

the Sheriff shall immediately summon as many persons similarly qualified, as together with the jurors in attendance, will furnish a panel of twenty jurors, and from the panel each party, his, her or their or its attorney or agent, or if either party be not present in person or by agent, the Sheriff for him, her or them, or it may strike off four persons, and the remaining twelve shall act as the jury of inquisition of damages; and to each before he acts as such juror the Sheriff shall administer an oath or affirmation that he will justly and impartially value the damages which the owner or owners will sustain by the use or occupation of the said lands so required to be taken, and the said jury on assessing the damages aforesaid shall take into consideration the benefit derived to the property from the road itself, and shall reduce their inquisition to writing, and sign and seal the same, and it shall be returned by the Sheriff to the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore County, and be filed by said Clerk in his office, and shall be confirmed by said Circuit Court at its next session if no sufficient cause to the contrary be shown, and all objections to said inquisition shall be filed with the said Clerk of said Circuit Court within forty days after the said inquisition shall have been filed in his office; and when said inquisition shall have been confirmed it shall be recorded by the Clerk at the expense of said Company; but if the same be set aside, the Circuit Court of said county shall direct another inquisition to be taken in the manner above described, and the inquisition shall in all cases describe the land condemned, and the quantity or duration of the interest in the same valued for said Company, and such valuation when paid or tendered to the owner or owners of the property, his, her or their legal representatives, shall entitle the said Company to the estate and interest in the same thus valued, as if it had been legally conveyed by the owner or owners of the same, and the valuation if not received when tendered may be received at any time thereafter without costs from the said Company by the owner or owners, or his, her or their legal representatives; provided, that until said valuation is paid or tendered by said Company, said Company shall not be authorized to take possession of the lands, except to go over, examine and survey the same.

Assess damage.

Valuation.