

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 1-402  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1973 Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 1-402 of Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1973 Volume) be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

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1-402. Composition of Court.

(a) Number; Chief Judge.

The Court of Special Appeals consists of [ten] TWELVE judges, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor as Chief Judge.

(b) Selection; Terms.

Except as otherwise provided in this section, the judges of the Court of Special Appeals shall be selected, appointed, retained, removed from office, or retired as provided in Article IV of the Constitution with respect to judges of the Court of Appeals. One judge of the Court of Special Appeals shall be a resident respectively of each of the appellate judicial circuits defined in Article IV, §14 of the Constitution, except that two judges shall be residents of the Sixth Appellate Judicial Circuit. When election to judicial office is required by the Constitution, each of these judges shall be elected by the qualified voters of his circuit of residence. [Three] THE REMAINING judges of the Court of Special Appeals may be residents of any part of the State and, when election to judicial office is required by the Constitution, shall be elected by the qualified voters of the entire State. The term of a judge of the Court of Special Appeals begins on the date of his qualification for office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1974.

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