

Each Circuit Court judge is appointed by the Governor and then must stand for election. The judge's name is placed on the ballot in the first general election that occurs at least one year following the vacancy the judge was appointed to fill. The judge may be formally opposed by one or more qualified members of the bar, with the successful candidate being elected to a fifteen-year term (Const., Art. IV, secs. 19-26).

**1ST JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

*DORCHESTER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

Donald F. Johnson, *County Administrative Judge*  
..... 2001  
P.O. Box 583  
Courthouse  
206 High St.  
Cambridge, MD 21613                      228-6300

*SOMERSET COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

Daniel M. Long, *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
Courthouse  
Main St.  
Princess Anne, MD 21853                      651-1555

*WICOMICO COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(3 Judges)

Alfred T. Truitt, Jr., *Circuit Administrative Judge & Chief Judge* ..... 1993  
D. William Simpson, *County Administrative Judge*  
..... 2003  
Richard Dexter Warren, *Associate Judge* .... 2005  
Courthouse  
N. Division St. & Main St.  
Salisbury, MD 21801                      548-4822

*WORCESTER COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(2 Judges)

Theodore R. Eschenburg, Sr., *Associate Judge*  
..... 1999  
Thomas Clay Groton III, *Associate Judge* ... 2005  
Courthouse  
Market St.  
Snow Hill, MD 21863                      632-0600

**2ND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

*CAROLINE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

J. Owen Wise, *Circuit Administrative Judge & County Administrative Judge* ..... 1999  
P. O. Box 356  
Courthouse  
Market St.  
Denton, MD 21629                      479-2303

*CECIL COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(2 Judges)

Donaldson C. Cole, Jr., *County Administrative Judge & Chief Judge* ..... 1995  
Edward D. E. Rollins, Jr., *Associate Judge* .. 1999  
County Office Building  
E. Main St.  
Elkton, MD 21921                      398-0200

*KENT COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

J. Frederick Price, *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
Courthouse  
Cross St.  
Chestertown, MD                      778-4600

*QUEEN ANNE'S COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

John W. Sause, Jr., *County Administrative Judge*  
..... 2005  
Courthouse  
Commerce St.  
Centreville, MD 21617                      758-0216

*TALBOT COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(1 Judge)

William S. Horne, *County Administrative Judge*  
..... 2005  
Courthouse  
Washington St.  
Easton, MD 21601                      822-4444

**3RD JUDICIAL CIRCUIT**

*BALTIMORE COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT*  
(15 Judges)

Edward A. DeWaters, Jr., *Circuit Administrative Judge & Chief Judge* ..... 1991  
J. William Hinkel, *County Administrative Judge*  
..... 1997  
Thomas J. Bollinger, *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
Alfred L. Brennan, Sr., *Associate Judge* ..... 2005  
William R. Buchanan, Sr., *Associate Judge* .. 1993  
J. Norris Byrnes, *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
Robert E. Cahill, Sr., *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
John F. Fader II, *Associate Judge* ..... 1997  
Barbara Kerr Howe, *Associate Judge* ..... 2005  
Leonard S. Jacobson, *Associate Judge* ..... 1999  
Christian M. Kahl, *Associate Judge* ..... 1992  
Dana M. Levitz, *Associate Judge* ..... 2001