

to regulate by rules the administration, procedure and practice of said Court; such rules shall have the force of law until rescinded or modified by said Judges or the General Assembly. Unless otherwise provided by law, (1) all powers granted by this Section or by law to said Court or the Judges thereof as a body may be exercised by a majority of the Judges thereof, and (2) said Court shall not be a Court of Record.

There shall be a Chief Constable of said Court, who shall perform therein the duties prescribed for Clerks of Court by Section 10 of this Article and such other duties as shall be prescribed by law or by rule of said Court. Such Chief Constable shall be appointed, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, by the Judges of said Court; and such Chief Constable shall appoint, in the manner hereinafter prescribed, all original, subsequent and additional constables and clerks employed pursuant to this Section, and shall supervise and direct the work of all such constables and clerks. There shall be appointed originally fourteen such constables and sixteen such clerks; the number of either may, on the joint recommendation of said Court and said Chief Constable, be increased by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City; no vacancy in the position of any constable or clerk, however arising, shall be filled by said Chief Constable unless the Judges of said Court and said Chief Constable shall expressly find that the filling of such vacancy is necessary for the efficient operation of said Court. The positions of said Chief Constable and of all such constables and clerks shall be positions in the Classified City Service of Baltimore and the provisions of the Charter of said City with respect to said City Service are hereby expressly made applicable thereto, provided that, the Chief Constable at the time this amendment becomes effective shall continue and remain in said position and immediately become a member of said Classified City Service of Baltimore; all such positions shall be classified by the City Service Commission and all appointments, promotions, transfers, re-instatements, and removals with respect to such positions shall be made only in accordance with the provisions, rules and regulations of said Classified City Service in force from time to time. Such Chief Constable and all of such other constables and all such clerks shall receive from the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City such compensation as said Mayor and City Council shall prescribe. Such constables and clerks shall perform such duties as may now or hereafter be prescribed by law or rule of Court.

After adoption of this Section no constable shall be appointed by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City pursuant to Section 42 or Section 43 of this Article IV, but constables in office upon the adoption of this Section shall hold office for the remainder of their terms, and the constables first appointed under this Section shall take office at the expiration of such terms.

Sec. 41-B. The General Assembly shall have power by law to establish a People's Court in any county, or any part thereof, incorporated city or town in this State, except Baltimore City, and to prescribe and from time to time to alter (1) the number, qualifications, tenure, and method of selection of the Judges of any such Court, and their powers, duties and compensation, except that the term of office or compensation of any Judge shall not be reduced during his continuance in office; (2) the jurisdiction of any such Court (which may be made exclusive as to any class or classes of civil cases in such county, or any part thereof, city or town) and the right of appeal therefrom; (3) the number, qualifications, tenure, method