

ARTICLE LV.

LIBRARIAN—STATE.

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| <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Oath. 2. Bond. 3. Appointment to fill vacancy. 4. Library to be kept in place assigned. 5. Removal of books, maps, etc. 6. Stationery allowed members of assembly. 7. Binding of laws, journals and documents of general assembly; distribution of copies. 8. Remaining copies. 9. Copies to libraries. | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 10. Distribution of Maryland reports to enumerated officials. 11. Appropriation for purchase of books, etc. 12. Library committee to be appointed by court of appeals. Its power and authority. 13. May pass rules and regulations. 14. Vacancy in such committee; how filled. 15. Indexer and cataloguer; his appointment, salary, duties. 16. Custodian of works of reference. |
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1904. art. 55, sec. 1. 1888, art. 55, sec. 1. 1860. art. 55, sec. 1.
1852, ch. 172, sec. 3.

1. The state librarian shall take and subscribe before the governor the oath prescribed by the constitution.

Requisites of a valid return to an alternative writ of mandamus alleging that the oath of office had been taken by the state librarian. *Harwood v. Marshall*, 10 Md. 463.

As to the state librarian, see article 7, section 3, and article 15, section 9, of the state constitution. See also. *Silver v. Magruder*, 32 Md. 395; *Marshall v. Harwood*, 5 Md. 431.

Ibid. sec. 2. 1888, art. 55, sec. 2. 1860, art. 55, sec. 2. 1826, ch. 53, sec. 3.

2. He shall give bond to the State in such sum and with such security as the committees of the senate and house of delegates on the library approve, for the safe-keeping of the books, maps, documents and furniture of the library and for the faithful discharge of his trust, according to such regulations as shall from time to time be established as herein directed; which bond shall be deposited in the executive chamber.

The bond must be approved by the *separate* committees of the senate and house on the library, and not by a joint committee; committees of a succeeding legislature may approve the bond of a librarian appointed by their predecessors. *Harwood v. Marshall*, 9 Md. 103.

The bond can only be approved by the committees during the session of the legislature, unless they are specially authorized to act after such session. *Marshall v. Harwood*, 7 Md. 482.

Ibid. sec. 3. 1888, art. 55, sec. 3. 1860, art. 55, sec. 3. 1847. ch. 53, sec. 2.

3. In case of the death, disqualification, resignation or removal from the State of the librarian during the recess of the general assem-