

The Governor is Commander-in-Chief of the military forces of the State — i.e. the National Guard — except when such forces are called into the national service. If the National Guard is thus called, he may establish a State Guard.

The Governor appoints all military and civil officers of the State subject to the advice and consent of the Senate, except when the election or appointment of such officer is otherwise provided for. In addition to appointing the heads of major departments, boards, and commissions of the State Government, the Governor appoints certain boards and commissions in each county and the City of Baltimore as is provided by law. The Governor also commissions Justices of the Peace and Notaries Public and appoints persons to unexpired terms of the offices of Attorney General, Comptroller, Treasurer, and members of the General Assembly. Any officer appointed by the Governor, excepting members of the General Assembly, shall be removable by him for cause.

The Governor may grant executive clemency, reprieves, or pardons to any person who is a prisoner of the State and may remit any fine or portion thereof to any person who has paid the fine. He may extradite prisoners or persons wanted by other States upon the presentation of a writ of extradition and may issue a warrant for the arrest of any person so wanted. The Governor may also ask for the return to this State of any prisoner or person of another State wanted for the violation of the laws of Maryland (II, 20).

Staff: 78.

**GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE COUNCIL**

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The Governor's Executive Council, established by Chapter 156, Acts of 1969, superseded the Governor's Advisory Council created by Chapter 29, Acts of 1922. It was created for the purpose of coordination and effective direction and supervision of the State government. The Council consists of the Governor, the Lieutenant Governor, the Secretary of State, and all Secretaries of principal departments serving at the pleasure of the Governor. The Governor may designate or appoint an Executive Secretary for the Council (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 41, sec. 44); (1975 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 77, sec. 5; 1975 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 77A, sec. 29).