

Correctional Services, the Commission appoints an Executive Director, to serve at its pleasure (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 70A).

c/o Dept. of Public Safety and Correctional Services

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CRIMINAL INJURIES COMPENSATION BOARD

Chairperson: Russell C. Milburn, 1988

Jeffrey R. Schmieler, 1987; Sheila D. Brooks, 1991

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Established in 1968, the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board assists victims of crime (Chapter 455, Acts of 1968). The Board administers a compensation program for innocent persons suffering physical injury or death as a result of criminal acts or in their efforts to prevent crime or apprehend persons committing or attempting to commit crimes. The Board maintains an office and staff to hear claims for awards filed with it.

Created in 1984, the Explosives Advisory Council advises, assists, and recommends to the Department rules and regulations for the storage, use, manufacture, and transportation of explosives material (Chapter 694, Acts of 1984). The Council reviews Department rule and regulation proposals that affect the manufacture, use, or distribution of explosives, and recommends changes in State laws regulating them. On a continual basis, it reviews new developments in the explosives industry, including safety precautions, techniques for blasting, and federal regulations.

The Council consists of not more than 19 members. They are appointed to five-year terms by the Governor. The Council reports annually to the Governor, the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, and the Fire Marshal (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 4-106).

FIRE MARSHAL

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Appointed by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, the State Fire Marshal enforces all laws of the State dealing with fire prevention, electrical safety, and the storage, sale, and use of explosives and combustibles. The State Fire Marshal also enforces all State laws on installation and maintenance of fire detection and control equipment, fire exits in public buildings, and suppression of arson (Code 1957, Art. 38A).

The Board consists of three members appointed for five-year terms by the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services, with the approval of the Governor and the advice and consent of the Senate. No more than two members may belong to the same political party. One member must have been admitted to the practice of law in Maryland for not less than five years prior to appointment. With the approval of the Governor, the Secretary designates the chairperson. The Board appoints the executive director through the State Merit System (Code 1957, Art. 26A).

FIRE PREVENTION COMMISSION

EXPLOSIVES ADVISORY COUNCIL

Chairperson: John A. Conkling, Ph.D., 1990

G. Alan Foster, 1987; James E. Kaza, 1987; Donald H. Matthews, 1987; Col. N. W. Meritt, 1987; William D. Ramsey, 1987; Leslie B. Thompson, 1987; C. Oscar Baker, 1988; John E. Carey, 1988; Ruthie J. Divel, 1988; Anthony P. Fabrizi, 1988; Cathy Herndon, 1988; Lawrence Lundy, 1988; Paul Douglas Curtis, 1989; Robert N. Dempsey, 1989; Rocco J. Gabriele, 1989; John Wayne Moser, 1989; Frank T. Turner, 1989; Charles A. Wheeler, 1989.

Chairperson: C. Oscar Baker, 1990

McNeill Baker, 1987; Wayne Smith, 1987; Leslie B. Thompson, 1987; Jack T. Dorsey, 1988; Daniel B. Smith, Sr., 1988; Michael C. Gibbons, 1989; Merhl D. Remsberg, 1989; Smith N. Stathem, 1991.

The Fire Prevention Commission was established by Chapter 46, Acts of 1964, to replace the position of ex officio Fire Marshal held by the Insurance Commissioner since 1916 (Chapter 521, Acts of 1916). The Commission promulgates regulations for the safeguarding of life and property