

According to Law. Given under the Seal of the State of Maryland,  
 this Day of in the Year of our Lord one thousand  
 seven hundred and seventy-seven.  
 Witness C. D. Chancellor.

C H A P.  
 V, VI.

II. And be it enacted, That the Oaths to the Governor shall be administered to him by the President of the Senate in the Senate House, in the Presence of the Members of the General Assembly; and the Oaths to the Members of the Council shall be administered by the President of the Senate, or any Judge or Justice; and the Oaths to the Chancellor shall be administered to him by the Governor, at the Time of delivering to him the Great Seal of this State; and any Judge or Justice may qualify before any one in Commission with him, or before any qualified Judge or Justice, which Qualification shall be certified by the Judge or Justice before whom the same is made, and shall be recorded by the Court of which the Judge or Justice so qualified is or shall be a Member.

By whom the  
 several Oaths  
 are to be ad-  
 ministered.

C H A P. VI.

An ACT to direct in what Manner all Fines, Forfeitures, and Penalties, shall be recovered; and in what Manner Fines, Forfeitures, Penalties, and Amerciaments, shall be applied.

**B**E it enacted, by the General Assembly of Maryland, That all Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures, directed and imposed by any of the Laws now in force, and all Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures, which shall hereafter be inflicted and imposed, and no Mode of Recovery or Application shall be directed, shall and may be recovered in Manner following, to wit: Where the Sum doth not exceed five Pounds current Money, the same shall and may be recovered, with Costs, in the Name of this State and the Informer, before any one Justice of the Peace of the County where the Offence shall be committed; and where the Sum exceeds five Pounds current Money, the same shall and may be recovered, with Costs, in the County Court of the County where the Offence shall happen, by Indictment in the Name of this State, or by Action of Debt in the Name of this State and the Informer, in which it shall be sufficient to allege that the Defendant is indebted to this State and the Informer, in the Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, by the Act directed and imposed, whereby Action accrued, without setting forth the special Matter, provided the Cause of Action be indorsed on the Writ at the Time of the issuing thereof. And where any Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, shall be recovered before a Justice of the Peace, such Justice shall either commit the Offender to the public Gaol till Payment to the Sheriff of the County, or by Warrant to any Constable shall direct and order the same to be levied, with the Costs of Execution, on the Offender's Goods or Chattels, and shall annually return to the Treasurer of his Shore a List of the Fines, Penalties, or Forfeitures, recovered before him; and the Constable collecting the same shall, on the Receipt thereof, pay one half to the Informer, and the other half to the Sheriff of his County, who shall pay the same to the Treasurer of his Shore for the Use of this State. And if the Fine, Penalty, or Forfeiture, shall be recovered by Indictment, the Court before

Fines, Penalties, and Forfeitures, how to be recovered and applied.