

*full penalty amount and by depositing with the clerk of the Court or a Commissioner a sum of money equal to 10% of the penalty amount or \$25, whichever is greater. A judge may increase the percentage of cash surety required in a particular case but in no event shall a cash deposit be less than \$25.00. This paragraph does not apply if the defendant has been arrested for failure to appear in court or for contempt of court.*

*(iii) Upon depositing the sum provided in paragraph (ii) hereof and executing the recognizance, the defendant shall be released from custody subject to the conditions of the bail bond. When all conditions of the bond have been performed without default and the defendant has been discharged from all obligations in the cause for which the recognizance was posted, the clerk of the court shall return the amount deposited to the person or private surety who first deposited it.*

*(iv) If the defendant fails to perform any or all of the conditions of the bail bond, it shall be forfeited; and in the event of forfeiture, the liability of the bond shall extend to the full amount of the bond set and the amount previously posted as a deposit shall be applied to reduce the liability incurred by the forfeiture.*

*(v) In all cases every District Court judge shall have the discretionary power to strike out the forfeiture of bond or collateral if the defendant can show reasonable grounds for his non-appearance.*

(7) Writs. Every District Court judge shall have the power to issue writs of habeas corpus ad testificandum, writs of habeas corpus ad prosequendum, and writs of error coram nobis.

(8) Appointment of Counsel. Every District Court judge shall have the power to appoint counsel to represent indigent defendants within the jurisdiction of the court and shall have the authority to grant fees to said attorneys as prescribed by law or rule, which shall be paid by the State of Maryland.

(9) Alcoholics and Mental Cases. Every District Court judge shall have the power and authority to commit persons suffering from acute or chronic alcoholism or who are habitually addicted to narcotic drugs, to one of the State hospitals for evaluation, treatment and observation under such terms and conditions as he may determine, and every District Court shall be held to be included within the term "court" as used in Article 59 59, subtitle "Insanity as a Defense in Criminal Cases" of the Annotated Code of Maryland, 1957 Edition, as amended; and each judge of the District Court shall have the same power and authority exercised by any judge of the circuit court for the purposes set forth in those sections, including the determination of competency to stand trial of any person charged with the commission of any crime within the jurisdiction of the court.

(10) Sentencing. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, every District Court judge shall have the power in those cases described in paragraphs (b) (1) and (b) (2) of this Section 145 [144] to sentence any defendant to confinement for the period or periods of time prescribed by law or by the statute or ordinance creating the offense, and to impose any fine authorized by law or by said statute or ordinance.