## WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

### BY adding to

Article Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 8-501 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 5. State Grand Jury"

Annotated Code of Maryland

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

# Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

616 1/2.

- (J) (1) A DISTRICT COURT COMMISSIONER MAY NOT AUTHORIZE THE PRETRIAL RELEASE OF A DEFENDANT CHARGED AS A DRUG KINGPIN UNDER § 286(G) OF THIS ARTICLE.
- (2) A JUDGE MAY ALLOW THE RELEASE OF A DEFENDANT CHARGED AS A DRUG KINGPIN PENDING TRIAL ON SUITABLE BAIL AND ON SUCH OTHER CONDITIONS AS WILL REASONABLY ASSURE THAT THE DEFENDANT WILL NOT FLEE, OR POSE A DANGER TO ANOTHER PERSON OR THE COMMUNITY.
- (3) CONSIDERATION OF PRETRIAL RELEASE FOR A DEFENDANT CHARGED AS A DRUG KINGPIN IS GOVERNED BY THE FOLLOWING:
- (I) A REBUTTABLE PRESUMPTION EXISTS THAT ANY DEFENDANT CHARGED AS A DRUG KINGPIN IF RELEASED WILL FLEE AND POSE A DANGER TO ANOTHER PERSON OR THE COMMUNITY.
- (II) A PERSON CHARGED AS A DRUG KINGPIN MUST PROVE THAT NO DANGER WILL BE POSED BY THE DEFENDANT'S RELEASE INTO THE COMMUNITY AND THAT THE DEFENDANT WILL NOT FLEE.

### Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

### SUBTITLE 5. STATE GRAND JURY

8-501.

- (A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.
  - (2) "PROSECUTOR" MEANS:
- (I) THE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR BALTIMORE CITY OR A COUNTY;
  - (H) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL OF THE STATE: OR