

1 or requirement that judges of the Supreme Court come from  
2 any part of the county, has indicated that judges are  
3 scrupulously selected on a geographic basis. But, more-  
4 over, we only have seven judges on the Court of Appeals,  
5 and under the proposal, the State would be districted by  
6 the Legislature. There is nothing to stop the Legislature  
7 in the newly reapportioned Legislature which could very  
8 well cut the Eastern Shore out from any representation on  
9 the Court of Appeals at all if it saw fit. I think the  
10 probabilities are that if we require districting for the  
11 Appellate Courts, we are going to find that no more than  
12 one judge would come, say from the entire Eastern Shore;  
13 and suppose we have a judge already serving on the Supreme  
14 Court of Maryland from the Eastern Shore, this district-  
15 ing provision would demand that no one else from the  
16 Eastern Shore during his lifetime on the Appellate Bench  
17 could be eligible for selection and has exactly the  
18 opposite effect, that those who fear mandatory districting.  
19 The legislation can district. The Constitution is not by  
20 this provision going to guarantee geographic representation  
21 around the State for all the judges. It is merely going