

(3) three members of the Judiciary, appointed by the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals;

(4) two members of the Senate of Maryland, appointed by the President of the Senate;

(5) two members of the House of Delegates, appointed by the Speaker of the House of Delegates; and

(6) six members of the public appointed by the President of the Maryland State Bar Association, at least two of whom shall have research and development or academic expertise in technology issues.

(c) The President of the Maryland State Bar Association or the President's designee shall be the chairman of the Task Force.

(d) The Task Force shall study the feasibility of the establishment of a business and technology division in appropriate circuit courts in the State.

(e) The report shall include:

(1) input from both the Maryland business community and legal community;

(2) a review of the experience of other states in creating business courts while avoiding an unwarranted proliferation of other "specialty" courts; and

(3) a consideration of all operational aspects of establishing a business and technology division, including:

(i) the benefits, costs, and potential negative impacts to the State and, in particular, the Judiciary that are associated with the establishment of a business and technology division in Maryland;

~~(a)~~ (ii) the costs associated with and essential to the efficient operation of a business and technology division;

~~(b)~~ (iii) the criteria for determining the type and monetary threshold of matters to be assigned and procedures for assignment of matters to a business and technology division;

~~(c)~~ (iv) a case management plan for the prompt and efficient scheduling and disposition of matters assigned to a business and technology division, which shall identify those matters that are appropriate for assignment to a specific judge who shall be responsible for the entire case;

~~(d)~~ (v) the use of alternative dispute resolution;

~~(e)~~ (vi) the feasibility of establishing an electronic filing system for pleadings and papers;

~~(f)~~ (vii) the feasibility of establishing an expedited appeals process for matters assigned to a business and technology division; and