

Jr., 1983; Harry L. Ballew, 1985; Leah S. Freedlander, 1985; George B. Reeves, 1985; *four vacancies.*

The State Planning Commission is an advisory board to the Department of State Planning. The Commission consists of thirteen members, each serving four-year terms. Eleven members representing the public are appointed by the Governor. Membership also includes an ex officio member of the State Senate appointed by the president of the Senate and an ex officio member of the House of Delegates appointed by the speaker. Members are selected as far as possible to reflect different broad geographic, economic, and social interests in the State. The chairperson is designated by the Governor.

The State Planning Commission advises and reports to the Secretary of State Planning on all matters submitted to it by the Secretary, such as the State Development Plan. It may also consider current operations and activities of the Department, the needs of the State for further development, the establishment of regional or metropolitan planning areas, the effectiveness of the Department and its planning activities, and the public awareness and understanding of the objectives and functions of State and local planning. The Commission may establish such subcommittees as may be necessary, and may, with the approval of the Secretary of State Planning, hold private or public hearings and sponsor public forums in any part of the State whenever it deems it necessary or useful in connection with its advisory functions (Code 1957, Art. C, secs. 1-11).

PATUXENT RIVER COMMISSION

Chairperson: Constance Lieder, *Secretary of State Planning*

James E. Gutman, *Anne Arundel County*; C. Bernard Fowler, *Calvert County*; Gary V. Hodge, *Charles County*; Ruth U. Keeton, *County Councilwoman, Howard County*; Alexander J. Greene, *Montgomery County*; Edgar A. Merkle, *Prince George's County*; Ford L. Dean, *County Commissioner, St. Mary's County*.

Ex officio members: Vacancy, *Secretary of Natural Resources*; William M. Eichbaum, *Assistant Secretary for Environmental Programs, Department of Health and Mental Hygiene*; Constance Lieder, *Secretary of State Planning*.

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Authorized by Chapter 746, Acts of 1980, the Patuxent River Commission was appointed by

the Governor in 1981. The Commission annually reviews the operation of State and local agencies in regard to the Patuxent River. It provides a clearinghouse for watershed information; reviews plans and comments on reports relevant to the river; and conducts public hearings. The Commission reviews the preparation and updating of the Patuxent River Policy Plan, and conducts public hearings and forums on the Plan.

The Commission is composed of ten members, one from each of the seven counties within the watershed and three ex officio members from the Departments of Health and Mental Hygiene, Natural Resources, and State Planning.

REGIONAL PLANNING COUNCIL

Chairperson: J. Hugh Nichols, *Howard County Executive*

Vice-Chairperson: Vacancy

Ex officio members: Lowell K. Bridwell, *Secretary of Transportation*; Charles R. Buck, Jr., *Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene*; Vacancy, *Secretary of Natural Resources*; Constance Lieder, *Secretary of State Planning*.

Members appointed by Governor: Vacancy, *State Senate*; Thomas B. Kernan, *House of Delegates*; Melvin C. Beall; James P. Chandler.

Appointed members: Anne Arundel County: James Lighthizer, *County Executive*; Wallace R. Childs, *Chairperson, County Council*; Vacancy, *Vice-Chairperson, Planning Advisory Board*.

Representative of the Municipalities: Richard L. Hillman, *Mayor of Annapolis*

Baltimore City: William D. Schaefer, *Mayor*; Clarence H. Burns, *President, City Council*; Charles S. Colson, *Chairperson, Planning Commission*.

Baltimore County: Donald P. Hutchinson, *County Executive*; Barbara F. Bachur, *Chairperson, County Council*; Dale Balfour, *Member, Planning Board*.

Carroll County: John L. Armacost, *President, Board of County Commissioners*; J. Jeffrey Griffith, *Vice-President, Board of County Commissioners*; James J. Schwartz, *Member, Planning and Zoning Commission*.

Harford County: Habern Freeman, Jr., *County Executive*; John W. Hardwicke, *President, County Council*; Vacancy, *Chairperson, Planning Advisory Board*.