SEC. 3. And be it further enacted, That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote, supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly of Maryland, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 29, 1955.

CHAPTER 155

(House Bill 412)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 30 of Article 10 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact", sub-title "Who May Not Practice Law", prohibiting certain County officials from practicing law in Prince George's County during their terms of office.

SECTION 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 30 of Article 10 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact", subtitle "Who May Not Practice Law", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

30. It shall be unlawful for any Sheriff or Deputy Sheriff, Warden or Keeper of any Jail or any of his deputies, or any Register of Wills or Clerk of any Court or Deputy Register or Clerk, or Assistant Clerk, appointee or employee of any Register of Wills or Clerk of any Court or Judge of the Orphans' Court of Montgomery County or of Prince George's County, during the term of his office or employment, and whether duly admitted to the practice of law or not, directly or indirectly, to provide, prepare or assist in the preparation of any paper, form, instrument or document to be filled in or affecting or pertaining to any cause, cause of action, proceeding or matter pending or which may thereafter come before any Court of Record of said Montgomery County, or of said Prince George's County, or to give any advice with reference thereto, whether for any fee, gratuity, gift or reward or not, except in any such cause, cause of action, proceeding or matter in which he is a party or in the result of which he has a property interest; the doing of any of the acts made unlawful by this section shall be deemed to be practicing law; provided, however, that the performance of any positive duty imposed by law upon any of the persons hereinabove named shall not constitute a violation of the terms of this section [.]; and provided further, that nothing in this section shall apply to or affect the settlement of small estates in the Orphans' Court of Prince's PRINCE GEORGE'S County as set forth in Sections 156 and 157 of Article 93 of this Code.

EXPLANATION: Italics indicate new matter added to existing law.

[Brackets] indicate matter stricken from existing law.

CAPITALS indicate amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken out of bill.