

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings
 Section 3–823(e) and (h)(1) and 3–830(b)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
 (2002 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Family Law
 Section 5–525(e)(2) and (i) and 5–561(c)
 Annotated Code of Maryland
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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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3–819.

(b) In making a disposition on a CINA petition under this subtitle, the court shall:

(1) Find that the child is not in need of assistance and, except as provided in subsection (e) of this section, dismiss the case; or

(2) Find that the child is in need of assistance and:

(i) Not change the child's custody status; or

(ii) Commit the child ON TERMS THE COURT CONSIDERS APPROPRIATE to the custody of:

1. A. A parent[,]; OR

B. SUBJECT TO § 3–819.2 OF THIS SUBTITLE, A relative, or other individual [on terms the court considers appropriate]; or

2. A local department, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, or both, ~~on terms that the court considers appropriate~~, including designation of the type of facility where the child is to be placed.

(c) In addition to any action under subsection (b)(2) of this section, the court may:

(1) (i) Place a child under the protective supervision of the local department on terms the court considers appropriate;

(ii) Grant limited guardianship to the department or an individual or both for specific purposes including medical and educational purposes or for other appropriate services if a parent is unavailable, unwilling, or unable to consent to services that are in the best interest of the child; or