

ful for the Judge of any adjoining Judicial Circuit ; or if the cause is pending in the Court of Common Pleas for Baltimore city, or the Criminal Court of Baltimore, it shall and may be lawful for the Judge of the Superior Court of Baltimore city; or if the cause is pending in the Superior Court of Baltimore city, it shall and may be lawful for the Judge of the Court of Common Pleas aforesaid ; respectively to appoint some other proper person to sit as especial Judge in such cause, and to make a like appointment as often as the vacancy may occur ; and the person so appointed shall before he proceeds to act, take the oath prescribed in the original act. And that upon the death, resignation or refusal to act of any person, previously appointed to sit as special Judge, in any cause after the Clerk of the Court in which such cause is pending shall have received satisfactory information thereof, it shall be his duty unless the parties to the cause have with their consent supplied the vacancy by a new appointment, immediately to give notice of the death, resignation or refusal to act, to the proper Judge having authority to fill the vacancy, as before indicated, whose duty it shall be to make a new appointment, without any unnecessary delay, and to advise said clerk thereof. And the person so appointed after qualifying by taking the oath as aforesaid, shall have the same power and authority to hear, try and determine the cause committed to him as fully as if he had been originally appointed to sit as special judge therein.

Sufficient proof of vacancy.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted*, That a note in writing showing his resignation signed by the special Judge in the cause, and filed with said clerk ; and a note in writing admitting the death or refusal to act of any special Judge signed by the parties to the cause and filed with said clerk, shall be sufficient proof of vacancy to warrant the appointment as aforesaid of another person to sit as special Judge in the cause.

Parties bound by proceedings of special Judge.

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted*, That if to any of the causes aforesaid, an infant, married woman, or person non compos mentis be a party, the guardian *ad litem*, shall have power to consent to the appointment of some proper person to sit as special Judge therein ; and the person so appointed shall have the same authority to bind and conclude all parties by his proceedings as fully as though they had all been competent to have assented directly for themselves to