

CHAPTER 278.

AN ACT to authorize and direct the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County to pay the sum of Two Hundred Fifty (\$250) Dollars each to George B. Woelfel and Noah A. Hillman for services rendered to the people of Anne Arundel County in the matter of breaking the election tie vote for the office of County Commissioner of Anne Arundel County, said tie vote resulting from the votes cast for said office at the election held November 6, 1934, the title of the case being Brown vs. Levay in the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County and also authorizing and directing the County Commissioners to pay the costs of said proceedings.

WHEREAS, at the general election held November 6, 1934, a tie vote resulted for the office of County Commissioner for Anne Arundel County, one John J. Levay having received 7512 votes and the other candidate, T. Roland Brown, having received 7512 votes; and

WHEREAS, the Attorney General of Maryland ruled immediately thereafter that under the Constitution and Laws of Maryland pertaining to such cases a special election would have to be held; and

WHEREAS, the office of the Supervisors of Election for Anne Arundel County has declared that the cost of such special election would be in excess of Seven Thousand (\$7000) Dollars; and

WHEREAS, the two candidates (Brown and Levay) secured the services of George B. Woelfel and Noah A. Hillman, members of the Bar of Anne Arundel County, to work out a method of avoiding a special election and thereby save Anne Arundel County the prohibitive cost incident thereto; and

WHEREAS, after consultations and study of the law applicable to such cases, the aforesaid members of the Bar made an amicable agreement between them to have one candidate be plaintiff, the other defendant, in a suit to be filed in the Circuit Court of Anne Arundel County to break the tie vote for the office of County Commissioner which suit was thereupon filed in said Court; and

WHEREAS, it was the understanding of the two candidates that they would not be liable for the cost of retaining counsel to work out the matter of breaking the tie vote; and

WHEREAS, the said George B. Woelfel and Noah A. Hillman succeeded in having the Circuit Court of Anne Arundel