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- (a) The date for trial of a criminal matter in a circuit court:
 - (1) Shall be set within 30 days after the earlier of:
 - (i) The appearance of counsel; or
- (ii) The first appearance of the defendant before the circuit court, as-provided in the Maryland Rules; and
 - (2) May not be later than 180 days after the earlier of those events.
- (b) (1) On motion of a party or on the court's initiative and for good cause shown, a county administrative judge or a designee of that judge may grant a change of the circuit court trial date.
- (2) IF A CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL DATE IS CHANGED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ANY SUBSEQUENT CHANGES OF THE TRIAL DATE MAY ONLY BE MADE BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OR THAT JUDGE'S DESIGNEE FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN.
- (e) The Court of Appeals may adopt additional rules of practice and procedure for the implementation of this section in circuit courts.

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 - (i) the appearance of counsel; or
- (ii) the first appearance of the defendant before the circuit court, as provided in the Maryland Rules.
- (b) (1) For good cause shown, the administrative judge of a county or a designee of the judge may grant a change of the trial date in a circuit court:
 - [(1)](I) on motion of a party; or
 - [(2)](II) on the initiative of the circuit court.
- (2) IF A CIRCUIT COURT TRIAL DATE IS CHANGED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, ANY SUBSEQUENT CHANGES OF THE TRIAL DATE MAY ONLY BE MADE BY THE COUNTY ADMINISTRATIVE JUDGE OR THAT JUDGE'S DESIGNEE FOR GOOD CAUSE SHOWN.
 - (c) The Court of Appeals may adopt additional rules to carry out this section.