

## 4. (4)

(a) The Judges appointed originally to said Court shall take office on January 1, 1964, for terms expiring respectively on December 31, 1969, December 31, 1970, December 31, 1971, and December 31, 1972. In making said appointments the Governor shall designate the term for which each Judge is appointed. If any vacancy shall occur during the original term, the Governor shall appoint a successor to serve for the remainder of such term.

(b) After the expiration of the original terms, the term of office of the Judges of the Court shall be ten (10) years from the expiration of the preceding term and shall be filled as follows:

~~(1)~~ (I) Any incumbent Judge of the Court, or any other qualified person, shall be eligible, at the Congressional election immediately preceding the expiration of the term, for election or re-election for a full term of ten (10) years.

~~(2)~~ (II) In order to qualify for election or re-election, there shall be filed with the Supervisors of Elections of Anne Arundel County, not later than thirty (30) days before the date of the applicable election, a certificate signed and duly acknowledged, stating the basis of the eligibility and the term which is to be filled by election. Thereupon the names of the persons so filing, together with a statement of the term for which they are eligible shall be placed upon the ballot to be used in such election, with no party designation whatever.

(c) Unless his office shall have been abolished pursuant to this ~~sub~~title SUBSECTION, each Judge of the Court shall continue to hold office after the expiration of his term until a successor shall qualify.

(d) Upon the creation of any additional office on the Court by increase in the number of Judges pursuant to this ~~sub~~title SUBSECTION, the Governor shall appoint a qualified person from a list of not more than three (3) persons nominated by the Committee provided for in Section ~~14A-3~~ 98(B) (3) herein, for a term as the law creating such office shall provide.

(E) WHENEVER A VACANCY SHALL OCCUR ON THE COURT FROM ANY CAUSE, THE GOVERNOR SHALL APPOINT A QUALIFIED PERSON, FROM A LIST OF NOT MORE THAN THREE (3) PERSONS NOMINATED BY THE COMMITTEE PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 98B(3) HEREIN, SUCH NOMINATIONS TO BE MADE WITHIN FIFTEEN (15) DAYS FROM THE DATE OF SUCH VACANCY. THE NOMINEE SO APPOINTED BY THE GOVERNOR SHALL HOLD OFFICE AS JUDGE FOR THE BALANCE OF THE UNEXPIRED TERM TO WHICH HE HAS BEEN APPOINTED AND UNTIL HIS SUCCESSOR SHALL HAVE BEEN SELECTED AND QUALIFIED.

(F) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE TERM "CONGRESSIONAL ELECTION" SHALL MEAN ANY OF THE BIENNIAL ELECTIONS AT WHICH MEMBERS OF THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES ARE REGULARLY CHOSEN.

## 5. (5)

(a) The Governor shall designate one of the Judges of Said Court as Chief Judge and Administrative Officer who shall receive