

ARTICLE VI.—*Judiciary Department.*

1. There shall be a supreme court of appeals, district courts, and circuit courts. The jurisdiction of these tribunals, and of the judges thereof, except so far as the same is conferred by this constitution, shall be regulated by law.

JUDICIAL DIVISIONS.

2. The state shall be divided into twenty-one judicial circuits, ten districts, and five sections.

I. The counties of Princess Anne, Norfolk, Nansemond, Isle of Wight, Southampton, Greenesville, Surry, and Sussex, and the city of Norfolk, shall constitute the first circuit.

II. The counties of Prince George, Dinwiddie, Brunswick, Mecklenburg, Lunenburg, Nottoway, Amelia, Chesterfield, and Powhatan, and the city of Petersburg, shall constitute the second circuit.

III. The counties of Cumberland, Buckingham, Appomattox, Campbell, Prince Edward, Charlotte, and Halifax, and the town of Lynchburg, shall constitute the third circuit.

IV. The counties of Pittsylvania, Bedford, Franklin, Patrick, and Henry, shall constitute the fourth circuit.

V. The counties of Accomac and Northampton shall constitute the fifth circuit.

VI. The counties of Elizabeth City, Warwick, York, Gloucester, Mathews, Middlesex, Henrico, New Kent, Charles City, and James City, and the city of Williamsburg, shall constitute the sixth circuit.

VII. The city of Richmond shall be the seventh circuit.

VIII. The counties of Lancaster, Northumberland, Richmond, Westmoreland, King George, Spotsylvania, Caroline, Hanover, King William, King and Queen, and Essex, shall constitute the eighth circuit.

IX. The counties of Stafford, Prince William, Alexandria, Fairfax, Loudoun, Fauquier, and Rappahannock, shall constitute the ninth circuit.

X. The counties of Culpeper, Madison, Greene, Orange, Albemarle, Louisa, Fluvanna, and Goochland, shall constitute the tenth circuit.

XI. The counties of Nelson, Amherst, Rockbridge, Augusta, and Bath shall constitute the eleventh circuit.

XII. The counties of Pendleton, Highland, Rockingham, Page, Shenandoah, Warren, and Hardy, shall constitute the twelfth circuit.

XIII. The counties of Clarke, Frederick, Hampshire, Morgan, Berkeley, and Jefferson, shall constitute the thirteenth circuit.

XIV. The counties of Monroe, Greenbrier, Pocahontas, Alleghany, Botetourt, Roanoke, and Craig, shall constitute the fourteenth circuit.

XV. The counties of Giles, Mercer, Raleigh, Wyoming, Logan, Boone, Fayette, and Nicholas, shall constitute the fifteenth circuit.

XVI. The counties of Grayson, Carroll, Wythe, Floyd, Pulaski, and Montgomery, shall constitute the sixteenth circuit.

XVII. The counties of Smyth, Tazewell, Washington, Russell, Scott, and Lee shall constitute the seventeenth circuit.