

The Trust supervises and directs the renovation, design, and furnishing of the seven State rooms of Government House, the official residence of the Governor. The State rooms include the center hall, the conservatory, the private reception room, the State dining room, the State drawing room, the State parlour, and the State reception room. The Trust also is responsible for landscaping the grounds of Government House, conserving and restoring objects in the State rooms, and carrying out the maintenance of the State rooms. An inventory of furnishings in Government House is maintained by the Department of General Services.

On behalf of the State, the Trust may receive and accept gifts and loans of property for use in the State rooms of Government House. No improvement, alteration, addition, removal, or other change in the internal design or furnishings of any State room of Government House is authorized unless approved by the Trust. In performing its duties and responsibilities, the Trust consults with and seeks the advice of the Commission on Artistic Property, and the Board of Trustees and Council of the Maryland Historical Society.

The Trust consists of seventeen members. Fourteen are ex officio members, five of whom are voting members. Three nonvoting public members also are appointed by the Governor. The Secretary of General Services serves as chair (Code State Government Article, secs. 9-601 through 9-606).

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### **GOVERNOR'S SALARY COMMISSION**

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George L. Russell, Jr., Esq., *Chair*

*Appointed by Senate President:* Edward G. Banks, Jr., Esq.; Kenneth P. Reichard; Ralph E. Updike, M.D.

*Appointed by House Speaker:* Neil W. Brayton, D.D.S.; David Dager; George L. Russell, Jr., Esq.

*Terms expire 1996.*

*Ex officio:* Richard N. Dixon, State Treasurer

Staff: William S. Ratchford II

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The Governor's Salary Commission was authorized by Constitutional amendment ratified by the voters on November 2, 1976 (Chapter 543, Acts of 1976). The Commission recommends to the General Assembly the salaries of the Governor and the Lieutenant Governor. These recommendations are presented as a legislative joint resolution and must be introduced no later than the fifteenth day of the regular session every fourth year. The General Assembly may adopt or reduce the Commission's proposed salaries, but may not increase them. If the General Assembly fails to

adopt or amend the joint resolution within fifty calendar days after its introduction, the salaries proposed by the Commission shall apply. Salaries recommended by the Commission and endorsed by the General Assembly begin at the next term of the Governor. If the Commission fails to provide salary recommendations, no salary changes can be made.

For the term of office from 1995 to 1999, the Governor's salary is \$120,000 and the salary of the Lieutenant Governor is \$100,000.

The Commission's seven members include the State Treasurer, three appointees of the Senate President, and three appointees of the House Speaker. Members serve four-year terms (Const., Art. II, secs. 1A, 21, 21A).

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### **HART-MILLER—PLEASURE ISLAND CITIZENS OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE**

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Thomas G. Kroen, *Chair*, 1997

*Appointed by Governor:* Paul D. Brylske; Randall P. Cogar; Robert W. Cullison; Thomas P. Durkin; Pearl L. Gintling; Charles G. Greason; Frederick H. Habicht, Jr.; Joseph G. Sisolak, Jr.; James F. Skarda III; one vacancy. *Terms expire 1997.*

Staff: Michelle Vargo

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In 1981, the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island Citizens Oversight Committee was formed (Chapter 587, Acts of 1981). The Committee monitors the redeposit of spoil and Baltimore County tributary spoil within five miles of the Hart-Miller-Pleasure Island chain in Baltimore County. It also hears complaints lodged by persons affected by this material.

The Governor appoints the Committee's eleven members (Code Environment Article, sec. 5-1104).

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### **MARYLAND HEALTH & HIGHER EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES AUTHORITY**

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Paul B. Meritt, *Chair*, 1999  
Sheila K. Riggs, *Vice-Chair*, 1998

*Appointed by Governor (who names chair & vice-chair):* Thomas E. Dobyns, Esq., 1996; Richard W. Phoebus, Sr., 1997; Paige T. Davis, 1998; Thomas J. S. Waxter, Jr., Esq., 1999; Leonard I. Frenkil, 2000; Robert D. H. Harvey, 2000.

*Ex officio:* Richard N. Dixon, State Treasurer

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