

County (Everstine's 1953 Edition, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as enacted by Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1949), title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Jurors", providing for the selection, drawing, and summoning of jurors for said county.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 916 and 917 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Prince George's County (Everstine's 1953 Edition, being Article 17 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, as enacted by Chapter 79 of the Acts of 1949), title "Prince George's County", sub-title "Jurors", be and the same are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

916. In Prince George's County there shall be procured by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of said county a jury box of convenient size, which shall be divided into as many compartments as there may from time to time be election districts in said county, and which compartments shall be numbered to correspond with the election districts of the county as they now exist, or may be increased or decreased from time to time; that when the names of the persons shall have been selected to serve as jurors by the judge or judges of the Court in the manner prescribed in Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, title "Jurors", the judge or judges may before the convening of the term of Court to which said jurors are to be summoned, of the names so selected choose and appoint one who shall be foreman of the grand jury, and shall cause all the names selected, except the name of the foreman previously chosen, to be placed by said judge or judges in said compartments of said box respectively which bear the numbers of the districts where the persons so selected respectively reside. It shall be the duty of the said judge or judges, when selecting the panel of **[two]** *three* hundred persons as provided for in Section 8 of Article 51 of the Code of Public General Laws, 1951 Edition, to distribute the names of the persons on said panel as nearly equal as may be possible among said compartments. The judge or judges, in addition to the foreman so selected, shall draw from said compartments in all not less than **[seventy-two]** *ninety-two* nor more than **[ninety-two]** *one hundred and twelve* names, and from all of said compartments an equal number of names as near as possible. Provided, that if the foreman so selected should die or for any cause should be disqualified or be excused by the Court, the said judge or judges, after drawing another name from the compartment representing the district in which the foreman originally selected, and so dead, disqualified or excused, resided, may select and appoint any one of the jurors drawn as foreman in place of the foreman so dead, disqualified or excused. The names so drawn shall be duly recorded by the said judge or judges or by the clerk in his or their presence and under his or their direction, in the order in which they shall be drawn. Thereupon forthwith the said judge or judges shall order a venire facias directed to the sheriff of the county, commanding him to summon as jurors to attend at the next ensuing term of said Court the several persons whose names may be drawn as aforesaid; and if any such persons whose names are so drawn and are embraced in said venire facias shall be dead, sick or otherwise unable to attend, or shall be absent and therefore not to be found, it shall be the duty of