

of the Virgin Islands who are citizens of the United States and prescription by legislative assembly of additional qualifications.

**§ 1405q. Laws continued in force until modified; patent, trade mark, and copyright laws extended to Virgin Islands; jurisdiction of district court**

The laws of the United States applicable to the Virgin Islands on June 22, 1936, and all local laws and ordinances in force on such date in the Virgin Islands, not inconsistent with this subchapter, shall continue in force and effect: *Provided*, That the Municipal Council of Saint Croix and the Municipal Council of Saint Thomas and Saint John, and the legislative assembly, shall have power when not inconsistent with this subchapter and within their respective jurisdictions, to amend, alter, modify, or repeal any law of the United States of local application only, or any ordinance, public or private, civil or criminal, continued in force and effect by this subchapter, except as herein otherwise provided, and to enact new laws and ordinances not inconsistent with this subchapter and not inconsistent with the laws of the United States hereafter made applicable to the Virgin Islands or any part thereof, subject to the power of the Congress to annul the same. The laws of the United States relating to patents, trade marks, and copyrights, and to the enforcement of rights arising thereunder, shall have the same force and effect in the Virgin Islands as in the continental United States, and the District Court of the Virgin Islands shall have the same jurisdiction in causes arising under such laws as is exercised by United States district courts.

(June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 18, 49 Stat. 1811.)

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**REFERENCES IN TEXT**

The laws of the United States relating to patents, trade marks, and copyrights, referred to in text, are classified generally to Title 35, Patents, chapter 22 (§1051 et seq.) of Title 15, Commerce and Trade, and Title 17, Copyrights.

**§ 1405r. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-357, title III, § 307, Oct. 19, 1982, 96 Stat. 1709**

Section, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 19, 49 Stat. 1811, related to scope of legislative power of Virgin Islands and prohibition of tax discrimination against property of nonresidents.

**§§ 1405s to 1405t. Repealed. Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 649, 651, 655**

Section 1405s, acts June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 20, 49 Stat. 1812; Dec. 26, 1941, ch. 637, 55 Stat. 872, related to executive branch of Government, and to appointment, powers and duties of Governor.

Section 1405s-1, act Oct. 15, 1949, ch. 695, § 5(a), 63 Stat. 880, prescribed compensation of Governor.

This section was not enacted as part of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States which comprises this subchapter.

Section 1405t, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 21, 49 Stat. 1812, related to appointment, powers and duties of Government Secretary.

**§§ 1405u to 1405w. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-357, title III, § 307, Oct. 19, 1982, 96 Stat. 1709**

Section 1405u, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 22, 49 Stat. 1812, related to appointment of an Administrator for Saint Croix to act for Governor.

Section 1405v, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 23, 49 Stat. 1813, related to appointment of such other executive and administrative officers as may be required in discretion of Secretary of the Interior.

Section 1405w, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 24, 49 Stat. 1813, related to appointment of all salaried officers and employees of municipal governments by Governor with advice and consent of municipal council having jurisdiction.

**§ 1405w-1. Omitted**

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**CODIFICATION**

Section, act July 3, 1945, ch. 262, § 1, 59 Stat. 359, which related to appointment of an executive assistant to Governor and legal counsel, was superseded by section 1591 of this title. Section was not enacted as part of the Organic Act of the Virgin Islands of the United States which comprises this subchapter.

**§ 1405x. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-357, title III, § 307, Oct. 19, 1982, 96 Stat. 1709**

Section, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 25, 49 Stat. 1813, related to vesting of judicial power in District Court of Virgin Islands, organization and conduct of a Superior Court, and appeals from Superior Court.

**§ 1405y. Repealed. Pub. L. 89-554, § 8(a), Sept. 6, 1966, 80 Stat. 649, 650, 654, 657**

Section, acts June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 26, 49 Stat. 1813; Aug. 5, 1939, ch. 430, 53 Stat. 1203; June 25, 1948, ch. 646, § 28, 62 Stat. 991; Feb. 10, 1954, ch. 6, § 3(a), 68 Stat. 12, related to appointment of a judge of district court, a special judge, district attorney, and court officers.

**§§ 1405z to 1406e. Repealed. Pub. L. 97-357, title III, § 307, Oct. 19, 1982, 96 Stat. 1709**

Section 1405z, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 27, 49 Stat. 1813, related to two divisions of District Court of Virgin Islands, terms of court, rules of practice, and process.

Section 1406, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 28, 49 Stat. 1814, related to jurisdiction of district court generally.

Section 1406a, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 29, 49 Stat. 1814, related to jurisdiction of district court over crimes committed on the high seas.

Section 1406b, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 30, 49 Stat. 1814, related to appeals from District Court of Virgin Islands.

Section 1406c, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 31, 49 Stat. 1814, related to jury trials in criminal cases.

Section 1406d, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 32, 49 Stat. 1814, related to jurisdiction of inferior courts.

Section 1406e, act June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 33, 49 Stat. 1815, related to appeals from inferior courts to district court.

**§ 1406f. Judicial process; title of criminal prosecutions**

All judicial process shall run in the name of "United States of America, scilicet, the President of the United States", and all penal or criminal prosecutions in the local courts shall be conducted in the name of and by authority of "the People of the Virgin Islands of the United States."

(June 22, 1936, ch. 699, § 37, 49 Stat. 1817.)