

roll counties, shall be the third district; Washington and Allegany counties, shall be the fourth district; Baltimore shall be the *fifth* district; Baltimore, Harford and Cecil counties, shall be the sixth district; Kent, Queen Anne's, Talbot and Caroline counties, shall be the seventh district; and Dorchester, Somerset and Worcester counties, shall be the eighth district; and there shall be elected as herein directed, one person, having the qualifications hereinafter prescribed, for each of the said judicial districts, except the fifth, to be judge thereof; the said judges shall be styled district judges, and shall respectively hold a term of their court at least twice in each year or oftener, if required by law, in each county, composing their respective districts; and the said courts shall be called district courts for county in which it may be held; and shall have, hold and exercise, in the several counties of this State, all and every, the powers, authorities and jurisdictions which the county courts of this State now have, hold and exercise, or which shall hereafter be prescribed by laws made pursuant to this constitution.

Sec. 10. The Judges of the several inferior judicial Districts shall be citizens of the United States, and shall have resided five years in this State, and two years in the judicial district for which they may be respectively elected, next before the time of election, and shall reside therein while they continue to act as judges; and shall hold their offices ten years removeable for misbehaviour on conviction in a court of law, or shall be removed by the Governor, upon the address of the General Assembly, provided that two-thirds of the members of each House shall concur in such address; and the said judges shall each receive a salary of 2,000 dollars per annum, and the same shall not be diminished during the time of their continuance in office; and no judge of any court in this State or chancellor who has a salary fixed by law shall receive any perquisite, fee or reward in addition thereto, for the performance of any judicial duty.

Sec. 11. There shall be a clerk to each county court, who shall be elected by a plurality vote of the qualified voters of each county, who shall hold his office for the term of six years from the time of his election, and until a new election is held, subject to removal for wilful neglect of duty or other misdemeanor in office; by presentment of a grand jury, and conviction of a petit jury of the county, in which he shall reside, the Legislature shall provide by law for suitable annual salaries for such clerks, in lieu of all fees and perquisites as now established by law; in the event of any vacancy in the office of clerk of the county, such vacancy shall be filled by the Governor until the next general election, when said term of appointment shall expire.

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Sec. 12. There shall be established for the city of Baltimore, one court with common law jurisdiction, to be styled "The Court of Common Pleas," which shall have civil jurisdiction in all suits