

Article VIII. Town Attorney.

Sec. 1. Appointment and compensation.

The town attorney shall be appointed by the mayor by and with the advice and consent of the council. His compensation shall be determined by the council. (1906, ch. 458, sec. 67. 1910, ch. 365, sec. 67. 1937, ch. 26. Res. No. 17, May 19, 1958; 1906, ch. 458, sec. 975.)

Sec. 2. Qualifications.

The town attorney shall be a member of the bar of the Maryland Court of Appeals who has practiced law in the Town of Easton for not less than one year preceding his appointment.

Sec. 3. Duties.

- (a) The town attorney shall be the legal adviser of the Town of Easton and shall have general supervision and direction of all legal business of the town.
- (b) The town attorney shall have charge of the preparation and trial of all suits, actions, and proceedings of every kind to which the town shall be a party in any court, state or federal, or before any trial magistrate when requested by the mayor, and of all actions brought to enforce the ordinances of the council or to punish violations thereof.
- (c) Upon the request of the council, or any member thereof, the mayor, or any officer of the town, the town attorney shall give written advice on all questions of law which may be referred to him.
- (d) He shall prepare ordinances for introduction into the council.
- (e) He shall prepare, examine, and approve as to form all the contracts, specifications, deeds, and other legal papers of the town.
- (f) He shall perform such other duties as this Charter, the mayor, or the council may require.
- (g) The council shall have the authority to appoint special counsel to assist the town attorney whenever deemed desirable. (1906, ch. 458, sec. 97S.)

