

The Board's eleven members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. One member represents a telephone utility company operating in Maryland. One member each represents the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services, the Maryland State Police, the Maryland Public Service Commission, and the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers. Of two members representing county fire services in Maryland, one represents career fire services and the other volunteer fire services. One member represents police services, one represents emergency management services, and two represent the public. The Governor designates the chairperson (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 18-101 through 18-108).

HANDGUN PERMIT REVIEW BOARD

Donald A. Westcott, *Chairperson*, 1996
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The Handgun Permit Review Board was created in 1972 (Chapter 13, Acts of 1972).

Any person whose application for a handgun permit or renewal of a permit has been rejected or whose permit has been revoked or limited may ask the Board to review the decision of the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police. The Board can either sustain, reverse, or modify the decision of the Superintendent, or conduct a hearing to establish the facts.

From the general public, the Governor appoints the Board's five members with Senate advice and consent. Members serve three-year terms (Code 1957, Art. 27, sec. 36E).

INMATE GRIEVANCE OFFICE

Marvin N. Robbins, *Executive Director*
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The Inmate Grievance Office originated as the Inmate Grievance Commission in 1971 to adjudicate inmate grievances and complaints (Chapter 210, Acts of 1971). The Commission was reorganized under its present name in 1991 (Chapter 251, Acts of 1991).

Any person confined to an institution within the Division of Correction, or otherwise in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction, or confined to Patuxent Institution may submit any grievance or complaint against any official or employee of the Division of Correction or Patuxent Institution to the Inmate Grievance Office. A grievance or complaint that merits further consideration is referred to the Office of Administrative Hearings.

With the approval of the Governor, the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services appoints the Executive Director (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 4-102.1).

SUNDRY CLAIMS BOARD

Chairperson: J. Basil Wisner, designee of Comptroller of the Treasury
Marvin N. Robbins, *Secretary*
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The Sundry Claims Board was established in 1961 (Chapter 440, Acts of 1961). The Board administers claims filed by any prisoner who has been injured in the course of employment while working for compensation in the Patuxent Institution, or the Baltimore City Detention Center.

Three ex officio members or their designees serve on the Board. The Governor designates the chairperson and secretary (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 4-701).

MARYLAND STATE POLICE

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The Maryland State Police originated in 1935 (Chapter 303, Acts of 1935). The agency is charged with enforcing State motor vehicle and criminal laws and safeguarding the lives and safety of all persons within the State. The agency protects property and assists all persons to secure the equal protection of law. The agency also preserves the public peace; detects and prevents crime; and enforces the laws and ordinances of the State and its local subdivisions. It apprehends and arrests criminals and those who violate or are lawfully accused of violating such laws and ordinances; and preserves order in public places. In addition, the agency maintains the safe, orderly flow of traffic on public streets and highways and cooperates with and assists law enforcement agencies in carrying out their duties.

The Maryland State Police has statewide jurisdiction except in incorporated municipalities. Within municipalities the agency may exercise jurisdiction under certain conditions, as regulated by statute (Code 1957, Art. 88B, secs. 3, 4, 20, and 23). The State Police also enforces the laws relating to controlled dangerous substances (narcotics) throughout the State with no jurisdictional limitations (Code 1957, Art. 27, sec. 298(g)).

Appointed by the Governor with Senate advice and consent, the Superintendent serves at the pleasure of the Governor. The Superintendent may designate two deputy superintendents with the approval of the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services (Code 1957, Art. 88B, secs. 14, 16).

The Maryland State Police is organized into four bureaus: Administrative Services; Special Operations; Drug Enforcement; and Field Operations. The Maryland