

*The court, or the justice of the peace or trial magistrate in which the action is pending may order continuances as necessary to afford the defendant a reasonable opportunity to defend the action.*

*The fee of \$2.00 paid by the plaintiff to the Secretary of State at the time of service shall be taxed in the costs of the proceedings, and the Secretary of State shall keep a record of all processes which shall show the day and hour of service, and he shall account for all funds so coming into his hands for these services, to the proper officer or department of this State.*

*(f) The provisions of this section shall apply in any action or proceeding against the personal representative, executor, administrator, committee, or otherwise, of a nonresident when the action or proceeding arises out of any accident or collision in which the nonresident may have been involved.*

*(g) The following form of notice, to the defendant, shall be sufficient:*

To \_\_\_\_\_, Defendant. You are hereby notified that suit has been filed against you by \_\_\_\_\_ Plaintiff, in the \_\_\_\_\_ Court \_\_\_\_\_ State of Maryland, or before a Justice of the Peace or Trial Magistrate, in the \_\_\_\_\_ election district of \_\_\_\_\_ County, Maryland (or before the Justice of the Peace or Trial Magistrate at large for said County or in the People's Court of Baltimore City), to recover cause of action or tittling attached hereto; and that service of process against you has been made by leaving a copy of the process in the hands of the Secretary of the State of Maryland, or in his office; and that you must plead to this declaration, cause of action, or tittling within sixty days from the date of delivery noted upon your return receipt to this letter, or else judgment by default may be entered against you.

*(h) A resident of Maryland who is involved in an accident in this State, and who removes himself to another state within 3 years of the accident, thereby appoints the Secretary of State of Maryland his agent and may be sued by substituted service of process on the Secretary of State as in the case of a nonresident, as heretofore provided by this part.*

#### Subtitle 10

#### Accidents and Accident Reports

§ 10-101. *Provisions of subtitle apply throughout State.*

*The provisions of this subtitle shall apply upon highways and elsewhere throughout the state.*

§ 10-102. *Accidents involving death or personal injury.*

*(a) The driver of any vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person shall immediately stop the vehicle at the scene of the accident or as close thereto as possible but shall then forthwith return to and in every event shall remain at the scene of the accident until he has fulfilled the requirements of section 10-104. Every stop shall be made without obstructing traffic more than necessary.*