

make his written complaint, under oath, before any justice of the peace of the city of Baltimore, describing therein in general terms the property sought to be had again and repossessed as aforesaid, and setting forth the name of the tenant to whom the same is rented (with the names of the assignees or under-tenants in said premises should there be such known to said lessor) with the amount of rent thereon due and unpaid, and praying, by warrant, to have again and repossess the premises accordingly; and it shall thereupon be the duty of said justice of the peace forthwith to issue his summons, directed to any constable in his bailiwick, and ordering him to notify said tenant, assignee or under-tenant forthwith to yield up said premises, or at a trial, to be held on the tenth day after filing of said complaint, to show cause why the prayer of said lessor should not be granted as aforesaid; and the said constable shall forthwith proceed to serve said summons upon said tenant, assignee or under-tenant in said premises, or upon his or their known or authorized agent; but if, for any reason, neither said tenant, assignee or under-tenant, nor his or their said agent can be found, then the said constable shall affix an attested copy of said summons conspicuously upon said premises; and such affixing of said summons shall, for the purposes of this act, be deemed and construed a sufficient service upon all persons whatsoever.

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SEC. 4. *And be it enacted*, That if, at the trial on the tenth day aforesaid, the justice of the peace shall be satisfied that the interests of justice will be better served by an adjournment to enable either party to procure his necessary witnesses, or by consent of all the parties who appear, he may adjourn the trial for a period not exceeding five days in all, except by consent of all parties; and if, at said trial or due adjournment thereof as aforesaid, it shall appear to the satisfaction of the justice of the peace before whom said complaint has been made and tried as aforesaid, that the rent for said premises is actually due and unpaid, as set forth in said complaint, then the said justice of the peace shall give judgment in favor of said lessor, and shall order

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the trial.