

"Anne Arundel County", to follow immediately after Section 382 thereof and to be under the new sub-title "Law Department", ~~creating~~ AUTHORIZING THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY TO CREATE a Law Department for Anne Arundel County, setting forth the positions created, office staff, powers and duties, salaries and other matters generally related thereto.

SECTION. 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 382A to 382J, inclusive, be and it is hereby added to the Code of Public Local Laws of Anne Arundel County (1947 Edition, being Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Anne Arundel County", to follow immediately after Section 382 thereof, to be under the new sub-title "Law Department", and to read as follows:

LAW DEPARTMENT

382A. *There is hereby created and established* THE BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF ANNE ARUNDEL COUNTY IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CREATE AND ESTABLISH AFTER JUNE 1, 1960, a *Department of Law for Anne Arundel County.* IF SUCH A DEPARTMENT IS CREATED AND ESTABLISHED, IT SHALL HAVE THE ORGANIZATION AND FUNCTIONS SPECIFIED IN THIS SUB-TITLE.

382B. *The head of the Department of Law shall be the County Solicitor, to be appointed by and to hold office at the pleasure of the Commissioners of Anne Arundel County. He shall be a resident of the County and a member in good standing of the Bar of the Court of Appeals of Maryland and of the Circuit Court for Anne Arundel County, and shall have been actively engaged in the general practice of his profession in Anne Arundel County for at least five years prior to his appointment. He shall maintain the offices of the Department of Law in Annapolis.*

382C. *The County Solicitor shall be the legal adviser and legislative draftsman of the County and of its various Officials, Departments, Commissions, Boards and Agencies, including the County Commissioners, the County Manager, the Planning Administrator, the Planning and Zoning Commission, the Board of Zoning Appeals, the Department of Public Works, the County Treasurer, the County Welfare Department, the County Health Department, the County Recreation Department, the County Assessor, the Board of Police Examiners, and all other Officials, Departments, Boards, Commissions and Agencies, and he shall have general supervision and direction of the legal business thereof. He shall not be the legal advisor of the Boards of Education, Supervisors of Elections or License Commissioners. He shall upon request give advice and opinions upon any legal questions affecting the interests of the County when the same are submitted to him by way of memorandum by any County Officer or the head of any County Department, Office, Board, Commission or Agency. All deeds, bonds, contracts, releases, agreements, advertisements for bids and other legal papers, documents and instruments involving the interests of the County or to be executed and approved by any Officer of the County shall be submitted to the County Solicitor before they are approved or executed, and they must*