

In subsection (e)(2) of this section, the former minimum penalty is deleted to conform to the statement of legislative policy contained in Article 27, § 643, which sets forth the general rule that, notwithstanding a prescribed minimum penalty, the court nevertheless may impose a lesser penalty of the same character.

In subsection (f) of this section, the former phrase "or other clerks" is deleted as unnecessary.

Also as to subsection (f) of this section, Ch. 406, Acts of 1963, which enacted former Article 62, § 3A, provided that in a county in which there was a single resident circuit court judge, that judge would make the required designations. In a county in which there were 2 or more resident circuit court judges, the senior judge in length of service would make the designations. However, in 1963, some counties had no resident circuit court judge. In those counties, there could be neither a resident judge nor a resident senior judge, so there was no one who could make the designation. Chapter 10, Acts of 1964, which enacted former Article 62, § 3A(d), was an attempt to remedy that problem. CJ § 1-503 requires that a certain number of judges serving on each circuit court be residents of that county. In fact, all the judges of each circuit court are residents of those counties. The present system of circuit and county administrative judges, embodied in Maryland Rule 1200, was established in 1967 by a Court of Appeals administrative and procedural regulation. Because of the substitution of "county administrative judge" for "resident judge" or "senior judge" in subsections (a)(3) and (f) of this section, the statute as revised provides a uniform and up-to-date description of those judges who may designate deputy clerks to perform marriage ceremonies and who may designate the times and form of ceremonies performed by clerks and deputy clerks.

Defined terms: "Authorized official" § 2-101
 "Clerk" § 2-101 "County" § 1-101
 "License" § 2-101

2-407. FALSE STATEMENTS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT KNOWINGLY MAKE ANY MATERIAL FALSE STATEMENT TO OBTAIN OR TO HELP ANOTHER INDIVIDUAL TO OBTAIN A LICENSE OR MARRIAGE CEREMONY IN VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE OR OF ANY ORDER OF COURT UNDER § 2-405 OF THIS SUBTITLE.