

YEARS;AND

(III) THREE FOR A TERM OF TWO YEARS.

(2) IN APPOINTING MEMBERS AT-LARGE TO REPLACE MEMBERS WHOSE TERMS EXPIRE ON JULY 1, 1977, THE GOVERNOR MAY APPOINT MEMBERS SERVING AS OF JULY 1, 1977. [Successors] THEREAFTER, SUCCESSORS to trustees at-large whose terms expire shall be appointed for terms of four years. Vacancies shall be filled for the unexpired term. [Nc] A trustee at-large may NOT serve more than two successive terms. Appointment to fill a vacancy may not be considered as one of two terms.

(c) Trustees at-large shall take the oath of office as prescribed by law, and shall post bond in the amount of [five thousand dollars] \$5,000 with the State Comptroller prior to assuming office.

(d) [No compensation] COMPENSATION may NOT be paid to any trustee. Each trustee shall be reimbursed for travel and other expenses incurred by him in the performance of his duties on behalf of the foundation.

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The Maryland Agricultural Land Preservation Foundation has the following general powers:

(1) To sue and be sued in contractual matters in its own name;

(2) To enter into contracts generally and to execute all instruments necessary or appropriate to carry out its purposes; [and]

(3) To acquire, by gift, purchase, devise, bequest or grant, easements in gross or other rights to restrict the use of agricultural land and woodland as may be designated to maintain the character of the land as agricultural land or woodland;

(4) TO ADOPT, WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE SECRETARY, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBTITLE; AND

(5) TO PROMOTE THE DISSEMINATION OF INFORMATION TO FARMERS THROUGHOUT THE STATE CONCERNING THE ACTIVITIES OF THE FOUNDATION.

2-504.1.

IN EACH COUNTY CONTAINING PRODUCTIVE AGRICULTURAL LAND, THE COUNTY GOVERNING BODY SHALL APPOINT AN AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD.

(A) THE AGRICULTURAL PRESERVATION ADVISORY BOARD SHALL CONSIST OF FIVE MEMBERS, AT LEAST THREE OF WHOM