

HOUSE No. 3412

By Mr. Pickett of Somerville, petition of John J. Droney that the district attorney for the Northern District be authorized to establish an appellate division in his office. Public Service.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Seventy-Two.

AN ACT CREATING AN APPELLATE DIVISION IN THE OFFICE OF THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY FOR THE NORTHERN DISTRICT.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Chapter 12 of the General Laws is hereby amended by
2 inserting after section 20B the following section: —
3 *Section 20C.* The district attorney for the Northern District
4 may appoint three attorneys qualified to practice in the Com-
5 monwealth to form an appellate division of the district attor-
6 ney's office and he may remove them at pleasure. He shall
7 appoint one of these to be chief of the appellate division. The
8 duties of the appellate division of the district attorney's office
9 shall be to appear for the commonwealth in all appeals to the
10 Supreme Judicial Court and to advise the district attorney as to
11 questions of law. The chief and members of the appellate
12 division shall have all the powers of an assistant district attor-
13 ney and shall receive from the commonwealth such salary as
14 the district attorney shall determine, not exceeding, in the case
15 of the chief of the appellate division, sixteen thousand dollars,
16 and in the case of the members of the appellate division twelve
17 thousand five hundred dollars.

As the Board of Directors of the National Bank of Commerce, we have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of the 10th inst. in relation to the proposed merger of the National Bank of Commerce and the National Bank of New York.

The Board of Directors of the National Bank of Commerce

has considered the same and has concluded that it is not expedient to merge with the National Bank of New York at this time.

Very respectfully,
The Board of Directors

By the Board of Directors,
The National Bank of Commerce
New York, N. Y.