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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Howard County - Orphans' Court Judges - Practice of Law**
3 **Ho. Co. 6-99**

4 FOR the purpose of providing that, in Howard County, orphans' court judges may
5 practice law under certain circumstances; and generally relating to orphans'
6 court judges in Howard County.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
8 Article - Estates and Trusts
9 Section 2-109
10 Annotated Code of Maryland
11 (1991 Replacement Volume and 1998 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Estates and Trusts**

15 2-109.

16 (a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, a judge of the court
17 may not act as an attorney at law in a civil or criminal matter during a term of office.

18 (b) This section does not apply:

19 (1) In Harford County;

- 1 (2) In Montgomery County;
- 2 (3) In Baltimore City, to a judge of the Court while practicing law before
3 any court of the State except an orphans' court; or
- 4 (4) In Prince George's [and], Calvert, AND HOWARD Counties, to a judge
5 of the Court while practicing law in connection with a case that is:
- 6 (i) Outside the jurisdiction of orphans' court; and
- 7 (ii) Unrelated to the administration of an estate or guardianship.
- 8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take
9 effect July 1, 1999.