

SOMERSET COUNTY

Form of Government: County Commissioners

Origin: Somerset County was created by an Order in Council in 1666 and named for Lady Mary Somerset, daughter of Thomas Arundell of Wardour, and wife of Sir John Somerset. Lady Somerset was the sister of Lady Anne Arundell, who was the wife of Cecilius Calvert, Second Lord Baltimore.



County Seal of Somerset County

COUNTY BUDGET

Funds	FY1994 <small>(actual)</small>	FY1995 <small>(actual)</small>	FY1996 <small>(approp.)</small>
County	\$10,650,514 ..	\$12,380,496 . . .	\$12,265,610
State	\$ 2,399,423 ..	\$ 2,674,918 . . .	\$ 2,707,918
Federal	\$ 87,125 ..	\$ 77,864 . . .	\$ 26,000
Total Funds . . .	\$13,137,062 ..	\$15,133,278 . . .	\$14,999,528
Staff			
Authorized	132	145	147
Contractual (FTE)	27	29	28
Total Staff	159	174	175

LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Elected by Voters:

- Phillip L. Gerald (R), *Dist. 5, President*, 1998
- James N. Ring (D), *Dist. 1, Vice-President*, 1998
- Charles F. Fisher (R), *Dist. 2* 1998
- Clarence I. Laird (D), *Dist. 3* 1998
- M. William Ward (D), *Dist. 4* 1998

Meetings: Tuesdays, 2:00 p.m.

30513 Prince William St.
P. O. Box 37 (410) 651-0320
Princess Anne, MD 21853 fax: (410) 651-0366

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

BOARD OF COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Elected by Voters:

- Phillip L. Gerald (R), *Dist. 5, President*, 1998
(410) 651-0320

COUNTY TREASURER

Elected by Voters:

- Charles L. Muir (D), 1998
(410) 651-1440

ADMINISTRATION

Appointed by Board of County Commissioners:

- Charles E. Massey, *County Administrator*
& *Clerk*
(410) 651-0320