

Parole Officers:

James A. Cavanaugh.....	Baltimore
Thomas P. MacCarthy.....	Baltimore
J. Hubert Black.....	Woodbine

Parole Supervisor:

John H. McFaul, Jr.....	Baltimore
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Stenographers:

Miss Freda Winterling.....	Baltimore
Miss Eleanor G. Twining.....	Baltimore
Miss A. Elizabeth Paulus.....	Baltimore

The Governor with the consent of the Senate, appoints the Commissioner. He shall not be less than thirty years of age and shall have been a registered voter of the State of Maryland for at least four years prior to his appointment. He is appointed for a term of two years from the first Monday in May next ensuing his appointment, Ch. 29, Acts 1922 (Maryland Code 1924, Article 41, Sections 46-56).

It shall be the duty of the said Commissioner to investigate and to collect all information that may aid him in determining the advisability of recommending to the Governor the conditional pardon (parole) of all persons sentenced for one year or more to any penal institution of the State upon the expiration of one-third of the term for which each of such persons has been sentenced.

In pursuing his investigations, the Commissioner is assisted by a staff composed of, a Secretary, a Chief Parole Officer, three Parole Officers, a Parole Supervisor and three stenographers. He has been granted the power to summons witnesses and if necessary to examine them on their oath. The Commissioner, the Secretary and the Parole Officers appointed by the Commissioner, shall have the power to arrest, without warrant within the State, those violating the conditions of their parole. Furthermore the Commissioner shall have visitatorial powers over every institution receiving aid from the State, City or private sources, to which prisoners, whether adults or minors, are committed.

Being the only agency available for such purposes, the Department also undertakes the investigation of applications for Pardon to restore citizenship and for reduction in sentences imposed by the Courts, when requested to do so by the Governor.

Section 56, Article 41, Code of Public General Laws of Maryland, Chapter 125 (1937) authorized and directed the Governor to execute a Compact in behalf of the State of Maryland with any of the United States, for mutual helpfulness in relation to persons convicted of crime or offenses who may be placed on probation or released on parole. The State became signatory to such an Inter-State Compact on September 24, 1937. Under the terms of this Compact, the Hon. J. Cookman Boyd was appointed by the Governor as administrator thereof for the State of Maryland. It thus devolves upon the Parole Commissioner to administer the terms of the Compact and develop rules and regulations under its terms, to the end that there be a standardization of procedure throughout the country.

Section 1 of the Compact extends the jurisdiction of the administrator, during the probationary or parole period, to any person convicted of an offense within the State of Maryland, who may thereafter be placed on probation or released on parole.