

Five measurers of oysters for Baltimore and each of the other ports or towns bordering upon the Chesapeake bay and its tributaries. (Article 72, section 58 of the Code.)

THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

The Secretary of State is appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate. His term of office, unless removed by the Governor, continues until the end of the term of the Governor, from whom he received his appointment. His annual salary is \$2,000. He is required to reside in Annapolis. (Article II, section 22, Constitution.)

The Secretary of State shall carefully keep and preserve a record of all official acts and proceedings of the Executive Department, and shall perform such other duties as may be prescribed by law, or as may properly belong to his office, together with all clerical duty belonging to the Executive Department. (Article II, section 23, Constitution.)

A departmental seal shall be kept by the Secretary of State for the authentication of copies of records and papers in his office; but no copy of a record or paper shall be given out or certified by him, or any order, entry or action of the Governor without the approbation of the Governor. (Article 86, P. G. L., section 1, Maryland Code.)

A record of all commissions to civil officers shall be kept by the Secretary of State, and he shall transmit the commissions to the clerks of the several Circuit Courts for the counties and the Superior Court of Baltimore. (*Ibid*, section 2.)

The reports of clerks of said courts of the qualification of officers shall be preserved by the Secretary of State, who shall also be competent to certify to their characters and qualifications. (*Ibid*, section 3.)

The copy of any paper in the office of Secretary of State shall be evidence in courts. (Article 37, section 53, P. G. L., Maryland Code.)

A list of all officers who have been furnished by the clerks of courts, as having qualified before them, shall be reported to the Comptroller by the Secretary of State. (Article 81, section 52, P. G. L., Maryland Code.)

The Secretary of State shall have charge of the Great Seal of the State; but the Governor shall have control of it when necessary, and the Secretary of the Senate and Chief Clerk of the House shall have access to the seal. (Chapter 78, section 1, Acts of 1884.)