

1 way of knowing what to expect from an appointed attorney
2 general.

3 Would this appointed officer, in dealing with
4 matters of the importance of education, feel constrained
5 to consult with the Governor on purely legal questions?
6 Might not an appointed attorney general be bound by very
7 human and real considerations to have his views coincide
8 with those of the governor who appointed him and at whose
9 pleasure he is serving? Would not these very real dangers
10 be magnified if Maryland had a governor who was not him-
11 self a lawyer, who did not understand the labryinths of
12 the law and who might, in all good conscience, insist on
13 courses of action contrary to the law which he did not
14 understand?

15 We have, as has been noted previously, an
16 Attorney General responsible to the electorate of Mary-
17 land. We have a system wherein the attorney general has
18 served as a lawyer not only for the governor, but for every
19 department and agency of the State government, serving
20 all with equal vigor and independence.

21 I see no reason to depart from a well establishe