

TRUSTEES OF THE CLIENTS' SECURITY TRUST FUND OF THE BAR OF MARYLAND

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In 1965, the Clients' Security Trust Fund of the Bar of Maryland was established. The Fund reimburses clients for losses caused by fraudulent activities of members of the Bar of the State of Maryland, acting either as attorneys or fiduciaries (except to the extent to which they are bonded).

Appointed to seven-year terms by the Court of Appeals, nine trustees oversee the Fund. The Fund is supported by annual assessments upon members of the Bar as a condition of practicing law (Md. Rule 1228).

STATE LAW LIBRARY

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Monday, Wednesday, Friday, 8:30 a.m.—4:30 p.m.

Tuesday & Thursday, 8:30 a.m.—9:00 p.m.

Saturday, 9:00 a.m.—4:00 p.m.

BUDGET (CODE CA0008, formerly 22.01.00.08)

	FY1994 (actual)	FY1995 (actual)	FY1996 (approp.)
Funds			
General	\$705,088	\$747,646	\$720,589
Special	\$ 444	\$ 5,704	\$ 17,700
Total Funds	\$705,532	\$753,349	\$738,289
Staff			
Authorized	10	10	10
Contractual (FTE)	0	0	0
Total Staff	10	10	10

HISTORICAL EVOLUTION

State Library, 1827-1978

State Law Library, 1978—

MANDATED REPORTS

None

ORGANIZATIONAL STRUCTURE

LIBRARY COMMITTEE

Chair: Robert C. Murphy, Chief Judge,
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Appointed by Court of Appeals: John C. Eldridge, Judge, Court of Appeals; Robert L. Karwacki, Judge, Court of Appeals; Alan M. Wilner, Chief Judge, Court of Special Appeals; George B. Riggan, Jr., State Court Administrator; Alexander L. Cummings, Clerk, Court of Appeals.

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The State Law Library began in 1827 as the State Library, an agency of the executive branch (Chapter 53, Acts of 1827). It served the legal and general reference needs of the Legislature and Judiciary. Renamed the State Law Library, it came under the Judiciary in 1978 (Chapter 128, Laws of 1978).

The State Law Library provides legal information to the State's appellate courts and other branches of State government and serves as a resource center for Circuit Court libraries throughout the State. Open to the public, the Library encourages the use of its extremely valuable reference resources, including laws, general reference materials, State and federal government documents, and State and local histories and genealogies. With a total collection of almost 300,000 volumes, the Library offers the researcher access to unique resources. The collection, basically composed of reference material, does not circulate, except to State agency personnel. Much of the collection, however, is available on interlibrary loan and photocopy facilities are available to patrons.

Legal Materials. Legal materials constitute most of the collection. They include reported court decisions from all appellate jurisdictions across the country and Great Britain. Laws, both in session law form and as statutory compilations, also are filed in the Library from nearly every state, as are all federal and some foreign statutes. Library holdings of legal periodicals include 500 subscriptions