the circuit court in the county where the land on which the crops are growing or to be grown is located or with the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City if the land is located in Baltimore City;

- (b) When the collateral is [goods which at the time the security interest attaches are or are to become fixtures,] TIMBER TO BE CUT, OR IS MINERALS, OR THE LIKE (INCLUDING OIL AND GAS), OR ACCOUNTS SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (5) OF § 9-103, OR WHEN THE COLLATERAL IS GOODS WHICH ARE OR ARE TO BECOME FIXTURES then in the office where a mortgage on the real estate concerned would be filed or recorded;
- (c) In all other cases, in the office of the Maryland State Department of Assessments and Taxation and in addition, if the debtor has a place of business in only one county of this State, also in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of such county or the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City, or, if the debtor has no place of business in this State, but resides in the State also in the office of the clerk of the circuit court of the county in which he resides or the office of the clerk of the Superior Court of Baltimore City if he resides in Baltimore City[.];
- (d) Nothing in this subsection shall be construed to invalidate any financing statement properly filed in good faith prior to July 1, 1971.
- (2) A filing which is made in good faith in an improper place or not in all of the places required by this section is nevertheless effective with regard to any collateral as to which the filing complied with the requirements of this title and is also effective with regard to collateral covered by the financing statement against any person who has knowledge of the contents of such financing statement
- State continues effective even though the debtor's residence or place of business or the location of the collateral or its use, whichever controlled the original filing, is thereafter changed.
- (4) [If collateral is brought into this State from another jurisdiction, the] THE rules stated in § 9-103 determine whether filing is necessary in this State.
- (5) NOTWITHSTANDING THE PRECEDING SUBSECTIONS, AND SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (3) OF § 9-302, THE PROPER PLACE TO FILE IN ORDER TO PERFECT A SECURITY INTEREST IN COLLATERAL, INCLUDING FIXTURES, OF A TRANSMITTING UTILITY IS THE OFFICE OF THE MARYLAND STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION. THIS FILING SHALL BE EFFECTIVE AND MAY PERFECT A SECURITY INTEREST IN COLLATERAL DESCRIBED THEREIN WHICH IS OR IS TO BECOME FIXTURES. THE PRIORITIES PROVISIONS OF § 9-313 SHALL APPLY TO SUCH FILINGS