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The Maryland School for the Deaf was established in 1868 as a free public residential school for deaf and hard-of-hearing children who reside in the State (Chapter 247, Acts of 1867; Chapter 409, Acts of 1868).

Legislation in 1968 authorized a branch of the Maryland School for the Deaf to be located near the population center of the State (Chapter 462, Acts of 1968). This branch, called Columbia Campus Maryland School for the Deaf, is administered and operated as part of and subject to the Maryland School for the Deaf. The first phase of the Columbia Campus opened in September 1973 (Code Education Article, sec. 8-304).

The Maryland Schools for the Deaf offer an academic education similar to that of public schools and in addition provide thorough instruction in communications skills, including speech and speech reading, signs and finger spelling, auditory training, and use of individual hearing aids. In addition to the academic program, courses of study in vocational education are also offered to both male and female students. The Schools offer a broad athletic and physical education program, as well as a wide range of social and recreational activities. Vocational rehabilitation services are available to all graduating students to assist them in seeking employment, vocational or technical training, or higher education.

The Governor appoints the thirty members of the Schools' Board of Visitors for indefinite terms.

Information pertaining to the program is available upon request.

## **DOMICILIARY CARE FACILITIES BOARD**

*Chairperson:* Constance Lieder, *Secretary of State Planning*

Sarah Galloway; David Harmon; Geraldine Hight; Sally C. Myers; Alfreda Pinkney. *Terms expire 1990.*

*Ex officio:* Rosalie S. Abrams, *Director on Aging;* Ruth Massinga, *Secretary of Human Resources;* Adele Wilzack, *Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene.*

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The Domiciliary Care Facilities Board was created by the Governor at the request of the General Assembly in 1984 (Joint Resolution no. 23, Acts of 1984). In 1986, the Board was established by law (Chapter 726, Acts of 1986). The Board formulates and implements policy and coordinates agency responsibility for implementing policy and programs related to domiciliary care. The Board also reviews and approves policies and regulations that govern domiciliary care facilities and related programs.

Chaired by the Secretary of State Planning, the Board consists of nine members. Four serve *ex officio*. Five are appointed by the Governor and include a Maryland Disability Law Center representative, a domiciliary care facility provider, and three consumers. Members serve four-year terms (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 10-601).

## **MARYLAND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION**

### **Board of Directors**

*Chairperson:* J. Michael McWilliams, 1988

H. Lee Boatwright, 1987; Merle S. Elliott, 1987; Charles Fink, 1987; Jerry Lymas, 1988; Donald L. DeVries, Sr., 1988; Sister Kathleen Feeley, 1988; Ronald L. Bowers, 1990; Kenneth H. Michael, 1990; Edmond F. Rovner, 1990.

*Ex officio:* J. Randall Evans, *Secretary of Economic and Employment Development;* Richard H. Trainor, *Secretary of Transportation.*

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Created in 1984, the Maryland Economic Development Corporation is a public instrumentality of the State (Chapter 498, Acts of 1984). The Corporation enables the State to develop property for economic purposes. To serve the public interest,