(a) "Board" [shall mean] MEANS the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board

(b) "Claimant" [shall mean] MEANS the person filing a claim pursuant to this article.

(c) "Crime" [shall mean] MEANS an act committed by any person [in the State of Maryland which would constitute a crime as defined in Article 27 of the Code] IN THIS STATE WHICH WOULD BE A CRIME UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE, FEDERAL LAW, or at common law, provided, however, that no act involving the operation of a vessel or motor vehicle which results in injury shall constitute a crime for the purpose of this article unless the injuries were intentionally inflicted through the use of a vessel or motor vehicle.

(d) "Family" when used with reference to a person, [shall mean] MEANS: (1) any person related to such person within the third degree of consanguinity or [affinity,] AFFINITY; (2) any person maintaining a sexual relationship with such [person,] PERSON; or (3) any person residing in the same household with such person.

(e) "Victim" [shall mean] MEANS a person who suffers personal physical injury, PSYCHOLOGICAL INJURY, or death as a direct result of a crime.

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(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, the following persons shall be eligible for awards pursuant to this article:

(1) A victim of a crime;

(2) A surviving spouse or child of a victim of a crime who died as a direct result of such crime;

(3) Any other person dependent for [his] principal support upon a victim of a crime who died as a direct result of such crime;

(4) Any person who is injured or killed while trying to prevent a crime or an attempted crime from occurring in his presence or trying to apprehend a person who had committed a crime in his presence or had, in fact, committed a felony;

(5) A surviving spouse or child of any person who dies as a direct result of trying to prevent a crime or an attempted crime from occurring in his presence or trying to apprehend a person who had committed a crime in his presence or had, in fact, committed a felony;