ever pray.

RICHARD J. BOWIE,

*Chief Judge of the Sixth Judicial Circuit.*

Mr. Lawrence submitted the following:

Ordered, That the State Librarian be, and he is hereby directed to furnish to the members and officers of the Senate portfolios for the use of their desks.

Which was rejected by yeas and nays as follows:

AFFIRMATIVE—Mr. Suit—1.

NEGATIVE.

Messrs. President,  
Bannon,  
Brewer,  
Cooper,  
Duke,

Humphreys,  
Joyce,  
Knight,  
Lee,  
Lawrence,