the officer or the employee is placed in the [classified service] STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM in accordance with those provisions; and

- (3) the head of a unit who is in the [classified service] STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM or holds the position other than at the pleasure of the Governor does not cease to be in the [classified service] STATE PERSONNEL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM or to hold the position other than at the pleasure of the Governor. 9 - 108.
- (e) (2) Except as provided in paragraph (3) of this subsection or otherwise by law, the staff of the Commission is in the [classified service of the] State Personnel Management System.
- (3) A deputy director is in the [unclassified] EXECUTIVE service of the State Personnel Management System. However, a deputy director may be removed only for cause after being given notice and an opportunity for a hearing. 9-1605.
 - (a) An administrative law judge:
- (1) shall be a [member of the unclassified service of] SPECIAL APPOINTMENT IN the State Personnel Management System; 10-703.

Employees of an abolished or superseded unit who are in the [classified] SKILLED SERVICE OR PROFESSIONAL service of the State Personnel Management System, WITH THE EXCEPTION OF SPECIAL APPOINTMENTS:

- (1) keep their status as [classified] SKILLED SERVICE OR PROFESSIONAL service employees; and
- (2) in accordance with the provisions of the State Personnel and Pensions Article that govern [classified] SKILLED SERVICE OR PROFESSIONAL service employees and the regulations adopted under them, are eligible for reemployment by the successor or by another unit in the respective [classified] SKILLED SERVICE OR PROFESSIONAL service position in the State Personnel Management System. 12-401.

In this subtitle, "State personnel" means:

- a regular [classified or unclassified] employee of the State whose compensation:
 - (i) is provided by a State appropriation; or
 - is paid wholly or partly from State funds: