

State's Attorney. The annual salary of the administrative assistant shall be within the discretion of the State's Attorney, but in no event exceeding [\$18,380] \$19,677 \$19,115 per annum, to be paid by the county on the certification of the State's Attorney to the county executive and County Council. The administrative assistant is not subject to the rules and regulations of the county merit system, but shall be entitled to all benefits provided for county employees under the merit system.

(9) The salary of the State's Attorney, the deputy State's attorney, principal assistant State's attorney, and the assistant State's attorneys shall be paid in equal semimonthly installments.

~~(10)-(1) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PROVISIONS OF PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, AND EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBPARAGRAPH (II) OF THIS PARAGRAPH, UNTIL JANUARY 1, 1987, THE STATE'S ATTORNEY MAY ENGAGE IN THE PRIVATE PRACTICE OF LAW.~~

~~(11) EXCEPT WITHIN THE PERFORMANCE OF HIS DUTIES AS STATE'S ATTORNEY, THE STATE'S ATTORNEY MAY NOT~~

~~1. APPEAR AS COUNSEL OR REPRESENT ANY PARTY PROFESSIONALLY BEFORE ANY COURT, BOARD, COMMISSION, OR AGENCY OF THIS STATE OR ANY COUNTY, BALTIMORE CITY, BICOUNTY OR MULTICOUNTY AGENCY, OR MUNICIPAL CORPORATION IN THIS STATE, OR~~

~~2. ENGAGE IN THE PRIVATE PRACTICE OF CRIMINAL LAW.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That if any provision of this Act or the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason, the invalidity shall not affect the other provisions or any other application of this Act which can be given effect without the invalid provisions or application, and to this end all the provisions of this Act are declared to be severable.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary of the State's Attorney for Prince George's County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary of the State's Attorney for Prince George's County shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 2 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

Approved May 19, 1981.
