

U.S. District Courts, commissioners exercised the same powers and duties of their predecessors but were compensated according to a uniform fee schedule. After 1940, commissioners could try all petty offenses committed on federal property if so designated by the appointing U.S. District Court and with written consent of the defendant.

The Federal Magistrates Act of 1968 replaced the commissioner system with federal magistrates overseen by the Judicial Conference of the United States. The act required magistrates to be attorneys. Magistrates retained all the powers and duties of commissioners, could try and dispose of minor criminal offenses, and could be assigned additional duties to expedite the work of U.S. District Court judges. Since 1968, the pretrial, civil and criminal jurisdiction of federal magistrates expanded. On December 1, 1990, magistrates were designated U.S. Magistrate Judges.

For Maryland, the U.S. Magistrate Judges are appointed to eight-year terms by the U.S. District Court for the District of Maryland.

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### UNITED STATES MARSHAL

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Under the U.S. Department of Justice, the United States Marshals Service is the nation's oldest federal law enforcement agency. It is responsible for the custody, care, and transportation of federal offenders; apprehension of federal criminals who jump bail, violate parole or escape from prison; and protection of the federal courts, judges, attorneys, and witnesses. The Service enforces court orders and manages assets seized or forfeited as a result of their having been acquired from the profits of certain crimes.

The office of U.S. Marshal was established in each federal judicial district by the federal Judiciary Act of 1789. As Presidential appointees, Marshals functioned independently within their districts until 1969, when the U.S. Marshals Service was formed. By 1972, a headquarters in Washington, DC, supervised budgets and the hiring and training of deputies nationwide. The federal Marshals Service Act of 1988 further defined the role of U.S. Marshals.

The U.S. Marshal for each district still is appointed to a four-year term by the President of the United States with the advice and consent of the U.S. Senate.

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The Office of the United States Attorney for the District of Maryland was established by the federal Judiciary Act of 1789. Under the U.S. Department of Justice, the U.S. Attorney and Assistant Attorneys are the federal government's principal trial lawyers. Duties of the U.S. Attorney's Office include prosecuting all federal criminal cases and representing the federal government in civil litigation.

The U.S. Attorney is appointed to a four-year term by the President of the United States with the advice and consent of the U.S. Senate. The U.S. Attorney serves at the pleasure of the President. Assistant U.S. Attorneys are appointed by the U.S. Attorney General for indefinite terms.

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