

## BOARD OF AIRPORT ZONING APPEALS

*Chairperson:* Leroy E. Kirby, Jr., 1983

Appointed Members: Edward A. Griffith, 1982; George E. Mills, 1982; Patricia K. Krehnbrink, 1983; Josephine Thanner, 1984; John S. Ward, 1984; *two vacancies.*

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This Board was created to help enforce the BWI Airport Noise Zone Regulations. These regulations establish a "noise zone" around BWI Airport, within which zone new land development is prohibited if it is incompatible with airport noise levels.

The Board of Airport Zoning Appeals, originally created by Chapter 450, Acts of 1968, had its membership altered and reconstituted by Chapter 443, Acts of 1976. The Board now consists of eight members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Transportation and the advice and consent of the Senate.

Three members of the Board must be residents of Anne Arundel County. Three members represent Baltimore County and two, including the chairperson, represent areas in which a State-owned airport is not located. The chairperson of the Board is designated by the Governor. Members serve four-year terms.

The Board is authorized and empowered to hear, decide, and grant specific variances from airport zoning regulations in cases of practical difficulty or unnecessary hardship (Code Transportation Article, sec. 5-506).

## MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION

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The Office of the Commissioner of Motor Vehicles was established by Chapter 207, Acts of 1910. The Legislature changed this title to the Department of Motor Vehicles by Chapter 1007, Acts of 1943. By Chapter 526, Acts of 1970, the Department was placed within the Maryland Department of Transportation and became the Mo-

tor Vehicle Administration (Code Transportation Article, secs. 12-101 through 12-209).

## OPERATIONS

Charles F. Pfaff, *Chief Deputy Administrator*

## DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

Nance Stamboni, *Associate Administrator*

This Division is responsible for licensing motor vehicle dealers, manufacturers, wreckers and scrap processors, professional driving schools, and title service agents. The Division also ensures that each school bus is inspected for safety three times a year. With the powers of licensing and investigation, the Division ensures that dealers and others in the automotive business honor their agreements and warranties. Consumer complaints are handled by this Division.

## DIVISION OF VEHICLE REGISTRATION

Donald W. Harrison, *Director*

This Division is responsible for titling and registering all passenger and commercial vehicles in Maryland. The Division also collects the five percent excise tax imposed on vehicles titled in the state, the annual registration fees, and issues registration tags.

## DIVISION OF DRIVER EXAMINATION AND LICENSING

Lt. Col. John Satterfield, *Director*

The Division of Driver Examination and Licensing is responsible for conducting examinations of all new drivers and renewing motor vehicle operators' licenses.

Examinations include testing of the applicant's visual acuity, knowledge of motor vehicle laws, and the ability to operate a motor vehicle safely.

Maryland licenses are now classified according to the type of vehicle the driver will operate and are designated A, B, C, D, and E. Any class license will authorize the licensee to operate vehicles in that particular class, except E, providing the licensee meets the age requirements of the several classes. The five classes are as follows: Class A—Required to operate tractor-trailers;