
WEST VIRGINIA CODE CHAPTER 44
ARTICLE 13

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§44-13-1. Powers of clerk of county court where separate tribunal for police and fiscal purposes.

In every county in which now exists a tribunal for police and fiscal purposes heretofore established under section 34 of article VIII of the Constitution of eighteen hundred and seventy- two, the clerk mentioned in the twenty-sixth section of the amendment of eighteen hundred and eighty to the Constitution shall exercise any powers and discharge any duties conferred on or required of the court or tribunal heretofore established for judicial purposes in such county, or the clerk thereof, before the adoption of such amendment, and also any powers and duties now or hereafter conferred on or required of county courts in other counties, or the clerks thereof, except as it may be otherwise provided, respecting the recording and preservation of deeds and other papers presented for record, respecting matters of probate, the appointment and qualification of personal representatives, guardians, committees, curators, and the settlement of their accounts, and respecting all matters relating to apprentices.

§44-13-2. Who shall act when such clerk interested.

In any matter with respect to which such clerk shall have power to act but in which he shall be interested, so that it will be improper for him to act therein, such powers and duties other than such as are judicial in their nature, may be exercised and discharged, in the office of the last-mentioned clerk, by the clerk of the circuit court of the same county, and such powers and duties, so far as the same are judicial in their nature, may be exercised and discharged by any judge of the circuit court of the same county, in the office of the clerk of the county court.

§44-13-3. Such clerk not to impanel a jury for settlement of questions of fact.

No jury shall be impaneled before such clerk to settle questions of fact.

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§44-13-4. Record and order books to be kept by such clerk.

Such clerk shall, respecting the matters of which he is given jurisdiction by this article, keep such record and order books as a county court is required by law to keep, and shall enter therein all proceedings before him

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§44-13-4a. Reporting of foreclosure statistics.

Beginning with the third quarter of 2010, the clerk of each county commission shall file quarterly with the West Virginia Housing Development Fund established in article eighteen, chapter thirty-one of this code the disclosure forms of deed of trust foreclosure sales that were recorded in that county for the preceding calendar year quarter. Up until that time, through the second quarter of 2010, such quarterly reports shall be filed with the Division of Banking. The reports shall be filed within fifteen days of the last day of September, December, March and June of each year. The reports shall be filed in electronic format, where possible.

§44-13-5. Duties of such clerk as to acts to be performed at stated times.

When any act is required to be done by clerks of county courts of other counties on the first day of the term of the county courts, such clerk of the county court in every county in which such special tribunal for police and fiscal purposes was established as aforesaid, shall perform such act, under the same regulations and penalties, on the first Monday of the month.

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§44-13-6. How decisions and orders of such clerk reviewed.

Appeals from the decision rendered and orders made by such clerk may be had to the circuit court of his county at the instance of the same persons, in the same manner, by the same procedure, and within the same time, as from decisions and final orders of a county court; and when carried into the circuit court such cases shall be heard and proceeded with there in the same manner as is provided by law for similar cases appealed from a county court.

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