

20. The several courts of this State having jurisdiction of crimes and offenses, may, in cases where recognizances to prosecute have been entered into, and before presentment or indictment found, upon the motion of the State's Attorney, with the consent of the parties injured and accused, compromise any assault and battery, the party accused paying the same costs as would have been incurred by the finding a true bill and plea of guilty; *Provided*, such courts shall consider it proper in reference to the peace of the State so to do.

21. The State's Attorney in the several counties and the city of Baltimore, shall aid the Comptroller and Treasurer in the adjustment of the accounts of the clerks, registers and sheriffs of their respective counties and the said city with the State, and shall advise the Comptroller and Treasurer, when required, of such allowance as he ought or ought not to make the accountant for insolvency or non-residence, and for such service and for his professional services in the collection of the revenue, the Comptroller may allow such attorneys five per cent. on all monies sued for and paid into the treasury.

22. The county commissioners of the several counties may in their discretion allow and pay to the State's Attorney in their respective counties, such additional compensation for the trial of criminal cases as they shall deem just and reasonable.

23. Whenever it shall become necessary from the absence, sickness, resignation or death of any State's Attorney, the several courts of this State shall have power to appoint some competent person to perform the duties of State's Attorney in conducting criminal or civil cases depending in such court until a State's Attorney shall be appointed and qualify, or be able to attend and act in person as the case may be, and the person so appointed shall receive the same compensation as the State's Attorney.

#### ATTORNEYS IN FACT.

24. All payments of money, transfers of property or other dealings made or had to or with any person acting under a power of attorney, or other agency duly executed or created by any person within this State, which would be binding upon the party giving such power of attorney or agency if the same was in full force and unrevoked at the time of such payment, transfer or other dealings, shall be equally binding and obligatory upon the