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or, if the said owner or owners are nonresidents of the City of Baltimore, or are the unknown heirs of some deceased person or persons, the Court shall order the sheriff to set up a copy of the summons upon the property, and shall order a notice to the said non-resident or non-residents, or unknown heirs of such deceased person or persons, to be published twice a week for four successive weeks, in two daily news. papers published in the City of Baltimore, requiring them to appear in said Court and defend their interests on or before some day named in the order, which day shall not be less than six weeks, nor more than eight weeks from the day of the filing of the petition to condemn; upon the return of said summons, or upon the expiration of the time prescribed in the said order of publication, or upon the appearance of said owner or owners, or supposed owner or owners of said property, the Court shall hear and determine any reason that may be alleged why the said lot of ground and property shall not be lawfully condemned for the purpose set forth; and, if it appears to the Court that any such owner or reputed owners are under any legal disability to make his, her or their defense, the Court shall either authorize their duly constituted guardian or committee to appear and defend for them, or shall appoint some suitable person as guardian ad litem for them, to appear in their name and defend their rights; if the Court shall determine that the lot of ground and property aforesaid are not subject to condemnation at all, it shall quash the petition; if it shall determine the proceedings are void for want of

proper notice or summons, which has not been barred by the appearance of the owner or reputed owners, it shall order a re-summons or re-publication of the order of Republication of notice. notice; the Court shall at any time have power to permit any amendments in matter of form, if there be no objection to the condemnation of said property; or, if the Court shall decide against the validity of Court decide. any such objection as may be alleged, it shall order and adjudge that said lots of ground and property be subject to condemnation, and refer the assessing of the value of the same to the Park Commissioners to make an award of the value of the said lot of ground and property or portion thereof, and of the interests of the several owners; as soon as conveniently may be, the said Park Commissioners shall assess the value of the said lot of ground and property sought to be condemned in fee-simple, and apportion the same among the owners of the different estates therein, according to the value of their respective interests, and return to the Baltimore City Court their award of the value of the said lot of ground and property, and of the respective interests of the several owners thereof, under their hands, and give notice by advertise- Advertisement ment, twice a week for one week, in two of the daily papers of Baltimore City, that such award has been returned to the Baltimore City Court, and that all persons having an interest therein may show cause, if any they have, why the same should not be confirmed during the ten days subject to exceptions; either the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or any owner or reputed owners of any interest in the lot of