

MAY APPOINT A STENOGRAPHER TO TAKE AND SUBSCRIBE THE TESTIMONY GIVEN BEFORE THE GRAND JURY FOR THE EXCLUSIVE USE AND BENEFIT OF THE GRAND JURY AND THE STATE'S ATTORNEY OF THE COUNTY UNLESS OTHERWISE ORDERED BY THE COURT.

(B) OATH AND PENALTY.

(1) ANY STENOGRAPHER APPOINTED TO RECORD TESTIMONY BEFORE A GRAND JURY SHALL TAKE AND SUBSCRIBE AN OATH THAT HE WILL KEEP SECRET ALL MATTERS AND THINGS OCCURRING BEFORE THE GRAND JURY.

(2) A STENOGRAPHER WHO VIOLATES THE OATH OF SECRECY IS GUILTY OF A MISDEMEANOR AND IS SUBJECT TO A FINE OF \$1,000 OR IMPRISONMENT FOR NOT MORE THAN ONE YEAR, OR BOTH.

(C) ATTENDANCE AT SESSIONS.

A STENOGRAPHER APPOINTED UNDER THIS SECTION MAY BE PRESENT AT THE SESSIONS OF THE GRAND JURY.

(D) COMPENSATION.

THE STENOGRAPHER SHALL RECEIVE THE COMPENSATION SET BY THE JUDGES OF THE COURT. IF THE STENOGRAPHER SERVES IN MORE THAN ONE COUNTY, HIS SALARY SHALL BE SHARED BY THE COUNTIES IN WHICH HE SERVES IN PROPORTION AS AGREED BY THE ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGES OF THE COUNTIES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived from Art. 26, §§ 39 - 42 which are proposed for repeal. Subsection (a) is derived from §§ 39 and 39A. Subsection (b) (1) is derived from §40. Subsection (b) (2) is derived from §42. Subsection (c) is derived from §41. Subsection (d) is the salary provision of §39. These sections originally applied to only Calvert, Charles, St. Mary's, and Talbot Counties, however, it is broadened to authorize grand jury stenographers in all counties, since most counties have such stenographers.

SEC. 2-504. COMPENSATION OF CLERK.

(A) IN GENERAL.

THE CLERK OF [[THE]] CIRCUIT COURT OF A COUNTY OR