

CHAPTER 247  
(House Bill 465)

AN ACT to transfer and codify Sections 14A-1 through 14A-15, inclusive, of the Anne Arundel County Code (being Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Anne Arundel County," as last amended by Chapter 183 of the Acts of 1967, to be in their present sequence under Section 98B of Article 52 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume and 1967 Cumulative Supplement), and relating generally to the People's Court of Anne Arundel County.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 14A-1 through 14A-15 inclusive of the Anne Arundel County Code (being Article 2 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Anne Arundel County," as last amended by Chapter 183 of the Acts of 1967 be and they are hereby transferred and codified to read as follows:

98B.

(1) There is hereby created a People's Court of Anne Arundel County. Said Court shall consist of four (4) Judges. The number of such Judges may be increased or decreased by the General Assembly by law, but no such decrease shall affect the term of any Judge then in office.

(2) ~~(a)~~ No person shall be qualified to stand for election or to hold the office of Judge of the People's Court of Anne Arundel County unless he possesses the following qualifications:

~~(b)~~ (A) He is at least thirty (30) years of age and less than seventy (70) years of age, and

~~(c)~~ (B) A member of the Bar of the State of Maryland and an active practitioner in Anne Arundel County for at least five (5) years, and

~~(d)~~ (C) A resident of Anne Arundel County continuously for at least five (5) years immediately prior to his appointment or election, and

~~(e)~~ (D) Is distinguished for integrity, wisdom and sound legal knowledge.

(3) The Governor shall appoint the judges of the Court from a list of not more than six (6) qualified persons nominated by a Committee within fifteen (15) days from the effective date of this act, which committee shall select its own Chairman, and which committee shall consist of the following persons:

(a) The State Senators from Senatorial District Nos. 6A, 6B and 6C of Anne Arundel County.

(b) Chairman of the Anne Arundel County Delegation in the House of Delegates.

(c) The duly elected vice-president of the Fifth Judicial Circuit of the Maryland State Bar Association.