## WAR RECORDS DIVISION

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The War Records Division was established in 1945. The Division was established under delegation of authority from the Board of Public Works to the Maryland Historical Society for the purpose of collecting and assembling data and records in regard to Maryland's participation in World War II. The Division is securing information regarding the service record of each Maryland resident who was a member of the Armed Forces during the War. In addition the Division is collecting data concerning the participation of Maryland industry as well as information about the activities of civic and patriotic groups during the War. The Division is further authorized to publish such material as is necessary to give a complete and accurate history of Maryland's participation in and contribution to World War II (Acts 1945, Ch. 728).

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## MARYLAND VETERANS COMMISSION

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The Maryland Veterans Commission is composed of five members appointed by the Governor, all of whom must be veterans. The Commission appoints the State Service Officer, who serves as administrative director of the agency. The State Commanders of the American Legion, the Veterans of Foreign Wars, the Disabled American Veterans, and the Spanish-American War Veterans serve as an advisory committee to the Commission.

The Commission administers a fund, appropriated annually, to provide the necessities of life to distressed veterans, widows of veterans and their infant children, to provide medical care for those who are ill, and funeral expenses for deceased veterans. The agency also assists veterans and their dependents in securing federal aid to which they may be entitled. The Commission is further responsible for the maintenance of a permanent registry of graves of all persons who served in the military or naval forces of the country in time of war and are buried in Maryland (Code 1947 Supp., Art. 96½, secs. 3-7). The Commission, in addition to its main office, has information centers located in the following cities:

Baltimore: 713 Veterans Administration Building

Chestertown: Courthouse

Chevy Chase: Recreational Center, 4700 Norwood Drive

Crisfield: State Armory