

Administration. In Baltimore County, it is appointed by the County Executive, and in Harford, Howard and Prince George's counties by the Executive with Council confirmation. In Montgomery County, the Council makes the appointments, and in Wicomico County, they are made by the Council in Executive session. In Talbot County, the Manager performs that function.

B. COUNTY COMMISSIONERS AND CODE HOME RULE COUNTIES

Boards of County Commissioners: Elected by the voters for four-year terms. The number of Commissioners for each county varies (Const. 1867, Arts. VII, XVII; Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 25).

Clerk to the Board of County Commissioners: Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners. In Dorchester and Frederick Counties, the office is known as the Administrative Assistant to the Board of County Commissioners (Chapter 63, Acts of 1972; Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 25, sec. 1).

Attorney to the Board of County Commissioners: Appointed by the Board of County Commissioners (Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 25, sec. 1).

County Treasurers: Elected by the voters for four-year terms (Const. 1867, Art. XVII; Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 25, secs. 51, 51-A).

C. OFFICERS COMMON TO ALL COUNTIES

Supervisor of Assessments: Appointed by the State Department of Assessments and Taxation for an indefinite term from a list of five persons submitted by the Board of County Commissioners or County Councils, Mayor of Baltimore City or County Executive with Council approval (Code 1957, 1975 Repl. Vol., Art. 81, sec. 233).

Property Tax Assessment Appeals Boards: Consists of three members appointed by the Governor from a list of three persons for each vacancy submitted to the Governor by the Mayor of Baltimore City, the County

Commissioners or County Council, or if the county's charter provides for a County Executive, the County Executive with Council approval. Members are appointed to terms of five years. The Governor designates the chairman. Chapter 784, Acts of 1973 abolished the former Appeals Tax Courts in the charter counties (Code 1957, 1975 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 81, sec. 248).

Board of Supervisors of Elections: Consists of three members, one of whom must be the minority party member, appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, for two-year terms (Code 1957, 1976 Repl. Vol., Art. 33, sec. 2-1 (a)). In Caroline, Dorchester and Kent counties the members are appointed with the advice and consent of the House of Delegates if there is no resident Senator for those counties (Code 1957, 1976 Repl. Vol., Art. 33, sec. 2-1 (e)).

Permanent Board of Registry: One member appointed by the majority members of the Board of Supervisors of Elections and one member appointed by the minority member of the Board of Supervisors of Elections (Code 1957, 1976 Repl. Vol., Art. 33, sec. 3-10).

Director of Civil Defense: Appointed by the Governor for an indefinite term (Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., 1976 Supp., Art. 16A, sec. 7).

Deputy Medical Examiner: Appointed by the Commission of Post-Mortem Examiners for an indefinite term (Code 1957, 1973 Repl. Vol., Art. 22, sec. 3).

Health Officers: Appointed for an indefinite term by the governing body of the county, with the approval of the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The governing body of the county serves ex officio as the local board of health (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., Art. 43, secs. 45-53).

Physical Fitness Commissions: Appointed by the Governor upon the recommendation of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene for indefinite terms. The Commission is composed of 15-25 members in each county and Baltimore City. The Secretary