

and is a registered voter and may be either a lawyer or layman.

The terms of the members of the Appellate Commission and the Trial Court Commissions are for four years. The terms of the present members expire in January, 1979.

The function of the Appellate Nominating Commission and the Trial Court Nominating Commissions is to consider and pass upon the qualifications of proposed appointees and to suggest to the Governor certain ones for vacant judicial offices to be filled by him on the Court of Appeals, the Court of Special Appeals, the County Circuit Courts, the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City and the newly established District Court.

THE MARYLAND JUDICIAL CONFERENCE

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The Maryland Judicial Conference was created by the Court of Appeals in 1971. Its membership includes all judges of the Court of Appeals, the Court of Special Appeals, the Circuit Courts including the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, and the District Courts. The Administrative Office of the Courts serves as the Secretariat for the Conference and all committees appointed by it. The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals serves as the Chairman of the Conference and appoints all committees. The function of the Conference is the submission of reports which recommend changes in existing rules or statutes. The Conference meets annually to present an educational program for all judges within the State (Rule 1226).

ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION

Chairman: George D. Solter, Jr., 1979
William A. Franch, 1977; William Wells Beckett, 1978; M. Peter Moser, 1978; James J. Cromwell, 1979; R. Taylor McLean, 1979; Raymond S. Smethurst, Jr., 1980.

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The Court of Appeals created this Commission in 1975 to supervise and administer the discipline and the inactive status of attorneys. The Commission consists of seven attorneys appointed by the Court of Appeals for four-year terms. The Court designates the Chairman. No member may serve more than one full term.

The members of the Commission are to investigate the possible misconduct of any attorney. The Commission also prosecutes discipline and investigates petitions for reinstatement, suspension or disbarment. At the same time, the Court of Appeals established a Disciplinary Fund the payment of which is required of an attorney for the first five years after the year in which he was admitted to the Bar. The Court also created an Inquiry Committee as well as a Review Board to act on these disciplinary cases (Rule 1100).

MARYLAND STATE LIBRARY

Library Committee

Chairman: Robert C. Murphy, *Chief Judge, Court of Appeals*
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The State Library was established by Chapter 53, Acts of 1826.

The Library Committee, which is composed of at least three members appointed by the Court of Appeals (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, sec. 155), exercises general supervision over the Library and appoints the Director (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, sec. 155).

The Library consists of a legal section of approximately seventy-two thousand (72,000) volumes, and a reference section of approxi-