

duties appertaining to said office until the appointment and qualification of the new City Solicitor, and during the absence, sickness or other disability of the City Solicitor, the Deputy City Solicitor shall perform all the duties appertaining to the office of City Solicitor, including his duties as a member of the Board of Estimates and of the Board of Awards; in addition to such other duties as the City Solicitor may assign to him, one of the Assistant City Solicitors shall have charge, subject to the direction and control of the City Solicitor, of the examination of all titles on behalf of the city, and in doing such work shall be aided by such persons as the City Solicitor shall employ for the purpose, out of the funds appropriated by the annual ordinance of estimates to his department for general expenses, or out of the proceeds of loans or other sums appropriated by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, to defray the cost of public improvements or work, involving the examination of titles on behalf of the city.

Examine titles

65. The City Solicitor is authorized to employ, in addition to the assistants to one of the Assistant City Solicitors mentioned in Section 62 of this Article, at a total cost not exceeding the aggregate amount therefor fixed by the annual ordinance of estimates, a clerk, stenographer and typewriter, and such other assistants of every kind as he may require, who shall at all times be subject to his orders. The said clerk shall, subject to the direction of the City Solicitor, have charge and custody of the office and papers of the law department, which shall be arranged and indexed by him in such convenient and orderly manner as to be at all times readily accessible. He shall also keep in said office a complete docket and duplicate pleadings of all suits, actions or proceedings in which the city, or any department or official thereof, is interested, pending in any court or tribunal, upon which docket such appropriate entries shall be made as to show at all times the condition of each one of such cases. He shall also keep and record in a book to be provided for that purpose the original or duplicate copies of all written opinions furnished by the law department to the city, or to any department or official thereof, and also of all abstracts of title furnished to the city by the law department. He shall also procure as far as possible all legal opinions and abstracts of title which have heretofore been furnished to the

Clerical help to be appointed.

Duties of clerk.