

**DEPARTMENT OF POST-MORTEM EXAMINERS**

**Maryland Post-Mortem Examiners Commission**

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The Department of Post-Mortem Examiners created by Chapter 369, Acts of 1939 to replace a decentralized system of local coroners, is directed by a commission composed of a representative of the State Department of Health, the Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City, the Superintendent of Maryland State Police, and the Professors of Pathology at The Johns Hopkins University and the University of Maryland. The Department replaced the coroners of Baltimore City by a Chief and two Assistant Medical Examiners, and the county coroners by Deputy Medical Examiners. In 1957 the General Assembly authorized three Assistant Medical Examiners and an Assistant Toxicologist. In 1965 an additional Assistant Medical Examiner and an Immunochemist were added and in 1969 a Deputy Chief Medical Examiner and an additional Toxicologist were authorized. The Commission appoints all personnel. The medical examiners investigate violent and suspicious deaths or deaths unattended by a physician throughout the State. They must file a report of all deaths investigated with the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner.

The records of the Department are open for inspection to the family of the deceased and are acceptable in Court as evidence of the facts contained. The county pays the Deputy Medical Examiners for each death investigated. The State Comptroller pays the salaries of the Chief Medical Examiner, the Assistant Medical Examiners, and the Toxicologists, and the expenses of performing autopsies in the counties and the transportation of bodies incident thereto. All other expenses of the Department are paid by the City of Baltimore (Code 1957, 1966 Repl. Vol., Art. 22).

Appropriations	1969	1970
Special Funds .....	\$389,441	\$390,696
Staff: 53. Deputy Medical Examiners, Substitutes and Pathologists: 96.		

**STATE DEPARTMENT OF JUVENILE SERVICES**

**Advisory Board of Juvenile Services**

Chairman: George B. Rasin, Jr., 1972

Frederick J. Brown, 1970; William Lewis Holder, 1970; Ernest A. Loveless, Jr., 1970; Virginia Richardson, 1970; Lt. Col. Wilbour Conroy, 1971; Charles A. Harris, 1971; Robert I. H. Hammerman, 1971; John L. Pitts, 1971; Richard Bateman, 1972; Mrs. John B. Funk, 1972; Donald E. Webster, 1972.