

REPRESENTATIVE OF A CULTURAL INSTITUTION IN MARYLAND. THE COMMISSION IS A PART OF THE DEPARTMENT OF GENERAL SERVICES.

(B) THE MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION SHALL SERVE AT THE PLEASURE OF THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL SERVICES. THEY SHALL NOT RECEIVE ANY SALARY BUT MAY BE COMPENSATED FOR EXPENSES INCURRED IN THE DISCHARGE OF THEIR DUTIES, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE STANDARD TRAVEL REGULATIONS.

(C) FROM TIME TO TIME, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL SERVICES SHALL APPOINT A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION TO SERVE AS ITS CHAIRMAN. THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE SUCH STAFF AND FUNDS AS PROVIDED IN THE BUDGET.

(D) WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY OF GENERAL SERVICES OR THE GOVERNOR, THE COMMISSION ON BEHALF OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND MAY ACCEPT AND RECEIVE GIFTS AND LOANS OF PAINTINGS AND OTHER DECORATIVE ARTS, THEREAFTER CARING FOR THESE OBJECTS AS PART OF ITS REGULAR DUTIES. ALSO, AND WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE GOVERNOR, THE COMMISSION MAY ACCEPT GIFTS OF MONEY FROM ANY SOURCE, PUBLIC OR PRIVATE, AND THEREAFTER ADMINISTER AND EXPEND THE FUNDS ACCORDING TO THE CONDITIONS AND TERMS OF THE GIFT.

(E) THE COMMISSION SHALL KEEP A CONTINUING INVENTORY OF AND HAVE A CONTINUING RESPONSIBILITY FOR ALL VALUABLE PAINTINGS AND OTHER DECORATIVE ARTS IN ALL STATE BUILDINGS AND PREMISES IN THE ANNAPOLIS AREA. IT IS RESPONSIBLE FOR AND SHALL SUPERVISE THE ACQUISITION, LOCATION, PROPER CARE, CUSTODY, RESTORATION, DISPLAY, AND PRESERVATION OF THESE PAINTINGS AND OTHER DECORATIVE ARTS.

(F) EVERY PERSON, AGENCY, OR ORGANIZATION DESIRING TO ACQUIRE FOR THE STATE A PAINTING OR OTHER DECORATIVE ART FOR DISPLAY IN A STATE BUILDING OR PREMISES IN THE ANNAPOLIS AREA MUST SECURE FROM THE COMMISSION BOTH PRIOR APPROVAL AND FINAL ACCEPTANCE OF THE PAINTING OR DECORATIVE ART, WITH PARTICULAR RESPECT TO THE COMPETENCE OF THE ARTIST OR CREATOR, THE PROPOSED LOCATION, AND THE QUALITY, HISTORICAL SIGNIFICANCE, AND APPROPRIATENESS OF THE WORK.

(G) IN PERFORMING ITS DUTIES AND FUNCTIONS IN BUILDINGS AND PREMISES DEVOTED TO OR BELONGING TO THE LEGISLATIVE, EXECUTIVE, OR JUDICIAL BRANCHES OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, THE COMMISSION SHALL SEEK THE ADVICE AND COUNSEL RESPECTIVELY OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE AND SPEAKER OF THE HOUSE OF DELEGATES, THE GOVERNOR, AND THE CHIEF JUDGE OF THE COURT OF APPEALS.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1977.

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