

former phrases "judges of the several courts of the State, whether elected or appointed, including all judges of the several orphans' courts ...[etc.]" and "candidate for nomination for, or election to, an elected judgeship", for brevity and to clarify that quasi-judicial offices in other branches of government, e.g., Tax Court and Office of Administrative Hearings, are not included.

Defined terms: "Bicounty commission" § 15-102

"Compensation" § 15-102

"Official" § 15-102

"Public official" § 15-102

"State official" § 15-102

#### 15-602. FILING REQUIREMENTS — OFFICIALS GENERALLY.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN THIS SUBTITLE, A STATEMENT FILED UNDER THIS SECTION OR §§ 6-603 THROUGH 6-605 OF THIS SUBTITLE SHALL:

- (1) BE FILED WITH THE ETHICS COMMISSION;
- (2) BE FILED UNDER OATH;
- (3) BE FILED ON OR BEFORE APRIL 30 OF EACH YEAR;
- (4) COVER THE CALENDAR YEAR IMMEDIATELY PRECEDING THE YEAR OF FILING; AND
- (5) CONTAIN THE INFORMATION REQUIRED IN § 15-607 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language added to consolidate filing requirements in former Art. 40A, § 4-102(a) and (b).

In item (3) of this section, the words "during that person's term in office" from former Art. 40A, § 4-102(a)(1) are deleted as surplusage, because the application of this provision to "officials" makes implicit the requirement that filing be made during the official's term.

Defined term: "Ethics Commission" § 15-102

#### 15-603. APPOINTEE FILLING VACANCY.

AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS APPOINTED TO FILL A VACANCY IN AN OFFICE FOR WHICH A STATEMENT IS REQUIRED BY § 15-601(A) OF THIS SUBTITLE, AND WHO HAS NOT ALREADY FILED A STATEMENT UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION FOR THE PRECEDING CALENDAR YEAR, SHALL FILE THE STATEMENT WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER APPOINTMENT.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second sentence of former Art. 40A, § 4-102(a).

#### 15-604. OFFICIALS LEAVING OFFICE.

- (A) IN GENERAL.