

*in the enforcement of any law of this State or of the particular political subdivision, directs the operator of any motor vehicle (other than a police vehicle) within the limits of this State to assist him in the enforcement of the law or in apprehending any person suspected of having or known to have committed a violation thereof, the State or the political subdivision, as the case may be, shall be liable for damages or injuries proximately caused by the negligence of the police officer; provided, however, that the defenses of contributory negligence and "last clear chance" shall be available to the state or political subdivision. For purposes of this section, the Baltimore City police shall be considered police officers of Baltimore City, and the term "police officer" shall be deemed to include all persons charged with law enforcement. The fiscal officers of the State or political subdivision, as the case may be, shall forthwith or as soon as possible pay all just claims made or judgments entered pursuant to this section from funds within their control and available for that purpose.*

*(c) If any police officer of this State, or of any political subdivision of this State, while acting within the scope of his authority in the enforcement of any law of this State or of the particular political subdivision, directs the operator of any motor vehicle (other than a police vehicle) within the limits of this State to participate in a road block to assist him in the enforcement of such law or in apprehending any person, suspected of having or known to have committed a violation thereof, the State or the political subdivision, as the case may be, shall be liable for damages or injuries directly resulting from, or directly attributable to the participation in the road block; provided, however, that the defenses of contributory negligence and "last clear chance" shall be available to the state or political subdivision. For purposes of this section, the Baltimore City police shall be considered police officers of Baltimore City, and the term "police officer" shall be deemed to include all persons charged with law enforcement. The fiscal officers of the State or political subdivision, as the case may be, shall forthwith or as soon as possible pay all just claims made or judgments entered pursuant to this section from funds within their control and available for that purpose.*

## *Part II—Omitted*

### *Part III—Process on Nonresident*

§ 9-301. *Service of process on nonresidents and on residents who leave State.*

*(a) The acceptance by a nonresident individual, firm, or corporation of the rights and privileges of using the roads and highways of Maryland, as evidenced by his, their, or its operation of a motor vehicle on any of the public highways within the limits of this State, shall be deemed equivalent to an appointment by the nonresident individual, firm, or corporation of the Secretary of State, or his successor in office, to be his, their, or its true and lawful attorney upon whom may be served all lawful processes in any action or proceeding instituted, filed, or pending against him, them, or it, growing out of any accident or collision in which the nonresident may be involved, while operating or causing to be operated, a motor vehicle on a public highway or elsewhere within the boundaries of the State of Maryland, including but not limited to property owned by individuals,*