

to be free and frequent, and every white\* male citizen having the qualifications prescribed by the Constitution, ought to have the right of suffrage.

Bevard vs. Hoffman, 18 Md., 479.

Art. 8. That the Legislative, Executive and Judicial powers of Government ought to be forever separate and distinct from each other; and no person exercising the functions of one of said Departments shall assume or discharge the duties of any other.

Separation of the departments of government.

State vs. Chase, 5 H. & J., 304. Crane vs. Meginnis, 1 G. & J., 463. Mitchell vs. Mitchell, 1 Gill, 66. Prout vs. Berry, 2 Gill, 147. Miller vs. State, 8 Gill, 145. Watkins vs. Watkins, 2 Md., 341. Wright vs. Wright, 2 Md., 429. Thomas vs. Owens, 4 Md., 189. Gough vs. Pratt, Adm'r, 9 Md., 526. Calvert vs. Williams, 10 Md., 478. Mayor, &c., of Balto., vs. State, 15 Md., 376. State vs. N. C. R. W. Co., 18 Md., 193. Miles vs. Bradford, 22 Md., 181. Mayor, &c., of Balto., vs. Horn, 26 Md., 206. Green's Estate, 4 Md., Ch. Dec., 349. Waters, vs. Roche, 72 Md., 264. Van Witsen vs. Gutman, 79 Md., 405. Mayor, &c., of Balto., vs. Ulman, 79 Md., 469. McCrea vs. Roberts, 89 Md., 251. Roby vs. Prince George's Co., 92 Md., 161. Beasley vs. Ridout, 94 Md., 659. Board of Supervisors, Prince George's Co., vs. Mitchell, 97 Md., 330.

Art. 9. That no power of suspending Laws or the execution of Laws, unless by, or derived from the Legislature, ought to be exercised, or allowed.

Suspension of laws.

Art. 10. That freedom of speech and debate, or proceedings in the Legislature, ought not to be impeached in any Court of Judicature.

Freedom of speech.

Art. 11. That Annapolis be the place of meeting of the Legislature; and the Legislature ought not to be convened, or held at any other place but from evident necessity.

Seat of government.

Art. 12. That for redress of grievances, and for amending, strengthening, and for preserving the laws, the Legislature ought to be frequently convened.

Meeting of Legislature.

Art. 13. That every man hath a right to petition the Legislature for the redress of grievances in a peaceful and orderly manner.

Right of petition.

Art. 14. That no aid, charge, tax, burthen or fees ought to be rated, or levied, under any pretence, without the consent of the Legislature.

Levy of taxes.

Art. 15. That the levying of taxes by the poll is grievous and oppressive, and ought to be prohibited; that paupers

Poll tax.

\*The word "white" omitted under the 15th Amendment to the Constitution of the United State.