

SEC. 40. The present Clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore city and of the Court of Common Pleas, and of the Criminal Court of Baltimore, shall continue to act as Clerks of said Courts respectively during the time for which they were severally elected, and until their successors are elected and qualified, and in case of the death, resignation or disqualification of either of said Clerks before the expiration of the time for which they were elected, the Judge of the Court where such death, resignation or other disqualification may occur, shall have the power to appoint a Clerk as provided by the Thirty-ninth Section of this Article. The present Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore city shall continue to act as Clerk of said Court, until the first election for county officers next after the adoption of this Constitution, when a Clerk of said Court shall be elected in the same manner, and hold his office for the same time, and be subject to the same provisions of this Constitution, as the Clerks of the Courts in said city.

Clerks continued.

Vacancy.

SEC. 41. The General Assembly shall, whenever it may think the same proper and expedient, provide by law another Court for the city of Baltimore, to consist of one Judge, to be elected by the legal and qualified voters of said city, who shall be subject to the same constitutional provisions, hold his office for the same term of years, and receive the same compensation as the Judge of the Superior Court of said city, and said Court shall have such jurisdiction and powers as may be prescribed by law; and the General Assembly may re-apportion the civil jurisdiction among the several Courts in Baltimore city from time to time, as in their judgments the public interest and convenience may require.

Another Court in
Baltimore city.
1853, ch. 122.
do. 391.

Civil Jurisdiction
of Courts in Balti-
more city.

SEC. 42. The Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas shall have authority to issue within said city, all marriage and other licenses required by law, subject to such provisions as the General Assembly have now or may hereafter prescribe, and the Clerk of the Superior Court of said city, shall receive and record all deeds, conveyances, and other papers which are required by law to be recorded in said

Authority of
Clerks of Common
Pleas and Superior
Court.