ing where incarceration may result pursuant to a judicial commitment of individuals to public or private institutions.

Within the Office of the Public Defender are the Appellate Division, the Inmate Services Division, the Mental Health Division, and the Capital Defense Division.

The Appellate Division processes all appeals to the appellate courts. The Inmate Services Division offers legal assistance to all indigent inmates who have legal problems concerning their incarceration. The Mental Health Division furnishes counsel to all persons involuntarily committed to facilities under the jurisdiction of or licensed by the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. The Capital Defense Division provides representation statewide to those persons charged with capital crimes and provides assistance to public and private attorneys who are representing persons so charged. Office services apply only to representation in or with respect to the courts of Maryland.

The Board of Trustees of the Public Defender system consists of three members appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. Two members must be active attorneys-at-law.

Appointed by the Board of Trustees, the Public Defender must be an attorney-at-law, who has been admitted to practice law in Maryland by the Court of Appeals and engaged in the practice of law for a period of five years prior to appointment. The Public Defender, with the approval of the Board of Trustees, appoints the Deputy Public Defender and, for each district of the District Court, appoints one District Public Defender who must possess the same qualifications as the Public Defender. Assistant Public Defenders also may be appointed by the Public Defender with the advice of the District Public Defenders (Code 1957, Art. 27A).

DISTRICT ADVISORY BOARDS FOR THE PUBLIC DEFENDER SYSTEM

Each District Advisory Board for the Public Defender system studies and observes the operation of its district public defender office. The Board advises the Public Defender and its district public defender with respect to panels of attorneys, fees, and other matters pertaining to the operation of the district public defender office and the Public Defender system.

Twelve District Advisory Boards serve the Public Defender system. Composed of five members, each Board represents a district of the District Court. One member is the judge of the Circuit Court or the District Court in the district. Four members must be active attorneys-at-law; they are appointed by the Governor for three-year terms. Annually, the Governor designates the chairperson of each board (Code 1957, Art. 27A, sec. 10).

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 FY1991 Total Appropriation
 \$7,911,328

 General Funds
 \$7,911,328

 FY1991 Total Authorized Positions
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MANDATED REPORTS

Annual Report to Governor & General Assembly due third Wednesday of March.

Annual Report to General Assembly on terminations of service during previous heating season due June 1.

Report to General Assembly on evaluation of dual party telephone relay service due July 1, 1992.

Report to General Assembly on Telephone Lifeline Service Program due Jan. 1, 1992.

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