

serve until their term expires (Const. 1867, Art. IV, sec 14 [as amended 1944]). At the present time there are six judges. The Chief Judge of the Court is designated by the Governor.

The Court hears appeals from the decisions and verdicts of the Circuit Courts. The Court also admits all eligible candidates to the State Bar. The term of the Court begins the first of October in each year.

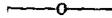
The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals is the Chief Administrative officer of the State's judiciary. The Court of Appeals is empowered to make rules for the conduct of the practice and procedure in that Court and the various Circuit Courts of the State (IV, 18A). The Court may also assign the Judges of the various Circuits to duties in other Circuits for the purpose of relieving the backlog of accumulated cases.

The Clerk of the Court of Appeals is appointed by the Court (IV, 17). He is the Administrative Officer of the Court. He maintains the docket, receives the briefs and transcripts of all appeals filed with the Court, and maintains official custody of the decisions of the Court, the Acts of the General Assembly, and of all other records which the law may require to be filed with the Court.

The Court Reporter, who is also appointed by the Court, is responsible for the publication of the *Maryland Reports* which contain the official opinions of the Court.

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Appropriations	\$127,871	\$127,871
Staff: 14.		



BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS

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The Board of Public Works is composed of the Governor, the Comptroller, and the State Treasurer (Const. 1867, Art. 12, sec. 1). The Board exercises such powers and duties as may be delegated to it in regard to the creation of the State debt. All contracts for the expenditures of the proceeds of loans authorized by the General Assembly are subject to the approval of the Board. The Board supervises the expenditure of all sums appropriated for the acquisition of land, buildings, equipment, new construction and other capital expenditures, except in connection with State roads, bridges and highways; the contracts for the former expenditures are subject to the approval of the Board, after review by the Director of Budget and Procurement. The Board has the power to approve every new lease or renewal for land, buildings or office space before it is executed by any department, board, commission, State officer or institution of the State. It may also designate the location of any State agency, after review by the Director of Budget and Procurement. The Board may borrow upon the credit of the State, at any time between the biennial session of the General Assembly, sums not to ex-