

(D) THE COUNTY COUNCIL OF PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY MAY APPROPRIATE A SUM TO ESTABLISH THE FUND AND MAKE SUPPLEMENTAL APPROPRIATIONS TO MAINTAIN THE FUND.

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(A) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING PERSONS ARE ELIGIBLE FOR AWARDS UNDER 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 DIES AS A DIRECT RESULT OF THAT ACT.

(B) A PERSON IS NOT ELIGIBLE FOR AN AWARD UNDER THIS ARTICLE IF:

(1) THE DELINQUENT ACT WAS COMMITTED AGAINST AN ACCOMPLICE TO THE ACT OR A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY OF THE PRINCIPAL OR THE ACCOMPLICE; OR

(2) FINAL ADJUSTMENT FOR INSURANCE CLAIMS HAS NOT BEEN PROVIDED TO THE COURT UNDER § 7-189 OF THIS ARTICLE.

7-189.

(A) A CLAIM MAY BE FILED BY A PERSON ELIGIBLE TO RECEIVE AN AWARD, AS PROVIDED IN § 7-186 OF THIS SUBTITLE. IF THE PERSON ENTITLED TO MAKE A CLAIM IS A MINOR OR IS 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 PRINCE GEORGE'S 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 UNDER 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.

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