

(3) All staff assistants in the Secretary's office in charge of particular areas of responsibility, and all professional consultants shall serve at the pleasure of the Secretary.

(4) All other employees of the Secretary's office, unless otherwise provided by law, shall be appointed and removed by the Secretary in accordance with the provisions of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland.

(c) (1) The appointment or removal of personnel by an administration, board, commission, division, or other agency within the jurisdiction of the Department [of Economic and Community Development] shall be subject to the approval of the Secretary[; however].

(2) [the] THE Secretary [is authorized to] MAY delegate this power of approval to the heads or governing bodies of the boards, commissions, divisions or other agencies within the jurisdiction of the Department [of Economic and Community Development].

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(A) The Attorney General shall be the legal adviser to the Department [of Economic and Community Development].

(B) He shall assign to the Department such number of assistant attorneys general as are now authorized by law to be assigned to the various departments, agencies, boards, commissions, councils, or units which are, or may hereafter by law be deemed to be, part of the Department [of Economic and Community Development]; and he shall also assign to the Department [of Economic and Community Development] such additional number of assistant attorneys general as may hereafter be authorized by law for such Department. One of the said assistant attorneys general shall be designated by the Attorney General as counsel to the Department [of Economic and Community Development]. The counsel to the Department shall have no duty other than to render, subject to the discretion and control of the Attorney General, such legal aid, advice and counsel as the Secretary and the other officials of said Department may require, and the supervision of the other assistant attorneys general assigned to the Department. After the Attorney General has designated an assistant attorney general to serve as counsel to the Department [of Economic and Community Development, he], THE ATTORNEY GENERAL shall not reassign said counsel without consultation with the Secretary [of Economic and Community Development]. The counsel to the Department [of Economic and Community Development], and the other assistant attorneys general so employed, shall each perform such legal duties for the Department as the Attorney General may, from time to time, assign to them; and the Attorney General is hereby authorized to assign