

to be made, shall, when made, have the force of Law, until rescinded, changed, or modified by the said Judges, or the General Assembly.

18A. *The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals shall be the administrative head of the judicial system of the State. He shall from time to time require, from each of the judges of the Circuit Courts for the several counties and of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and of any intermediate courts of appeal, reports as to the judicial work and business of each of the judges and their respective courts. He may, in case of a vacancy or of illness, disqualification or other absence of one or more judges of the Court of Appeals or of any intermediate courts of appeal designate, or for the purpose of relieving an accumulation of business as to the Court of Appeals, any judge of any of the circuit courts for the counties or of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City or of any intermediate courts of appeal, and as to any intermediate courts of appeal, any judge of the Court of Appeals or any judge of any of the said circuit courts or of any court or courts of Baltimore City, to sit in any case or for a specified period as a judge of any of the said courts in lieu of a judge of any of these courts. He may designate, to sit as a judge of the Circuit Court for any county or of any Court or Courts of Baltimore City, either alone or with one or more judges, in any case or for a specified period, any judge of the Court of Appeals or of any intermediate courts of appeal or of any other Circuit Court or of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City. Any judge so assigned by the Chief Judge shall have all the power and authority pertaining to the judge of the court to which he is assigned. In the absence of the Chief Judge of the Court* MAY, IN CASE OF A VACANCY OR OF THE ILLNESS, DISQUALIFICATION OR OTHER ABSENCE OF ANY JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OR OF ANY INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEAL, OR FOR THE PURPOSE OF RELIEVING AN ACCUMULATION OF BUSINESS IN ANY OF SAID COURTS, DESIGNATE AND ASSIGN ANY JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS (IF THE ASSIGNMENT IS TO BE MADE TO AN INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEAL), ANY JUDGE OF ANY INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEAL (OTHER THAN THAT TO WHICH THE ASSIGNMENT IS TO BE MADE), ANY JUDGE OF ANY OF THE CIRCUIT COURTS FOR THE COUNTIES, OR ANY JUDGE OF THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY TO SIT IN ANY CASE OR CASES OR FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD AS A JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OR OF ANY INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEAL (AS THE CASE MAY BE) IN LIEU OF A JUDGE OF SUCH COURT. THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS ALSO MAY DESIGNATE AND ASSIGN, TO SIT AS A JUDGE OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR ANY COUNTY OR THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY AND OF ANY OTHER COURT OR COURTS OF BALTIMORE CITY WHICH MAY BE HELD BY A JUDGE OF SAID SUPREME BENCH, EITHER ALONE OR WITH ONE OR MORE OTHER JUDGES, IN ANY CASE OR CASES OR FOR A SPECIFIED PERIOD, ANY JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS OR OF ANY INTERMEDIATE COURT OF APPEAL OR OF ANY OTHER CIRCUIT COURT OR OF THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY. ANY JUDGE DESIGNATED AND ASSIGNED BY THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION SHALL HAVE ALL THE POWER AND AUTHORITY PERTAIN-