

Mandel and wife Rebecca Cohen. Jewish. Married (1) Barbara Oberfeld; (2) Jeanne Blackstone Dorsey. ¹⁹	1923	Albert C. Ritchie (D)	177,871
		Alexander Armstrong (R)	137,471
1979-. Harry Hughes. Democrat. Born in Easton, November 13, 1926, the son of Jonathan L. Hughes and wife Helen Roe. Episcopalian. Married Patricia Donoho. Attorney. Resident of Baltimore City when elected.	1926	Albert C. Ritchie (D)	207,435
		Addison E. Mullikin (R)	148,145
	1930	Albert C. Ritchie (D)	283,639
		William F. Broening (R)	216,864
	1934	Harry W. Nice (R)	253,813
		Albert C. Ritchie (D)	247,664
	1938	Herbert R. O'Connor (D)	308,372
		Harry W. Nice (R)	242,095
	1942	Herbert R. O'Connor (D)	198,488
		Theodore R. McKeldin (R)	179,204
	1946	William Preston Lane, Jr. (D)	268,084
		Theodore R. McKeldin (R)	221,752
	1950	Theodore R. McKeldin (R)	369,807
		William Preston Lane, Jr. (D)	275,824
	1954	Theodore R. McKeldin (R)	381,451
		Harry Clifton Byrd (D)	319,033
	1958	J. Millard Tawes (D)	485,061
		James P. S. Devereux (R)	278,173
	1962	J. Millard Tawes (D)	428,071
		Frank Small, Jr. (R)	341,271
	1966	Spiro T. Agnew (R)	455,318
		George P. Mahoney (D)	373,543
		Hyman A. Pressman (I)	90,899
	1970	Marvin Mandel (D)	639,579
		C. Stanley Blair (R)	314,336
		Robert Woods Merkle, Sr. (A)	19,184
	1974	Marvin Mandel (D)	602,648
		Louise Gore (R)	346,449
	1978	Harry Hughes (D)	718,328
		J. Glenn Beall, Jr. (R)	293,635

Party Affiliation: (D) Democrat; (R) Republican; (I) Independent; (A) American. For gubernatorial election results prior to the adoption of the Constitution of 1867, see Frank F. White, Jr., *The Governors of Maryland, 1777-1970* (Hall of Records Commission Publication No. 15, Annapolis, 1970), Appendix A.

GOVERNORS' COUNCILS, 1777-1838

The Constitution of 1776 (Art. 26) provided that both houses of the Legislature elect by joint ballot five men to be "the Council to the Governor." This was an advisory body of considerable influence. It was also provided that on the death, removal, or incapacity of the governor the first named of the Council should become governor and proceed to the calling of a special session of the Legislature for the election of a new governor. The Council was abolished in 1838 by means of a constitutional amendment (Acts 1836, ch. 197, sec. 13; Acts 1837, ch. 84).

¹⁹Chapter 576, Acts of 1970, changed the date of the beginning of the governor's term to the third Wednesday in January following his election. By letter dated June 4, 1977, Governor Mandel notified Lieutenant Governor Blair Lee III that Lee would serve as acting governor until further notice according to the terms of Article 2, Section 6b of the Maryland Constitution. Lee continued to act in the capacity of acting governor until January 15, 1979, when Mandel rescinded his letter of June 4, 1977, two days before the expiration of his second full elective term. Governor Mandel designated Lee acting governor again for a brief period on January 16 to permit Lee to preside at the installation of Rita C. Davidson to the Court of Appeals.