

EMERGENCY NUMBER SYSTEMS BOARD

Theodore I. Weintraub, *Chairperson*, 1994

Appointed by Governor (who also designates chair) with Senate advice & consent: Eugene L. Bidun, 1991; Thomas E. Polen, 1991; Stan Stovall, 1991; Charles J. Kruff, 1992; Robert H. Shimer, 1992; Capt. James T. Almony, 1993; Capt. Roy L. Chiavacci, 1993; James W. Hancock III, 1993; Thomas Lee Oliver, 1994; Patricia W. Tanner, 1994.

Marilyn E. Farndon, *Secretary*
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The Emergency Number Systems Board was created in 1979 (Chapter 730, Acts of 1979). The Board coordinates installation and enhancement of county 911 systems, which are emergency telephone number services. A "911 system" automatically connects a person dialing the digits 9-1-1 on a telephone to a public safety answering point from which police, fire, ambulance or other public safety services may be dispatched on a 24-hour basis. Since July 1, 1985, all counties and Baltimore City have had a "911 system" installed.

The Board issues guidelines for county 911 system plans and determines review procedures to approve or disapprove these plans. The Board sets criteria for reimbursing counties from the original 911 Trust Fund and from ongoing funds and provides for audit of Trust Fund accounts. All 911 related information and procedures are transmitted by the Board to the county executive and county council, or to the president of the board of county commissioners of each county, and/or their designated 911 committee representative. Annually, the Board provides the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services with an installation schedule and funding requirements estimate.

The Board's eleven members are appointed to four-year terms by the Governor with Senate advice and consent. One member represents a telephone utility company operating in Maryland. One member each represents the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services, the Maryland State Police, the Maryland Public Service Commission, and the Association of Public Safety Communications Officers. Of two members representing county fire services in Maryland, one represents career fire services and the other volunteer fire services. One member represents police services, one represents emergency management services, and two represent the public. The Governor designates the chairperson (Code 1957, Art. 41, secs. 18-101 through 18-108).

HANDGUN PERMIT REVIEW BOARD

Donald A. Westcott, *Chairperson*, 1993

Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent: Elmer E. Horsey, 1992; H. Theodore Frantum, Jr., 1993; Rev. Mervin C. Gray, 1993; H. John Lobe, 1994.

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The Handgun Permit Review Board was created in 1972 (Chapter 13, Acts of 1972).

Any person whose application for a handgun permit or renewal of a permit has been rejected or whose permit has been revoked or limited may ask the Board to review the decision of the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police. The Board can either sustain, reverse, or modify the decision of the Superintendent, or conduct a hearing to establish the facts.

From the general public, the Governor appoints the Board's five members with Senate advice and consent. Members serve three-year terms (Code 1957, Art. 27, sec. 36E).

INMATE GRIEVANCE OFFICE

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The Inmate Grievance Office originated as the Inmate Grievance Commission in 1971 to adjudicate inmate grievances and complaints (Chapter 210, Acts of 1971). The Commission was reorganized under its present name in 1991 (House Bill 1214, Acts of 1991).

Any person confined to an institution within the Division of Correction, or otherwise in the custody of the Commissioner of Correction, or confined to Patuxent Institution may submit any grievance or complaint against any official or employee of the Division of Correction or Patuxent Institution to the Inmate Grievance Office.

The Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services with the approval of the Governor, appoints the Executive Director (Code 1957, Art. 41, sec. 4-102.1).

SUNDRY CLAIMS BOARD

Chairperson: J. Basil Wisner, designee of
Comptroller of the Treasury

Ex officio: Charles F. Berry, designee of Secretary of Budget & Fiscal Planning; Marvin N. Robbins, designee of Secretary of Public Safety & Correctional Services.

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