

CONSTITUTIONAL CONVENTION OF MARYLAND

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of the applicable election a certificate of candidacy in a form to be supplied by the Supervisors.

Unless his office shall have been abolished pursuant to this section, each Judge of said Court shall continue to hold office after the expiration of his period of appointment or term until a successor shall qualify. As used in this section, "Congressional election" means any of the biennial elections at which members of the House of Representatives are regularly chosen.

Sec. 41B. The General Assembly shall have power by Law to establish a People's Court in any county, or any part thereof, incorporated city or town in this State, except Baltimore City, and to prescribe and from time to time to alter (1) the number, qualifications, tenure, and method of selection of the Judges of any such Court, and their powers, duties and compensation, except that the term of office or compensation of any Judge shall not be reduced during his continuance in office; . . .

Sec. 41C. (b) The Governor shall appoint to said Court, to take office on the first Monday of May, 1961, four Associate Judges for a term expiring December 31, 1962; four Associate Judges for a term expiring December 31, 1964; and three Associate Judges, one of whom shall be designated Chief Judge, for a term expiring December 31, 1966; and upon the creation of any additional office in said Court by increase in the number of Judges pursuant to this section, the Governor shall appoint an Associate Judge for a term expiring on the thirty-first day of December in the year of the first biennial general election for Representatives in Congress after one year from the effective date of the legislation creating the additional office. If any vacancy occurs during any such original term, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve for the remainder of such term. After the expiration of said original terms, the terms of office of said Court shall be for ten years from the expiration of the preceding term, and shall be filled as follows:

(1) Any qualified person, including an incumbent Judge holding office by any such initial or subsequent appointment or election, shall be eligible for election for a term of ten years, at the biennial election for Representatives in Congress immediately preceding the expiration of a term of office.