

**COMPARISON OF CONSTITUTIONS**

**PROPOSED CONSTITUTION OF 1968**

**CONSTITUTION OF 1867**

**Section 5.25. Restriction of Non-Judicial Activities.**

No judge shall practice law, or seek public elective office other than the judicial office he then holds, or contribute to or hold office in a political party or political organization, or participate in a partisan political campaign, or serve as officer, director, or employee of any business formed with the intention of making a profit. No retired judge while practicing law or holding any public office of profit shall be paid any pension for his judicial service.

**Removal of Judges**

**Section 5.26. Commission on Judicial Disabilities.**

The Commission on Judicial Disabilities

once granted, shall not be diminished, nor increased, during the continuance of said Judges in office.

**Sec. 31A.** In addition to the authority granted to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore by the preceding section to pay to each of the Judges of the Supreme Bench the annual sum of five hundred dollars, authority is hereby given to said Mayor and City Council to pay to each of said Judges such further annual sum as an addition to their respective salaries as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall from time to time deem right and proper, provided, that any such sum being once granted shall not be diminished during the continuance of said Judges in office.

**Sec. 41A.** . . . [Judges of Baltimore City People's Court] shall receive from the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City such compensation as shall be fixed by Law by the General Assembly, which shall not be diminished during continuance in office.

*For county People's Courts, See Art. IV, Sec. 41B at Section 5.11.*

**Sec. 41C(a).** . . . [Municipal Court of Baltimore City] Authority is hereby given to the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore to pay to each of the Judges of the Court herein created such annual sum as an addition to their respective salaries as the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore shall from time to time deem right and proper, provided that any such sum, being once granted, shall not be diminished during the continuance of said Judges in office.

**Declaration of Rights, Art. 33.** That the independency and uprightness of Judges are essential to the impartial administration of Justice, and a great security to the rights and liberties of the People: Wherefore, the Judges shall not be removed, except in the manner, and for the causes provided in this Constitution. No Judge shall hold any other office, civil or military, or political trust, or employment of any kind, whatsoever, under the Constitution or Laws of this State, or of the United States, or any of them; or receive fees, or perquisites of any kind, for the discharge of his official duties.

**Sec. 4A. (a)** There is created a Commission on Judicial Disabilities, composed of five persons appointed by the Governor