provisions; and relating generally to appearance of counsel fees in the circuit courts.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 7-204

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1989 Replacement Volume and 1991 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

7-204.

- [(a) (1) Except in the District Court, except as provided in paragraph (2) of this subsection for Baltimore County, and except as otherwise provided in this section, an attorney-at-law is entitled to demand and receive the following fees:
- (i) For bringing, prosecuting, or defending any action at law in a court of original jurisdiction \$5;
- (ii) For prosecuting or defending any action, including the collection of money due on mortgage, in a court of equity \$10;
- (iii) For prosecuting or defending a case in the Court of Appeals \$10;
- (iv) For prosecuting or defending a criminal case if the punishment for the offense charged is death or confinement in the penitentiary \$10; and
 - (v) In all other criminal cases \$5.
- (2) In the Circuit Court for Baltimore County, the Clerk of the Circuit Court is entitled to demand and receive the following fees:
- (i) For bringing, prosecuting, or defending any action at law in a court, of original jurisdiction \$10;
- (ii) For prosecuting or defending any action, including the collection of money due on mortgage, in a court of equity \$20;
- (iii) For prosecuting or defending a case in the Court of Appeals \$20;
- (iv) For prosecuting or defending a criminal case if the punishment for the offense charged is death or confinement in the penitentiary \$20; and
 - (v) In all other criminal cases \$10.]