charging him with the offense of desertion and failing to support his wife, or against the parent under investigation charging him or her with the offense of desertion and failing to support his or her minor child, as the facts may warrant.

91.

The State's attorney is hereby empowered for the purpose of facilitating the handling of such cases, to issue subpoenas and summonses requiring the personal attendance of any and all persons other than the accused in connection with the said examination or inquiry, to be and appear before the said State's attorney, deputy State's attorney or any assistant State's attorney, as well as to produce any and all documentary matter in connection with the said examination or inquiry. And the State's attorney, deputy State's attorney or any assistant State's attorney, may in addition thereto, and the power and authority is hereby granted, administer oaths and affirmations, examine witnesses and receive evidence. In case of disobedience to a subpoena or summons, or the contumacy of a witness appearing before the State's attorney, deputy State's attorney or any assistant State's attorney, the State's attorney may invoke the aid of the [Criminal] CIRCUIT Court [of] FOR Baltimore CITY. Such court may thereupon issue an order requiring the person subpoenaed to obey the subpoena and to give evidence and to produce any and all documentary matter deemed necessary by said court touching upon the said matter under investigation or inquiry. In case of a failure or refusal of any person, firm or corporation to obey the order of the court after the report by the State's attorney to the court and the issuance of the order by the court, the service of same upon the witness, such person, firm or corporation so disobeying or refusing shall be deemed in contempt of court and punishable as such, subject to the right of appeal as now provided or hereafter regulated.

93.

- (A) For the purpose of record of all orders imposed by the court under the provisions of this section, that the clerk of the [Criminal] CIRCUIT Court [of] FOR Baltimore CITY, keep and maintain a docket known as "Domestic Information Docket," in which said docket shall be kept all records and orders pertaining to each individual complaint.
- (B) The same pleading and practice and all provisions of law now applicable to indictments and governing the trial or issues thereon shall be applicable, so far as practicable, to information filed under this subtitle by the State's attorney.

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