

GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF NORTH CAROLINA
1983 SESSION

CHAPTER 774
HOUSE BILL 905

AN ACT TO ELIMINATE THE JUDICIAL COUNCIL AND RECONSTITUTE THE NORTH CAROLINA COURTS COMMISSION.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

Section 1. Article 31 of Chapter 7A of the General Statutes is repealed.

Sec. 2. G.S. 7A-506, as amended by Chapter 181, Session Laws of 1983, is rewritten to read:

"§ 7A-506. Creation; members; terms; qualifications; vacancies.—(a) The North Carolina Courts Commission is hereby created. Effective July 1, 1983, it shall consist of 24 members, six to be appointed by the Governor, six to be appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives, six to be appointed by the President of the Senate, and six to be appointed by the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court.

(b) Of the appointees of the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, one shall be a Justice of the Supreme Court, one shall be a Judge of the Court of Appeals, two shall be judges of superior court, and two shall be district court judges.

(c) Of the six appointees of the Governor, one shall be a district attorney, one shall be a practicing attorney, one shall be a clerk of superior court, at least three shall be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one shall not be an attorney.

(d) Of the six appointees of the Speaker of the House, at least three shall be practicing attorneys, at least three shall be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one shall not be an attorney.

(e) Of the six appointees of the President of the Senate, at least three shall be practicing attorneys, at least three shall be members or former members of the General Assembly, and at least one shall be a magistrate.

(f) Of the initial appointments of each appointing authority, three shall be appointed for four-year terms to begin July 1, 1983, and three shall be appointed for two-year terms to begin July 1, 1983. Successors shall be appointed for four-year terms.

(g) A vacancy in membership shall be filled for the remainder of the unexpired term by the appointing authority who made the original appointment. A member whose term expires may be reappointed."

Sec. 3. This act is effective upon ratification.

In the General Assembly read three times and ratified, this the 15th day of July, 1983.