

Prince George's County Planning Board: Roy I. Dabney, 1987; Margaret S. Yewell, 1987; Edgar B. Keller, Jr., 1988; Samuel Y. Botts, 1990.

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Created in 1927, the Maryland-National Capital Park and Planning Commission has jurisdiction over parks and planning in Montgomery and Prince George's counties (Chapter 448, Acts of 1927). The Commission exercises its authority over all of the two counties except for certain incorporated municipalities.

The Commission is composed of ten members. Five are residents of Montgomery County, and five are from Prince George's. The five members from each county make up the county's planning board.

Within the Maryland-Washington Metropolitan District the Commission is empowered to acquire, develop, maintain, and operate parks systems with recreational facilities, the expense of which, including debt service, is paid from a separate park tax levied within the district.

Taking into account all factors of urban, suburban, rural, and regional planning, the Commission is empowered to make, adopt, and amend a General Plan for the physical development of the Maryland-Washington Regional District. The Planning Boards make zoning recommendations to their respective County Councils, sitting as District Councils, for the portion of the district within their county to enact the zoning ordinances and change the zoning map. The Planning Boards have exclusive responsibility for subdivision approval, location and grades of streets, location of public buildings and utilities, and street naming and house numbering. The administration and planning expenses of the Commission are paid from an administrative tax levied within the regional district.

Commission members serve four-year terms. In Montgomery County, three members are appointed by the County Council and confirmed by the County Executive, and two members are appointed by the County Executive and confirmed by the County Council. In Prince George's County, the County Executive appoints all five members subject to County Council confirmation. Not more than three members from each county's Planning Board may be members of the same political party. The appointing authority designates the chairperson of the Planning Board. Chairing of the Commission alternates on a fiscal year basis between the two planning board chairpersons. The alternate becomes vice-chairperson.

The Commission appoints the executive director, general counsel, and secretary-treasurer. The parks director, planning director, and community relations manager for each county are appointed by the Planning Boards (Code 1957, Art. 28, secs. 1-101 through 8-125).

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The Maryland Charter of 1632 empowered Lord Baltimore to raise troops to put down insurrection or rebellion and to subdue enemies of the province. Since that time the training, organization, maintenance, and administration of the Maryland Militia have been an integral part of the State's functions. The present military establishment of Maryland conforms to Title 32 of the U.S. Code and regulations issued pursuant thereto, and to the Militia Law of Maryland (Code 1957, Art. 65).

The Adjutant General is appointed by the Governor with the consent of the Senate (Const. 1867, Art. IX, sec. 2). The Adjutant General is head of the Military Department and exercises all his powers and duties under the Militia Law of Maryland.

The Military Department prepares all State forms and records required for militia use and the