

provided, that the following notice shall be given in the summons issued in such case: "The defendant is hereby notified that judgment by default may be entered against him unless he shall file an affidavit of defense with the Justice of the Peace before whom this summons is returnable within six days next succeeding the return day named herein, or such additional time as may be fixed by said Justice of the Peace." And where the defendant shall have acknowledged in his affidavit of defense his liability for a part of the plaintiff's claim as aforesaid, the plaintiff, if he so elect, may have judgment entered in his favor for the amount so confessed to be due. After taking such final judgment for the amount so confessed, the plaintiff shall have the right to prosecute the remainder of his claim in that suit, and and (if he sustains his claim for such remainder or any part thereof) to have a further final judgment therefor. The provisions of this section shall not apply in Baltimore City.】

SECTION 37. *And be it further enacted*, That Sections 2, 5, 10(a), and 12(a) of Article 36 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1971 Supplement), title, "Fees of Officers," subtitles, "Accounts," "Execution For Fees," "Attorneys," and "Clerks of Court," respectively, be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

§ 2. Approval by judges of circuit courts; criminal cases where jurisdiction is in the District Court; counties to which applicable.

【No account for officers' fees by any of the several officers herein named, rendered for services to or in behalf of the counties of this State in this section named, shall be allowed by the county commissioners thereof until said account has been submitted to and approved by the judges of the circuit court for said county or a majority thereof; and n】~~o charges~~ CHARGE for officers' fees shall be paid or allowed by the county commissioners aforesaid in any criminal case where jurisdiction to try, hear and determine the matter charged against the party accused has been conferred by law upon 【justices of the peace】 *the District Court*, but the county commissioners may levy or pay to the officers performing service in such cases such compensation as they in their discretion may deem right and proper. This section shall apply only to the counties of Caroline, Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot, Prince George's, Charles and Harford.

§ 5. Receiving or demanding fees already paid.

If any officer shall, by himself or his deputies, agents or clerks, ask, receive or demand any fees herein allowed, after the same have been paid, he shall for each offense forfeit and pay ten dollars, to be recovered before a 【justice of the peace】 *court* as small debts 【, one half to the use of the informer, and the other half for the State】; and shall, in addition, return to the party the fees so improperly received.

§ 10. Enumeration; disposition of appearance fees in Harford County.

(a) EXCEPT IN THE DISTRICT COURT, ~~Attorneys~~ ATTORNEYS at law shall be entitled to demand and receive the following fees, to wit: