

these provisions that the deputy State's Attorneys and assistant State's Attorneys not engage in the private practice of law in any manner whatsoever.

(6) The deputy State's Attorneys, and the assistant State's Attorneys shall perform whatever work as may be directed by the State's Attorney, or as authorized by law, and under the direction of the State's Attorney, may present cases to the grand juries, sign indictments and criminal informations and perform whatever other acts and duties in relation to the grand juries and in the operation of the office as are necessary and proper.

(7) The State's Attorney may appoint an administrative assistant to serve at the pleasure of the 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 [~~\$35,000~~] ~~\$38,500~~ \$37,450 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.

(8) The salary of the State's Attorney, the deputy State's Attorneys, and the assistant State's Attorneys shall be paid in equal semimonthly installments.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, § 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term of office.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1989.

Approved May 19, 1989.