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**DEPUTY ATTORNEY GENERAL**


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Judson P. Garrett, Jr., *Deputy Attorney General*  
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The Deputy Attorney General is responsible for Administration and the Citizen Inquiry and Victim Assistance Unit, as well as four Divisions: Antitrust, Consumer Protection, Criminal Appeals, and Securities. The Deputy Attorney General also is responsible for the assistant attorneys general assigned to the Department of Economic and Employment Development; Department of the Environment; Department of General Services; Department of Housing and Community Development; Department of Juvenile Services; Department of Natural Resources; Department of Transportation; State Archives; Comptroller of the Treasury; General Assembly; Office of Planning; State Retirement and Pension Systems; Secretary of State; and Maryland Stadium Authority.

**ANTITRUST DIVISION**

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The Antitrust Division was created in 1972 and is headed by an assistant attorney general (Chapter 357, Acts of 1972). The Division enforces the Maryland Antitrust Act, which governs restraints of trade, unfair competition, monopolies, and other acts or practices that restrain or tend to restrain trade and commerce within the State. The Act calls for both civil and criminal enforcement of its provisions and permits the Attorney General to cooperate with officials of the federal government and the several states in the enforcement of the antitrust laws (Code Commercial Law Article, secs. 11-201 through 11-213).

**CITIZEN INQUIRY & VICTIM ASSISTANCE UNIT**

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The Citizen Inquiry Unit provides quick, accurate and useful answers to all questions directed to the Office of the Attorney General by the general public.

**STATE BOARD OF VICTIM SERVICES**

*Chairperson:* J. Joseph Curran, Jr., *Attorney General*

*Appointed by Governor:* Scott G. Patterson, 1991; Sandra B. Stolker, 1991; Norman F. Workman, 1991; Ginny Mahoney, 1992; Frank R. Weathersbee, 1992; A. Tony Fisher, 1993; Roberta R. Roper, 1993; James F. Gartland II, 1995; Fran Hviding, 1995.

*Appointed by Chief Judge, Court of Appeals:* Judith C. Levinson

*Ex officio:* Benjamin R. Wolman, *Chairperson*, Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; Carolyn W. Colvin, *Secretary of Human Resources*; Nancy S. Grasmick, *Secretary of Juvenile Services*; Bishop L. Robinson, *Secretary of Public Safety & Correctional Services*.

Catherine A. Puls, *Victim Services Coordinator*  
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The State Board of Victim Services was created within the Office of the Attorney General in 1988 (Chapter 256, Acts of 1988). The Board advises the Attorney General on services needed by victims of crime. The Board also reviews the plans and annual reports of the Victim Services Coordinator as well as the implementation, operation, and revision of programs by the Coordinator.

The Victim Services Coordinator is appointed by the Attorney General upon recommendation of the State Board of Victim Services.

The Board has fifteen members. The Governor appoints nine members who serve five-year terms. The Chief Judge of the Court of Appeals appoints a member of the Judiciary to a five-year term. Five members serve *ex officio*: the Attorney General or designee; Chairperson, Maryland Criminal Injuries Compensation Board; Secretary of Human Resources or designee; Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services or designee; and Secretary of Juvenile Services or designee. The Attorney General serves as chairperson (Code State Government Article, secs. 6.5-101 through 6.5-205).

**DIVISION OF CONSUMER PROTECTION**

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The Division of Consumer Protection was created in 1967 (Chapter 338, Acts of 1967). The Division is headed by an assistant attorney general who is Chief of the Division.

The Division oversees the control and regulation of unfair and deceptive trade practices. It is responsible for enforcement of civil remedies through court litigation, administrative hearings, complaint mediation, and arbitration. The Division also is charged with recommending legislation to the Governor and the General Assembly to protect the public from fraudulent schemes and promotions.

In addition to undertaking its own enforcement activities, where appropriate, the Division reports information about violations of laws affecting consumers to other law enforcement officers. It seeks to develop and conduct programs of consumer education and information through publications