

(1) He shall possess the general powers of a Justice of the Peace, and also the powers of a Police Justice of Hagerstown, as the same are now or may hereafter be defined by law.

(2) He shall have full power and jurisdiction over and with respect to all delinquent, neglected and dependent minors under the age of sixteen years, and of any and all persons causing, encouraging or contributing towards the delinquency, neglect or dependency of any such minor.

(3) He shall have exclusive jurisdiction in all cases of trial or commitment for trial or commitment to any Juvenile Institution of any minor under sixteen years of age, and shall have plenary jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all cases of any such dependent, neglected or delinquent children and to provide for the custody, control and maintenance of such child or children until it or they shall attain the age of twenty-one years, and shall have all other jurisdiction by this Act expressly conferred, and such Magistrate shall sit at such times and places as may be necessary for the proper discharge of his duties.

(4) Such Justice is empowered to appoint a suitable person to act as his clerk, who may be a woman, who shall receive two-thirds from the County Commissioners of said Washington County, and the other one-third from the Mayor and Council of Hagerstown, a salary of seven hundred and fifty dollars per annum, payable monthly, and who shall attend at such times and places and perform such duties as may be directed by said Justice, and who shall be removable by said Justice at his discretion.

(5) The hearing, trial and determination of all cases of dependent, neglected or delinquent children by said Justice, sitting as the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases, shall be had without regard to technicalities of procedure or rules of evidence.

(6) The Justice herein provided for, before qualifying as such, shall give bond to the State of Maryland in a penalty of one thousand dollars, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Washington County, conditioned that he will well and faithfully perform and execute the duties and obligations of the office of Justice of the Peace, and that he will account for and pay over to the County Commissioners of Washington County all fines, penalties, for-