

(B) THE COURT SHALL HEAR AND DETERMINE ALL CLAIMS AND AWARDS AND MAY ADOPT, PROMULGATE, AMEND AND RESCIND SUITABLE RULES AND REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THE PROVISIONS AND PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE.

(C) THE COUNTY DIRECTOR OF ADMINISTRATION AND FINANCE SHALL BE CUSTODIAN OF THE FUND AND MAKE DISBURSEMENTS FROM THE FUND PROMPTLY ON RECEIPT OF A REQUEST FROM THE COURT. THE CUSTODIAN SHALL INVEST THE MONEY RECEIVED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE SUBJECT TO PROCEDURES IN THE COUNTY FOR THE INVESTMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS.

(D) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS OF CARROLL COUNTY MAY APPROPRIATE A SUM TO ESTABLISH THE FUND AND MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO MAINTAIN THE FUND.

2A-4+ 2A-3.

(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE:

(1) A VICTIM OF A DELINQUENT ACT, HIS PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVES OR SUCCESSORS.

(2) A SURVIVING GUARDIAN, PARENT, SPOUSE, OR CHILD OF A VICTIM OF A DELINQUENT ACT WHO DIED AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THAT ACT.

(B) A PRINCIPAL OR ACCOMPLICE TO THE ACT UPON WHICH THE CLAIM IS BASED OR A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF SUCH A PERSON IS NOT ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD WITH RESPECT TO SUCH A CLAIM.

2A-5+ 2A-4.

(A) A CLAIM MAY BE FILED BY A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD, AS PROVIDED IN § 2A-4 2A-3 OF THIS SUBTITLE. IN ANY CASE IN WHICH THE PERSON ENTITLED TO MAKE A CLAIM IS A MINOR OR MENTALLY INCOMPETENT, THE CLAIM MAY BE FILED ON THE VICTIM'S BEHALF BY HIS PARENT OR GUARDIAN.

(B) A CLAIM MUST BE FILED BY THE CLAIMANT NOT LATER THAN 90 DAYS AFTER A FINDING OF DELINQUENCY IN A MATTER UPON WHICH THE CLAIM IS BASED.

(C) CLAIMS SHALL BE FILED WITH THE CLERK OF THE CARROLL COUNTY CIRCUIT COURT IN PERSON OR BY MAIL. THE CLERK SHALL ACCEPT FOR FILING ALL CLAIMS SUBMITTED BY PERSONS ELIGIBLE UNDER SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION AND MEETING THE REQUIREMENTS AS TO FORM AS MAY BE ESTABLISHED BY RULES ADOPTED PURSUANT HERETO.

(D) UPON FILING OF A CLAIM PURSUANT TO THIS ARTICLE, THE CLERK OF THE COURT SHALL PROMPTLY NOTIFY THE STATE'S ATTORNEY. THE COURT SHALL DEFER ALL ACTION ON THE CLAIM UNTIL THE JUVENILE PROCEEDINGS CONCERNING THE ACT GIVING RISE TO THE CLAIM HAVE BEEN CONCLUDED.