

(B) PREPARATION OF ORDER; PORTIONS OF RECORDS.

THE CERTIFICATION ORDER SHALL BE PREPARED BY THE CERTIFYING COURT, SIGNED BY THE JUDGE PRESIDING AT THE HEARING, AND FORWARDED TO THE COURT OF APPEALS BY THE CLERK OF THE CERTIFYING COURT UNDER ITS OFFICIAL SEAL. THE COURT OF APPEALS MAY REQUIRE THE ORIGINAL OR COPIES OF ALL OR ANY PORTION OF THE RECORD BEFORE THE CERTIFYING COURT TO BE FILED WITH THE CERTIFICATION ORDER, IF IN THE OPINION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS THE RECORD OR PORTION OF IT MAY BE NECESSARY IN ANSWERING THE QUESTION.

SEC. 12-604. FEES AND COSTS.

FEES AND COSTS SHALL BE THE SAME AS IN A CIVIL APPEAL DOCKETED IN THE COURT OF APPEALS AND BE EQUALLY DIVIDED BETWEEN THE PARTIES UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE CERTIFYING COURT IN ITS ORDER OF CERTIFICATION.

SEC. 12-605. PROCEDURE IN COURT OF APPEALS.

PROCEEDINGS IN THE COURT OF APPEALS SHALL BE AS PROVIDED IN THE MARYLAND RULES OF PROCEDURE.

SEC. 12-606. OPINION OF COURT OF APPEALS.

THE WRITTEN OPINION OF THE COURT OF APPEALS STATING THE LAW GOVERNING THE QUESTION CERTIFIED SHALL BE SENT BY THE CLERK UNDER THE SEAL OF THE COURT OF APPEALS TO THE CERTIFYING COURT AND TO THE PARTIES.

SEC. 12-607. CERTIFICATION OF QUESTION TO ANOTHER STATE.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE COURT OF APPEALS OR THE COURT OF SPECIAL APPEALS OF THIS STATE, ON ITS OR THEIR OWN MOTION OR THE MOTION OF ANY PARTY, MAY ORDER CERTIFICATION OF A QUESTION OF LAW TO THE HIGHEST APPELLATE COURT OR THE INTERMEDIATE APPELLATE COURT OF ANY OTHER STATE IF IT APPEARS TO THE CERTIFYING COURT THERE IS INVOLVED IN ANY PROCEEDING BEFORE THE COURT A QUESTION OF LAW OF THE RECEIVING STATE WHICH MAY BE DETERMINATIVE OF THE CAUSE THEN PENDING IN THE CERTIFYING COURT AND IT APPEARS TO THE CERTIFYING COURT THAT THERE ARE NO CONTROLLING PRECEDENTS IN THE DECISIONS OF THE HIGHEST COURT OR INTERMEDIATE APPELLATE COURTS OF THE RECEIVING STATE.