

**28. Title To Property Acquired.**

*Title to the lands acquired under Sub-section 1 (a) of said Public Act No. 284, 71st Congress, as amended, shall vest in the United States, as provided in that Act. The title to any other land or property acquired shall not be placed in or granted to the United States or in or to any person, corporation, or political community other than the Metropolitan District itself or the State of Maryland, without the approval of the General Assembly of Maryland; nor shall the control, maintenance, operation, or policing of any such other park, parkway, forest, street, road, boulevard, or other public way, ground, or space within the Metropolitan District be placed in or surrendered to the United States or to any other person, corporation, or political community, other than the Commission itself, without the approval of the General Assembly of Maryland.*

**29. Additional Power To Acquire Lands Located Outside Metropolitan District.**

*The Commission is authorized to acquire lands for park purposes outside the Metropolitan District in Montgomery County and in Prince George's County, but within the Maryland-Washington Regional District in those counties, if the Commission finds within the exercise of its discretion that such acquisitions are necessary to preserve any portion of the Commission's regional park plan in Montgomery County and in Prince George's County, respectively, which is a part of the Commission's general plan for the physical development of the Maryland-Washington Regional District. The Commission is authorized to expend any funds which under the provisions of the Metropolitan District are authorized to be expended for park acquisitions in said counties respectively within the Metropolitan District for the purchase of lands authorized by this section to be acquired by the Commission within the Maryland-Washington Regional District.*

**30. Right of Condemnation in Acquiring Property.**

*Whenever it is deemed necessary by the Commission to take or acquire any lands, water rights, structures, or buildings, either in fee or as an easement for parks, parkways, forests, roads, streets, boulevards, or highways, ground or spaces, or for the purposes of recreation, the Commission may purchase the same from the owner or owners; or, failing to agree with the owner or owners thereof, may condemn the same by proceedings in the Circuit Court for the county in which the land, water rights, structures, or buildings are located. The procedure shall be that applying to the condemnation of land by public service corporations in Article 33A of the Public General Laws of Maryland. At the same time the Commission may condemn the interest of any tenant, lessee, or other person having an interest in the land or other property. At any time after ten days after the return and recordation of the verdict or award in the proceedings, the Commission may enter and take possession of the property so condemned, upon first paying to the clerk of the court the amount of the award and all costs taxed to date, notwithstanding any appeal or further proceedings on the part of the defendant. At the time of this payment, however, the Commission shall give its*