

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL IS LEGAL ADVISER TO THE DEPARTMENT.

(C) ASSIGNMENT OF ASSISTANTS.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL ASSIGN TO THE DEPARTMENT THE NUMBER OF ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL AUTHORIZED BY LAW FOR THE DEPARTMENT AND ITS UNITS.

(D) COUNSEL.

(1) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL SHALL DESIGNATE 1 OF THE ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT AS COUNSEL TO THE DEPARTMENT. AFTER THE ATTORNEY GENERAL DESIGNATES THE COUNSEL TO THE DEPARTMENT, THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY NOT REASSIGN THE COUNSEL WITHOUT CONSULTING THE SECRETARY.

(2) THE COUNSEL MAY HAVE NO DUTY OTHER THAN TO GIVE THE LEGAL AID, ADVICE, AND COUNSEL REQUIRED BY THE SECRETARY OR ANY OTHER OFFICIAL OF THE DEPARTMENT, TO SUPERVISE THE OTHER ASSISTANT ATTORNEYS GENERAL ASSIGNED TO THE DEPARTMENT, AND TO PERFORM FOR THE DEPARTMENT THE DUTIES THAT THE ATTORNEY GENERAL ASSIGNS. THE COUNSEL SHALL PERFORM THESE DUTIES SUBJECT TO THE CONTROL AND SUPERVISION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first through fifth and eighth sentences and the first clause of the sixth sentence of former Art. 41, § 8-103(d).

In subsection (c) of this section, the general reference to assistant attorneys general authorized for "the Department and its units" is substituted for the former references to assistant attorneys general assigned to "the various departments, agencies, boards, commissions, councils, or units which are herein, or may hereafter by law be deemed to be part of the Department of Licensing and Regulation" and "such additional number of assistant attorneys general as may hereafter be authorized by law for such Department" for brevity and clarity.

The seventh sentence and, except as the first clause related to counsel, the sixth sentence of former Art. 41, § 8-103(d), which enabled the Attorney General to assign work to assistant attorneys general, required them to do the assigned work, required them to be lawyers, and provided for their salaries, are deleted as unnecessary in light of SG § 6-105.

Defined terms: "Department" § 1-101

"Secretary" § 1-101