

The State Librarian is appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, to hold office during the term of the Governor (Constitution, Art. 7, Sec. 3); the Custodian of Works of Reference is appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Senate, for a term of two years (Ch. 50, 1906); the Indexer and Cataloguer is appointed by the Governor, with the consent of the Library Committee, for a term of two years (Ch. 271, 1900).

The Librarian is required to have counted all volumes received in the Library including the Maryland Session Laws, the House and Senate Journals, the Documents, the Maryland Reports, and all volumes named in various legislative bills, etc., giving a certified account of the number received to the State Comptroller before payment is made for the same to the State Printer.

The Session Laws, etc., named above are distributed by the Librarian every two years (Section 7, Article 55). The Maryland Reports in accordance with Article 55, Public General Laws, 1912.

The Library is located in the Court of Appeals Building, Annapolis. It has on its shelves not only an extensive collection of law books, including an English collection, but a large number of exceptionally valuable reference volumes, many of which are now out of print, and which are being freely consulted by authors and others from all parts of the country, among them the four rare Audubon volumes; a complete file of the Maryland Gazette, one of the first newspapers published in this country; historical reference books of colonial times, and the records of the wars of the Revolution and 1812; books on travel, art and miscellaneous subjects, as well as fiction and the current magazines.

The reading room is open to the public daily, where any of the volumes in the Library may be utilized.

Members of the Library Committee are: A. Hunter Boyd, Chief Judge, Court of Appeals; Judge Wm. H. Thomas, Judge John P. Briscoe, Judge W. H. Adkins, Judge Walter W. Preston, 3rd Judicial Circuit.

MARYLAND PUBLIC LIBRARY COMMISSION.

Offices, Enoch Pratt Library, Baltimore.

(Terms Expire 1922.)

Ex-officio Members:

Dr. Bernard C. Steiner.....Enoch Pratt Library
 Miss Mary Garnett McCarty.....State Librarian
 Albert S. Cook.....Superintendent Public Education

Members appointed by the Governor:

Mrs. Charlotte Newell.....Baltimore
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Governor appoints four, two of whom shall be women, who, with the State Librarian, Superintendent of Public Education and Librarian of Enoch Pratt Free Library, constitutes the Commission. Term, two years. (Ch. 505, 1910.)

This Commission was established under the law above referred to, with power to give advice and counsel to all public libraries, and public school libraries, in the State, and to all persons proposing to establish them, as to the best means to their establishment and maintenance, the selection of books, cataloguing, and other details of management; and also to organize and conduct travelling libraries throughout the State.