

(C) A RESIDENT OF HOWARD COUNTY CONTINUOUSLY FOR AT LEAST ONE (1) YEAR IMMEDIATELY PRIOR TO HIS APPOINTMENT OR ELECTION, AND

(D) IS DISTINGUISHED FOR INTEGRITY, WISDOM, AND SOUND LEGAL KNOWLEDGE.

152E.

(a) The two Judges of said Court shall select one of the Judges of said Court as Chief Judge and Administrative Officer who shall receive an annual salary of ~~[\$6,500]~~ ~~Six Thousand Five Hundred Dollars (\$7,500)~~. The other Judge shall receive an annual salary of ~~[\$6,000]~~ ~~Seven Thousand Dollars (\$7,000)~~. RECEIVE SUCH ANNUAL SALARY AS MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS FROM TIME TO TIME.

152H.

(d) The People's Court of Howard County, before conviction of any person accused of crime with the written consent of the person so accused, whether a minor or an adult, and after conviction or after a plea of guilty or nolo contendere, without such consent, are empowered, during the term of court in which such consent, conviction or plea is had, to:

- (1) Suspend the imposition of sentence; or*
- (2) Place such person on probation without finding a verdict; and*
- (3) Make such conditions of suspension of sentence and probation as the court may deem proper.*

152J.

(a) There shall be a Chief Clerk of the People's Court who shall be appointed by the Chief Judge, receive an annual salary of *not less than* four thousand dollars (\$4,000) *to be set by the County Commissioners*, and give bond with corporate surety, conditioned upon the proper performance of his duties, in such amount as the Chief Judge shall prescribe, the premium of which shall be paid by the county commissioners.

152K.

(a) In addition to the Chief Clerk, there shall be one (1) assistant clerk of the People's Court who shall receive an annual salary of *not less than* thirty-six hundred dollars (\$3,600), one constable who shall receive an annual salary of *not less than* twelve hundred dollars (\$1,200), and such additional employees as the Chief Judge may from time to time deem necessary, who shall receive such salaries as are provided in the annual county budget. The Chief Clerk with the approval of the Chief Judge, shall make the appointments to all such positions and shall supervise and direct the work thereof. *The County Commissioners shall set the salaries of the employees mentioned in this subsection.*

(b) The Chief Judge shall appoint a full time bailiff who shall receive an annual salary of *not less than* twenty-four hundred dollars (\$2,400), *to be set by the County Commissioners.*