ment; Department of Natural Resources; Department of Transportation; State Archives; Comptroller of the Treasury; General Assembly; Juvenile Services Agency; State Retirement and Pension Systems; Secretary of State; and Maryland Stadium Authority.

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ANTITRUST DIVISION

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The Antitrust Division was created in 1972 and is headed by an assistant attorney general (Chapter 357, Acts of 1972). The Division enforces the Maryland Antitrust Act, which governs restraints of trade, unfair competition, monopolies, and other acts or practices that restrain or tend to restrain trade and commerce within the State. The Act calls for both civil and criminal enforcement of its provisions and permits the Attorney General to cooperate with officials of the federal government and the several states in the enforcement of the antitrust laws (Code Commercial Law Article, secs. 11-201 through 11-213).

CITIZEN INQUIRY AND VICTIM ASSISTANCE UNIT

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STATE BOARD OF VICTIM SERVICES

Chairperson:

J. Joseph Curran, Jr., Attorney General

Appointed by Governor: not yet appointed

Appointed by Chief Judge, Court of Appeals: Judith C. Levinson

Ex officio: Benjamin R. Wolman, Chairperson, Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; Ruth Massinga, Secretary of Human Resources; Linda D'Amario Rossi, Director, Juvenile Services Agency; Bishop L. Robinson, Secretary of Public Safety & Correctional Services.

Vacancy, Victim Services Coordinator

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The State Board of Victim Services was created within the Office of the Attorney General in 1988

(Chapter 256, Acts of 1988). The Board advises the Attorney General on services needed by victims of crime. The Board also reviews the plans and annual reports of the Victim Services Coordinator as well as the implementation, operation, and revision of programs by the Coordinator.

The Victim Services Coordinator is appointed by the Attorney General upon recommendation of the State Board of Victim Services.

The Board has fifteen members. The Governor appoints nine members who serve for five-year terms. The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals appoints a member of the Judiciary to a five-year term. Five members serve ex officio: the Attorney General or designee; Chairperson, Maryland Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; Secretary of Human Resources or designee; Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services or designee; and Director, Juvenile Services Agency or designee. The Attorney General serves as chairperson (Code State Government Article, secs. 6.5-101 through 6.5-205).

DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION

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The Division of Consumer Protection was created in 1967 (Chapter 338, Acts of 1967). The Division is headed by an assistant attorney general who is Chief of the Division. The Division oversees the control and regulation of unfair and deceptive trade practices. It is responsible for enforcement of civil remedies through court litigation, administrative hearings, complaint mediation, and arbitration. The Division also is charged with recommending legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly to protect the public from fraudulent schemes and promotions.

In addition to undertaking its own enforcement activities, where appropriate, the Division reports information about violations of laws affecting consumers to other law enforcement officers. It seeks to develop and conduct programs of consumer education and information through publications and other materials prepared for the public. The Division undertakes activities to encourage business and industry to maintain high standards of honesty, fair business practices, and public responsibility in the production, promotion, and sales of consumer goods and services (Code Commercial Law Article, secs. 13-101 through 13-501).