

State. The authority, prerogatives and duties heretofore held and performed by the Adjutant General have, by the present law, been transferred to the Ranking Line Officer who is responsible only to the Governor, acting for and by his direction in all matters pertaining to the Military Department of the State.

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**MARYLAND STATE GUARD**  
Ch 33, 1941

Whenever any part of the National Guard of this State is in active federal service, the Governor is hereby authorized to organize and maintain within this State, during such period, under such regulations as the Secretary of War of the United States may prescribe for discipline and training, such military forces as the Governor may deem necessary; and the Governor is authorized to reduce the number of or disband such forces an any time he deems proper. Such forces shall be composed of officer commissioned or assigned, and such able bodied male citizens of the State as shall volunteer for service therein. Such forces shall be additional to and distinct from the National Guard and shall be known as THE MARYLAND STATE GUARD. Such forces shall be uniformed as the Governor may prescribe.

- Brigadier General Francis Petrott, Acting the Adjutant General
- Brigadier General Dwight H. Mohr, Commander, Maryland State Guard

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**MARYLAND VETERANS' COMMISSION**

Chapter 291 of the Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland, Session 1939, repealing and re-enacting with amendments, sections 57, 58 and 60 of Article 65 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, creates a Maryland Veterans' Commission composed of five Maryland Veterans, one of whom shall be designated by the Governor as Chairman, and all to be appointed by the Governor and to serve at his pleasure.

The Governor has appointed as members of this Commission:

Name.	Address.
Joseph A. Cantrel, Chairman	127 W. Bradley Lane, Chevy Chase, Md.
Godfrey Child	Peninsula Building, Pocomoke City, Md.
Thomas F. Conlon	15 N. Chase Street, Cumberland, Md.
James A. Haley	96 Gloucester Street, Annapolis, Md.
Herbert L. Rhodes	6401 St. Helena Ave., Baltimore, Md.

A sum of \$90,000.00 has been made available for the fiscal year 1940, not more than \$15,000.00 of which may be expended for administrative purposes, including salaries, in the nature of an emergency fund, to be used to provide the necessities of life for such Maryland veterans of the World War or any other war, or the widows or infant children of such veterans, as are sick, disabled or indigent and who are without means to pay for said necessities or for proper care; and for the purpose of providing the necessary funeral expenses of such veterans, and for the further purpose of providing reasonable compensation to members of the Maryland National Guard who are injured in line of duty; and in case any such members are killed in line of duty, then to the widows and infant children of such members. Said fund shall be distributed to such persons of the above classes and in such amounts as the Commission shall deem proper, subject, however, to