- (ii) \$63,500 in 1992;
- (iii) \$67,000 in 1993; and
- (iv) \$70,000 in 1994 and thereafter] \$72,500 UNTIL THROUGH JUNE 30, 1997; AND
 - (H) 2. \$72,500 COMMENCING JULY 1, 1997 and thereafter.
- (II) [Beginning as of January 1, 1975, the State's Attorney, during his] DURING THE term in office OF THE STATE'S ATTORNEY AND [, may not,] except in connection with and in the performance of his duties as State's Attorney, THE STATE'S ATTORNEY MAY NOT appear as counsel or represent any party professionally before any court, board, commission or agency of this State or any county or political subdivision of this State [; it is intended by the provisions of this sentence] THE INTENT IS that the State's Attorney may not engage in the private practice of law in any manner.
 - [(2)](3) (I) The State's Attorney may appoint:
- 1. [a] A deputy State's Attorney whose salary-[shall not] MAY NOT be less than [\$15,000.00] \$15,000 yearly[, and he];
- 2. [may appoint 5] FIVE assistant State's Attorneys whose salaries [shall not] MAY NOT be less than [\$10,000.00] \$10,000 yearly[, or] OR, for those with at least one year's experience, [shall not] MAY NOT be less than \$12,000 yearly[,]; and
 - 3. [such] WHATEVER other; AND
- <u>2. WHATEVER</u> assistant State's Attorneys [as may be] THAT ARE authorized by the county executive and County Council [of Harford County].
- (II) All [such] appointees [shall] serve at the State's Attorney's pleasure. The salaries and compensation of such persons shall be provided by the county executive and County Council [of Harford County]. The deputy State's Attorney and the assistant State's Attorneys [shall] have the same legal powers as the State's Attorney to represent the State before grand juries and in the trial of criminal proceedings.
- [(3)](4) The State's Attorney may appoint a secretary or clerical assistant. The salary of the secretary or clerical assistant shall conform with the exempt classification and pay plan authorized by the county executive and County Council [of Harford County] and the secretary or clerical assistant shall serve at the pleasure of the State's Attorney.
- [(4)](5) The State's Attorney may employ clerical, administrative, investigative, and other personnel[,] as {may be} {15} necessary for the proper conduct of the office. The salaries and classifications for these employees shall be determined by the State's Attorney, in conformity with the Harford County pay and classification plans, and authorized by the County Executive and County Council [of Harford County]. These employees shall be entitled to all benefits received by similarly classified county employees.