

hold office until his successor is duly appointed and qualified; said Judge of The Peoples Court shall be a resident and duly qualified voter of one of the Election Districts for which he is appointed; he shall be at least twenty-five years of age at the time of his appointment, and shall be a man of integrity; when so appointed he shall qualify before the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Wicomico County by subscribing and taking oath of office in the same manner as Justices of the Peace now qualify; said Judge of The Peoples Court, if he be a member of the bar, shall not during the term for which he is appointed engage directly or indirectly in the practice of the law; in case of vacancy, death, removal from office, resignation or otherwise, the Governor shall appoint a duly qualified person or persons to serve for the unexpired term of said Judge of The Peoples Court; the term of office or the compensation of said office shall not be diminished during the term for which he is appointed.

COMPENSATION :

54-B. Said Judge of The Peoples Court shall receive an annual salary of Twenty-four Hundred Dollars, in monthly installments of Two Hundred Dollars each; the sum of One Hundred and Fifty Dollars per month shall be paid by the County Commissioners for Wicomico County, and the sum of Fifty Dollars per month shall be paid by the Mayor and Council of Salisbury, Maryland, which said salary shall be in lieu of all fees and costs in both civil and criminal cases, all of which said fees and costs, including costs in motor vehicle cases, shall be paid to the County Treasurer of Wicomico County.

CRIMINAL AND PEACE JURISDICTION :

54-C. Said Judge of The Peoples Court shall have jurisdiction to try and determine all cases involving any offense, crime or misdemeanor not punishable by confinement in the penitentiary, or involving a felonious intent which may be committed within the confines of Wicomico County, which said jurisdiction shall be exercised as concurrent with the Circuit Court for Wicomico County; and he shall have jurisdiction to hear, try and determine all prosecutions and proceedings for the recovery of any penalty for doing or omitting to do any act within Wicomico County, the doing of which or omission to do which, is punishable under the laws of this State, by fine or imprisonment in jail or the House of Correction or any House of Detention; he shall have power to issue process and do all other reasonable acts consistent with existing law, necessary for the exercise of said jurisdiction; and he may pronounce judgment and sentence in all cases coming before him within his jurisdiction in the same manner and to the same extent as the Cir-