

The Court shall adopt a seal, and the principal office of the Court shall be in the City of Baltimore at such place as the Board of Public Works shall, from time to time, select and determine. The Court shall be supplied with all necessary books, maps, charts, stationery, office furniture, telephone and telegraph connections, and all necessary appliances and incidentals, to be paid for out of the funds provided for expenses of the Court in the State budget. THE COURT SHALL BE IN SESSION AS SET FORTH IN THE MARYLAND RULES OF PROCEDURE. The offices of the Court shall be open for business { during such hours as the Governor shall order and designate and at such other times as the Court shall deem necessary, and one } AS SET FORTH IN THE MARYLAND RULES OF PROCEDURE. ONE or more responsible persons to be designated by the Court or the clerk under the direction of the Court, shall be on duty at all such times in immediate charge thereof.

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{ A majority of the members of the Court shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business, for the performance of any duty or for the exercise of any power of the Court. } EACH JUDGE SHALL SIT AND RENDER JUDGMENTS SEPARATELY. The Court { is empowered and directed to } SHALL sit for the hearing of matters within its jurisdiction in Baltimore City and each of the county seats from time to time as may be necessary. The determination of any matter brought before the Court shall be evidenced by a judgment or order duly signed by one of the judges and filed with its clerk. A copy { thereof } OF THE JUDGMENT OR ORDER, duly certified by { said } THE clerk, under the seal of the Court, { shall be } IS evidence in any cause or proceeding in any court of this State.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Judges appointed to the newly constituted Maryland Tax Court shall be appointed to the following terms so as to stagger their terms: 1. associate judge shall be appointed for a term of 6 years; 1. associate judge shall be appointed for a term of 8 years; and 1. associate judge shall be appointed for the full term of 10 years.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the terms of office for the judges of the present Maryland Tax Court shall end on July 1, 1985 or at the time that all the judges of the new Maryland Tax Court are appointed and qualified.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the continuity of the Maryland Tax Court and its jurisdiction is retained. Except for the judges, the personnel, records, files, furniture and fixtures and other properties and all appropriations, credits, assets, liabilities, and obligations of the Maryland Tax