- (2) Whenever a vacancy shall occur in said Court (other than in an original term or other than upon expiration of a term), for any cause, the Governor shall appoint to said Court a Judge who shall hold office under such appointment until the thirty-first day of December immediately following the first Congressional election occurring at least one year after the date of his appointment.
- (3) In order to qualify for election or re-election a candidate shall file a certificate of candidacy with the Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City not later than midnight of the day which is ten weeks or seventy days prior to the day on which the primary election should be held.
- (4) The names of all candidates for judge of the Municipal Court created herein shall be placed in the voting machines without any party label or other distinguishing mark or location which might directly or indirectly indicate the party affiliation of any such candidate.
- (5) When a vacancy shall exist in the Chief Judgeship of said Court, the Governor may designate an Associate Judge of said Court as Chief Judge, and such appointee as Chief Judge shall continue as such for the residue of the term for which he was originally appointed or subsequently elected an Associate Judge of said Court; or the Governor may designate as Chief Judge the person appointed to fill the vacancy on said Court under sub-section (b) (2) herein.
- (c) The jurisdiction of said Court shall consist originally of the jurisdiction vested on the day immediately preceding the first Monday of May, 1961, in the Justices of the Peace of Baltimore City, including the Police Magistrates, the Chief Police Magistrate of Baltimore City, the Magistrates-at-Large of Baltimore City, and the Traffic Court of Baltimore City, and thereafter shall consist of such greater or lesser jurisdiction (which may be made exclusive as to any class or classes of cases), with such right of appeal therefrom, as the General Assembly shall prescribe from time to time by law. The Chief Judge and the Associate Judges thereof shall have such powers and duties as the General Assembly shall prescribe from time to time by law. The Judges of said Court shall have full power to regulate by rules the administration, procedure and practice of said Court, including, but not limited to, the creation of divisions of said Court to hear exclusively any class or classes of cases and the assignment of a particular judge or judges exclusively to such divisions and the vesting of administrative duties in the Chief Judge; such rules shall have the force of law until rescinded or modified by said Judges or the General Assembly. Unless otherwise provided by law, all powers granted by this section or by law to said Court or the Judges thereof as a body may be exercised by a majority of the Judges thereof. Said Court shall not be a Court of Record.
- (d) There shall be a Chief Clerk of said Court who shall be appointed by said Court and who shall perform such duties as may be prescribed from time to time by said Court or by law by the General Assembly. He shall be paid such compensation from such sources as the General Assembly shall prescribe from time to time by law. There shall be such deputy and assistant clerks, clerical, probationary, stenographic and other employees as may be prescribed from time to time by the General Assembly by law and such law shall prescribe the method of selection, amount and manner of com-