

the Governor the name of the person or persons it finds to be legally and professionally qualified. The Commission reports to the Governor in writing within seventy days after notification that a vacancy exists or is about to occur. The Governor exercises his power of appointment or rejection within thirty days of receipt of the Commission's report.

The Commission may reprimand or recommend to the Governor the removal from office of the State Prosecutor if after a hearing it finds that he is guilty of misconduct in office, fails to perform the duties of his office, or if his conduct is prejudicial to the proper administration of justice. In addition, the Commission is empowered to investigate allegations made against the State Prosecutor which, if true, may warrant his removal or discipline, upon complaint or upon its own motion. In this regard, the Commission may conduct hearings, administer oaths and affirmations, issue process to compel attendance of witnesses and the production of evidence, and require persons to testify and produce evidence by granting them immunity from prosecution, penalty, or forfeiture.

The Commission consists of the Attorney General, who serves as an ex officio but voting member, and six persons appointed by the Governor. Of the appointed members, two persons (only one of whom shall be a lawyer) are selected from among two or more nominees submitted by the President of the Senate, and two persons (only one of whom shall be a lawyer) are selected from among two or more nominees submitted by the Speaker of the House of Delegates. These persons may not be members of the General Assembly or full-time State employees. One person is selected from among one or more nominees submitted by the Board of Governors of the Maryland State Bar Association, Inc. One person is selected from among one or more nominees submitted by the Governing Board of the Maryland State's Attorneys' Association, Inc. This person shall be an incumbent State's Attorney at the time of appointment and throughout the term of service on the Commission. Members serve four-year terms and are eligible for reappointment. The Governor designates the chairperson (Code 1957, Art. 10, secs. 33D-33F).

#### **COMMISSION ON THE STATE PUBLICATIONS DEPOSITORY AND DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM**

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The Commission on the State Publications Depository and Distribution Program was created by Chapter 912, Acts of 1982. The Commission oversees the State Publications Depository and Distribution Program, which is part of the State Library Resource Center at the Enoch Pratt Free Library. Under this program, each State agency is required to furnish the State Library Resource Center with a sufficient quantity of the agency's publications for the Center, in turn, to distribute to designated depository libraries. These libraries include the State Library Resource Center, the Department of Legislative Reference Library, the State Archives, the Maryland State Law Library, the McKeldin Library of the University of Maryland, the U. S. Library of Congress, and any other library designated by the Commission. As of July 1, 1984, the following additional libraries had been granted depository status: Salisbury State College Library; Government Reference Service of the Washington County Free Library; Montgomery County Public Library—Rockville Branch; Frostburg State College Library; Southern Maryland Regional Library at La Plata; Towson State University Library; University of Maryland Baltimore County Library; and Langsdale Library of the University of Baltimore. Each State agency is also required to designate an agency publications contact person and notify the State Library Resource Center of the designation.

The Commission is authorized to promote the effective dissemination and use of State publications, grant depository status to geographically dispersed libraries, and adopt rules and policies for the uniform identification, collection, distribution, accessibility, and retention of State publications. It advises the Program in implementing the duties of the Commission, provides for access to State publications, and reports annually to the Governor on Program operations and effectiveness.

Appointed by the Governor, the Commission consists of nine members. Three represent depository libraries, three represent State agencies, and three are appointed from the general public. Members serve four-year terms (Code Education Article, secs. 23-2A-01 through 23-2A-05).