Public Law 86-243

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AN ACT

Relating to the authority of the Customs Court to appoint employees, and for other purposes.

Courts, custom. Appointment o mployees. 62 Stat. 925.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That chapter 55 of title 28 of the United States Code is amended to read as follows:

"CHAPTER 55—CUSTOMS COURT

"871. Clerk, chief deputy clerk, assistant clerk, deputies, assistants, and other employees.

"872. Marshal and deputy marshals.

"873. Criers, bailiffs, and messengers.

"§ 871. Clerk, chief deputy clerk, assistant clerk, deputies, assistants, and other employees.

"The Customs Court may appoint a clerk, a chief deputy clerk, an assistant clerk, deputy clerks, and such deputies, assistants, and other employees as may be necessary for the effective dispatch of the business of the court, who shall be subject to removal by the court.

"§ 872. Marshal and deputy marshals.

"The Customs Court may appoint a marshal and deputy marshals, who shall be subject to removal by the court.

"The marshal and his deputies shall attend court at its sessions, serve and execute all process and orders issued by it, and exercise the powers and perform the duties concerning all matters within such court's jurisdiction assigned to them by the court.

"Under regulations prescribed by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the marshal shall pay the salaries, office expenses, and travel and subsistence allowances of the judges, officers, and employees of the court, and shall disburse funds appropriated for all expenses of the court.

"On all disbursements made by the marshal of the Customs Court for official salaries or expenses, the certificate of the payee shall be

sufficient without verification on oath.

"§ 873. Criers, bailiffs, and messengers.

"The Customs Court may appoint such criers as it may require for said court, which criers shall also perform the duties of bailiffs and messengers and such other duties as the court directs and shall be subject to removal by the court."

SEC. 2. Section 550(b) of title 28 of the United States Code is

amended by striking out "judges of the Customs Court,". SEC. 3. The first paragraph of section 253 of title 28 of the United

States Code is amended to read as follows:

"The chief judge of the Customs Court, with the approval of the court, shall supervise the fiscal affairs and clerical force of the court. The chief judge shall assign or reassign, before trial and under rules of the court, any case for hearing, determination, or both; and promulgate dockets."

SEC. 4. Nothing contained in the amendments made by this Act shall be construed to deprive any person serving on the date of enactment of this Act as an officer or employee of the Customs Court of any rights, privileges, or civil service status, if any, to which such person is entitled under the laws of the United States or regulations thereunder.

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62 Stat. 900.

Exception.