

571. Appointment and duties of Clerk.

The Magistrate for Juvenile Cases shall appoint a suitable person to act as Clerk, who may be a woman, who shall be paid in monthly installments, two-thirds by the County Commissioners of Washington County, and one-third by the Mayor and City Council of Hagerstown, a salary to be fixed by said Magistrate for Juvenile Cases, not exceeding Twelve Hundred Dollars per annum, and who shall attend at such times and places and perform such duties as may be directed by said Magistrate and who shall be removable by said Magistrate at his discretion.

Before qualifying as such, said Clerk shall give bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of Two Thousand Dollars, with a surety or sureties to be approved by the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Washington County, conditioned that she will well and faithfully perform and execute the duties of her office and she will account for and pay over to the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases all money coming into her hands for or on account of any business pertaining to or connected with the Juvenile Court. And the bond of said Clerk shall be liable at the suit of the State of Maryland for the use of the Magistrate for Juvenile Cases, the County Commissioners of Washington County, and the Mayor and City Council of Hagerstown, and of any person, persons, corporation or corporations entitled under any default of said conditions.

572. Miscellaneous.

a. The said Magistrate shall have the power and authority to direct that payments of support money ordered to be paid by him shall be paid through the Juvenile Court and the said Magistrate is authorized to receive and disburse payments ordered to be paid through said Court, by the Circuit Court for Washington County, in non-support and bastardy cases.

b. Costs.

(1) The said Magistrate shall have full power and authority to assess the costs in any proceeding instituted under the provisions of this Act against any adult defendant. Costs in such cases shall be taxed in the customary amount, but in no case shall any appearance fee be allowed, and fees to witnesses shall be allowed only in the discretion of said Magistrate, but when allowed, such witness fees and mileage shall be the same as now allowed by the Circuit Court for Washington County.

(2) In no case shall any person filing a petition under this act be held liable for any costs of the case unless the Magistrate shall be satisfied that the case was instituted