

fees of the clerks of the circuit courts; providing for the effective date of this Act; and generally relating to information required to be maintained by the clerks of the circuit courts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2–201(a)(2)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 2–502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

2–201.

(a) The clerk of a court shall:

(2) Make proper legible entries of all proceedings of the court and keep them in well bound books or other permanent form;

2–502.

[The clerks] EACH CLERK of [the] A circuit court [of a county shall record, index, and maintain the following information when filed in the court:

(1) An auditor’s report of distribution of proceeds of a sale of real or personal property if ratified by the court of which he is clerk;

(2) All bonds of every nature and kind given in any proceeding in the court; and

(3) **A] SHALL KEEP PERMANENTLY A test book containing the oaths of office and signatures of every [person] INDIVIDUAL who takes the oath before the clerk.**

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General Assembly that no fee be charged for an auditor’s report or bond included in a case file as a matter of course and that the State Court Administrator propose to the Board of Public Works an amendment to the fee schedule of the clerks of the circuit courts as necessary to carry out this intent.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2002.