Headnotes	Present Constitution	Constitution of 1867	Constitution of 1864	Constitution of 1851	Constitution of 1776	Amendments to 1776 Constitution
	business or because of the indisposition or disqualification of any judge. And any judge so assigned by the Court of Appeals shall have all the power and authority pertaining to the judge of the court to which he is assigned.					
Appearance before courts in proper person.			Sec. 11. Every person being a citizen of the United States shall be permitted to appear to and try his own case in all the Courts of this State.	**Sec. 31.** Every person of good moral character, being a voter, shall be admitted to practice law in all the courts of law in this State, in his own case.		
Court of Appeals: Organization; jurisdiction; qualifications of judge; term of office; designation of Chief Judge; place and length of session; salary; quorum; concurrence; and reargument.	***Part II. Court of Appeals.*** Sec. 14. The Court of Appeals shall be composed of seven judges, one from the First Appellate Judicial Circuit consisting of Cecil, Kent, Queen Anne's, Caroline, Talbot, Dorchester, Wicomico, Worcester and Somerset counties; one from the Second Appellate Judicial Circuit consisting of Baltimore and Harford counties; one from the Third Appellate Judicial Circuit, consisting of Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery and Washington counties; one from the Fourth Appellate Judicial Circuit, consisting of Prince George's, Calvert, Charles and St. Mary's counties; one from the Fifth Appellate Judicial Circuit, consisting of Anne Arundel, Carroll, and Howard counties; and two from the Sixth Appellate Judicial Circuit consisting of Baltimore City. The Judges of the Court of Appeals shall be residents of and be elected by the qualified voters of their respective Appellate Judicial Circuits. The term	***Part II. Court of Appeals.*** Sec. 14. The Court of Appeals shall be composed of the Chief Judges of the first seven of the several Judicial Circuits of the State, and a Judge from the City of Baltimore specially elected thereto, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, as the Chief Judge: and in all cases, until action by the Senate can be had, the Judge so designated by the Governor, shall act as Chief Judge. The Judge of the Court of Appeals from the City of Baltimore shall be elected by the qualified voters of said City, at the election of Judges to be held therein, as hereinbefore provided; and in addition to his duties, as Judge of the Court of Appeals, shall perform such other duties as the General Assembly shall prescribe. The jurisdiction of said Court of Appeals shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State, and such as now is, or may hereafter be prescribed by	***Part II. Court of Appeals.*** Sec. 17. The Court of Appeals shall consist of a Chief Justice and four Associate Justices, and for their selection the State shall be divided into five Judicial Districts, as follows, viz: Worcester, Somerset, Dorchester, Talbot, Caroline, Queen Anne, Kent and Cecil Counties shall compose the First District; Harford and Baltimore Counties, and the first seven Wards of Baltimore city, shall compose the Second District; Baltimore city, except the first seven Wards, shall compose the Third District; Allegany, Washington, Frederick, Howard and Carroll Counties, shall compose the Fourth District; St. Mary's, Charles, Anne Arundel, Calvert, Prince George's and Montgomery Counties, shall compose the Fifth District, and one of the Justices of the Court of Appeals shall be elected from each of said districts, by the qualified voters of the whole State. The present Chief Justice and Associate Justices of	**Sec. 2.** The Court of Appeals shall have appellate jurisdiction only, which shall be co-extensive with the limits of the State. It shall consist of a chief justice and three associate justices, any three of whom shall form a quorum, whose judgment shall be final and conclusive in all cases of appeals; and who shall have the jurisdiction which the present Court of Appeals of this State now has, and such other appellate jurisdiction as hereafter may be provided for by law. And in every case decided, an opinion, in writing, shall be filed, and provision shall be made, by law, for publishing reports of cases argued and determined in the said court. The Governor, for the time being, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall designate the chief justice, and the Court of Appeals shall hold its sessions at the city of Annapolis, on the first Monday of June, and the first Monday of December, in each and every year.	56. That there be a court of appeals, composed of persons of integrity and sound judgment in the law, whose judgment shall be final and conclusive in all cases of appeal, from the general court, court of chancery, and court of admiralty; That one person of integrity and sound judgment in the law, be appointed chancellor; That three persons of integrity and sound judgment in the law, be appointed judges of the court now called the provincial court; and that the same court be hereafter called and known by the name of *the general court;* which court shall sit on the western and eastern shores for transacting and determining the business of the respective shores, at such times and places as the future legislature of this State shall direct and appoint.	**Proposed by Act of 1804, chapter 55. Ratified 1805.** Sec. 5. There shall be a Court of Appeals, and the same shall be composed of the Chief Judges of the several Judicial Districts of the State, which said Court of Appeals shall hold, use, and exercise, all and singular the powers, authorities and Jurisdictions, heretofore held, used and exercised by the Court of Appeals of this State, and also the appellate Jurisdiction heretofore used and exercised by the General Court, and the said Court of Appeals hereby established shall sit on the Western and Eastern Shores for transacting and determining the business of the respective Shores at such times and places as the future Legislature of this State shall direct and appoint, and any three of the said Judges of the Court of Appeals shall form a Quorum to hear and decide in all cases pending in said Court; and the Judge who has given a decision in any case in the County