

[(9)] (10) Montgomery;

[(10)] (11) St. Mary's;

[(11)] (12) Somerset; and

[(12)] (13) Washington.

SUBTITLE 5A. FREDERICK COUNTY.

3-5A-01.

(A) THE FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD CONSISTS OF SEVEN MEMBERS ELECTED FROM THE COUNTY AT LARGE.

(B) (1) A CANDIDATE ELECTED TO THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL BE A RESIDENT AND REGISTERED VOTER OF FREDERICK COUNTY.

(2) ANY MEMBER WHO NO LONGER RESIDES IN THE COUNTY MAY NOT CONTINUE AS A MEMBER OF THE BOARD.

(C) (1) A MEMBER SERVES FOR A TERM OF 4 YEARS BEGINNING THE FIRST TUESDAY IN DECEMBER AFTER THE MEMBER'S ELECTION AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS ELECTED AND QUALIFIES.

(2) MEMBERS OF THE FREDERICK COUNTY BOARD SHALL BE ELECTED AS FOLLOWS:

(I) THREE MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL BE ELECTED IN THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION OF 2000 AND EVERY 4 YEARS THEREAFTER; AND

(II) FOUR MEMBERS OF THE COUNTY BOARD SHALL BE ELECTED IN THE NOVEMBER GENERAL ELECTION OF 2002 AND EVERY 4 YEARS THEREAFTER.

(3) AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT SERVE FOR MORE THAN TWO CONSECUTIVE TERMS.

(D) (1) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION.

(2) THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS SHALL APPOINT A QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL TO FILL A VACANCY ON THE COUNTY BOARD FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE TERM AND UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS ELECTED AND QUALIFIES.

(E) (1) THE STATE BOARD MAY REMOVE A MEMBER OF THE COUNTY BOARD FOR:

(I) IMMORALITY;

(II) MISCONDUCT IN OFFICE;

(III) INCOMPETENCY; OR

(IV) WILLFUL NEGLECT OF DUTY.