

Subject to the approval of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals, the [director] ADMINISTRATOR may appoint employees necessary to carry out his duties. The PERSONS appointed [persons] shall have the compensation provided in the State budget.

(c)

Neither the [director] ADMINISTRATOR nor any employee of the administrative office of the courts may engage directly or indirectly in the practice of law.

(d)

The [director] STATE COURT ADMINISTRATOR, under the supervision and direction of the Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals of Maryland shall:

(1) Examine the state of the dockets of the courts and determine the need for assistance by any court;

(2) Make recommendations to the Chief Judge relating to assignment of judges to courts in need of assistance and carry out the directions of the chief judge as to assignment of judges;

(3) Collect and compile statistical and other data, make reports of the business transacted by the courts, and transmit this information to the Chief Judge in order that action may be taken in respect to it;

(4) Prepare and submit budget estimates of State appropriations necessary for maintenance and operation of the judicial system and make recommendations in respect to it;

(5) Draw any requisition for payment of State money appropriated for maintenance and operation of the judicial system;

(6) Collect statistical and other data and make reports relating to expenditure of State and local public money for maintenance and operation of the judicial system and the offices connected with it;

(7) Obtain reports in accordance with law or rules the Court of Appeals or the Chief Judge adopts on cases and other judicial business in which action is delayed beyond periods of time specified by law or rules of court, and report the information to the Chief Judge;

(8) Formulate and submit to the Chief Judge recommendations for improvement of the judicial system;