

179. The Mayor and City Council of Baltimore or any person or persons, or corporations, who may be dissatisfied with the assessment of damages or benefits, as hereinbefore provided, may, within thirty days after the return of the corrected statement and map or maps to the Register, and the first publication of the notice thereof by the Register, appeal therefrom by petition, in writing, to the Baltimore City Court, praying the said Court to review the same, and on any such appeal the Court may and shall appoint a day for hearing said appeal, which shall not be less than five or more than thirty days after the expiration of the thirty days limited for taking appeals as aforesaid, and shall direct the clerk of the said Court to issue a *sub-pœna duces tecum* to the City Register, requiring him to produce and deliver to said Court the record of the proceedings of the said Commissioners in the case, and all maps, plats, documents and papers connected with such record, and the said City Court shall have full power to hear and fully examine the subject, and decide on the said appeal, and for that purpose is hereby authorized and empowered to adjourn from time to time, and may cause all such appeals to be consolidated, or may hear and decide them separately, and may require the said Commissioners, their Clerk, Surveyor, or other agents and servants, or any of them, and all such other persons as the Court shall deem necessary, to attend, and examine them on oath or affirmation, and may permit and require all such explanations, amendments and additions to be made to and of the said record of the proceedings as the said Court shall deem requisite ; and the persons appealing to the Baltimore City Court, as aforesaid, shall be secured in the right of a jury trial, and the said Court shall direct the Sheriff of Baltimore City to summon twelve or more persons qualified to be jurors, and shall empanel any twelve disinterested persons so summoned, or attending the Court, to try any question of facts, and if necessary to view any property in the City, or adjacent thereto, to ascertain and decide on the amount of damages or benefits, under the direction of the Court ; and the said Court shall not reject or set aside the record of the proceedings of the said Commissioners for any defect or omission in either form or substance, but shall amend or supply all such defects and omissions, and increase or reduce the amount of damages and benefits assessed, and alter, modify and