

(1988 Replacement Volume and 1988 Supplement)

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Article-68---Notaries-Public
Section-14-and-15
Annotated-Code-of-Maryland
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 68 - Notaries Public

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(a) (1) The Governor, on approval of the application by a senator representing the senatorial district and subdistrict in which the applicant resides, shall appoint and commission in his discretion and judgment any number of persons as notaries public, as provided herein.

(2) The Governor, on approval of the application by the Secretary of State, shall appoint and commission out-of-state court reporters as notaries public, as provided in this article.

(b) (1) Every person appointed shall be at least 18 years of age, of good moral character and integrity, [a citizen of the United States,] a resident in this State for a period of 1 year prior to appointment, and a resident of the senatorial district from which he or she is appointed.

(2) The residence requirements shall not apply to persons having an appointment as an official court reporter by any court of any county or Baltimore City.

(3) The residence requirements do not apply to out-of-state court reporters applying for appointment as a notary public in this State; however, an out-of-state court reporter shall be deemed to have irrevocably appointed the Secretary of State as his or her agent upon whom may be served any summons, subpoena, subpoena duces tecum, or other process.

(4) Notwithstanding the provisions of paragraphs (1) and (2) of this subsection, and subject to the provisions of this subtitle, a notary commissioned in a state other than the State of Maryland who moves to this State shall be a resident of this State for a period of 6 months prior to appointment as notary public in this State.