

2-203.

The Director of the Survey shall exercise any power or duty and general supervision over matters conferred upon the Survey by law, subject to the authority of the Secretary.

2-204.

(a) There is a Commission of the Maryland Geological Survey in the Survey. It consists of five members appointed by the Secretary from among citizens of the State who have character, ability, and active interest in the proper development, use, and conservation of geologic, mineral, and water resources. The members shall select their own chairman. A member's term of office is five years. The Secretary may remove any member for cause, and any vacancy shall be filled for the unexpired term. A member may not receive compensation for his services, but shall be reimbursed for necessary travel expenses and disbursements made in order to attend any meeting or perform any other official duty.

(b) The Commission shall advise the Director of the Survey with respect to any matter within the Survey's jurisdiction.

[Subtitle 3. Archaeological Activities]

[2-301.

In order to protect and preserve historical, archaeological, and scientific information, matters and objects found on privately owned lands in the State, the General Assembly declares that archaeological excavations on privately owned lands should be discouraged except in accordance with the spirit and authority of this subtitle. A person who knows the location of any archaeological site in the State is encouraged to communicate the information to a reputable museum, an institution of higher education, a recognized scientific or historical institution or society, or the Survey.]

2-302.

(A) (1) There is [a Division of] AN Archaeology [in the Survey] OFFICE IN THE TRUST. The administrative head of the [Division in the State] OFFICE IS THE CHIEF Archaeologist, who shall be a professional archaeologist whom the Director [of the Survey appoints in accordance with the State merit system. The Director of the Survey shall appoint, in accordance with the State merit system, assistants and other employees provided in the State budget] EMPLOYS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5-609 OF THIS SUBTITLE. THE DIRECTOR SHALL ALSO EMPLOY A STATE TERRESTRIAL ARCHAEOLOGIST AND A STATE UNDERWATER ARCHAEOLOGIST IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 5-609 OF THIS SUBTITLE.

(2) EACH ARCHAEOLOGIST EMPLOYED UNDER THIS SUBSECTION SHALL POSSESS AN ADVANCED DEGREE IN ARCHAEOLOGY OR A CLOSELY RELATED FIELD FROM AN ACCREDITED COLLEGE OR UNIVERSITY.

(B) ALL ARCHAEOLOGISTS WITHIN THE TRUST AND EMPLOYEES