serve at the pleasure of the Sheriff; providing that the assistant sheriffs are not in the County merit system nor subject to the rules and regulations of the County Personnel Board; requiring the assistant sheriffs to meet certain qualifications; making certain stylistic changes; and generally relating to Montgomery County assistant sheriffs.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings Section 2-309(q)(2) and (3) Annotated Code of Maryland (1984 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2-309.

- (q) (2) (I) The Sheriff [shall] MAY appoint 2 FULL-TIME ASSISTANT SHERIFFS AND the number of deputies provided in the county budget, who shall provide motor vehicles for their own use in performing their duties[, and he].
- (II) THE SHERIFF shall also appoint the other clerical and administrative employees necessary, all of whom shall be paid by the county.
- (3) (I) The Sheriff shall fix the compensation of, and may discharge, the deputy sheriffs, and other employees appointed, subject to budget limitations and the regulations of the Montgomery County Personnel Board. THE SHERIFF SHALL FIX THE COMPENSATION OF THE ASSISTANT SHERIFFS SUBJECT TO BUDGET LIMITATIONS. [Personnel]
- (II) EXCEPT FOR THE ASSISTANT SHERIFFS, PERSONNEL appointed by the Sheriff shall be considered for all purposes as Montgomery County merit system employees and subject to all rules and regulations of the Personnel Board of Montgomery County. ASSISTANT SHERIFFS SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE SHERIFF AND SHALL MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS OF THE MARYLAND POLICE CORRECTIONAL TRAINING COMMISSION STANDARDS FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS. [In addition, each]
- (III) EACH ASSISTANT SHERIFF AND deputy sheriff whose duty assignment requires the use of a motor vehicle shall be reimbursed in such amounts as shall be set forth in the budget for expenses for traveling, transportation, or use of motor vehicles, or may, in the alternative, be allowed the use of a publicly owned motor vehicle for use on duty.