

THE ~~[[COURTS]]~~ A COURT OF THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY SHALL RECEIVE AN ANNUAL SALARY OF NOT LESS THAN \$10,000 OR MORE THAN \$25,000 AS SET BY THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS ON THE BASIS OF THE RELATIVE VOLUME OF BUSINESS AND RECEIPTS IN HIS OFFICE, PROVIDED THAT IN BALTIMORE CITY A CLERK'S SALARY MAY NOT BE LESS THAN \$12,000.

(B) OTHER COMPENSATION PROHIBITED.

A CLERK SHALL DEVOTE HIS FULL WORKING TIME TO THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE AND IS ENTITLED TO THE SALARY FIXED AND NO MORE.

(C) MANNER OF PAYMENT.

(1) THE SALARY OF A CLERK IS PAYABLE BI-WEEKLY FROM THE FEES, RECEIPTS, AND EMOLUMENTS OF HIS OFFICE AFTER DEDUCTING THE NECESSARY EXPENSES OF THE OFFICE.

(2) IF THE FEES AND RECEIPTS OF THE OFFICE ARE INSUFFICIENT TO PAY THE SALARY OF THE CLERK THE DEFICIENCY SHALL BE PAID BY THE COMPTROLLER FROM FUNDS PROVIDED FOR THAT PURPOSE IN THE STATE BUDGET.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived from Art. 17, §23, as amended by S.B. 117, Ch. 212, Acts of 1973, which increased the minimum and maximum salaries of the clerks of the circuit courts. The increase in salary is effective with the next term of office in accordance with Art. III, §35 of the Maryland Constitution. Until that time, the minimum salary is \$6,000 (\$12,000 in Baltimore City) and the maximum is \$20,000. The payment period for salaries is changed from semi-monthly to bi-weekly to conform with practice.

SEC. 2-505. COMPENSATION OF EMPLOYEES OF CLERK.

(A) IN GENERAL.

ON APPLICATION OF THE CLERK OF A CIRCUIT COURT OR A COURT OF THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY OR ON HIS OWN INITIATIVE, THE COMPTROLLER MAY SET THE COMPENSATION OF AN EMPLOYEE OF THE CLERK'S OFFICE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SECTION.

(B) INCREMENTS.