

## APPELLATE COURTS JUDICIAL NOMINATING COMMISSION

Governor	Governor Glendening 01.01.1999.08	Governor Ehrlich 01.01.2003.12	Governor O'Malley 01.01.2008.04	Governor Hogan 01.01.2019.05
<b>Number of Members</b>	17 persons	17 persons	17 persons	17 persons
<b>Composition of Members</b>	<p>-1 Chairperson -8 members appointed by the Governor and who are not attorneys (1 from each seven appellate judicial circuit who are residents and qualified voters of that circuit; 1 resident and qualified voter selected from the State at large) - 8 members of the MD Bar (1 from each of the 7 appellate judicial circuits who is a qualified voter and maintains a principal office for the practice of law in that circuit and will be elected by members of the Bar who have the same qualifications – AOC conducts the elections in each circuit); 1 shall be appointed by the Governor)</p>	<p>- 6 members of the MD Bar appointed by the Governor (shall be a resident and qualified voter selected from the State at large) -4 members appointed by the Governor who may not be lawyers (shall be a resident and qualified voter selected from the State at large) -7 members of the MD Bar selected (selected by members of the MD Bar in each of the 7 appellate judicial circuits – elections conducted by the AOC)</p>	<p>-12 persons appointed by the Governor -5 persons submitted for appointment by the president of the MD Bar Association</p>	<p>-12 persons appointed by the Governor -5 members of the MD State Bar Association appointed by the Governor from 10 such persons submitted by the Association president</p>
<b>Restrictions</b>	<p>-may not hold offices of profit or trust under Constitution or laws of State, in any political party or be full-time employees of the State - no more than one lawyer from the same firm or legal office may</p>	<p>-No more than one lawyer from the same law firm or legal office may serve on the same Commission - may not hold offices of profit or trust under Constitution or laws of</p>	<p>-no more than one lawyer from the same firm or legal office may serve on the Commission at the same time</p>	<p>-No more than one lawyer from the same law firm or legal office may serve on the same Commission</p>

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	serve on the Commission at the same time	State, in any political party or be full-time employees of the State	-may not simultaneously serve on a Trial Court Nominating Commission -may not hold elected office in local, state or federal govt, hear cases as active or senior member of the state or federal judiciary, or hold office in a political party	-may not simultaneously serve on a Trial Court Nominating Commission -may not hold elected office in local, state or federal govt, be an employee of the Office of the Governor, hear cases as active or senior member of the state or federal judiciary, or hold office in a political party
<b>Guidelines</b>	-Shall fairly and appropriately reflect the minority and female population of the Commission District from which appointed -elections of the 8 Bar members should give fair and appropriate consideration to minority and female participation in the election process -the 2 of the 6 the Governor appoints – the Governor will consider the need for greater diversity of experience, gender and race	Shall fairly and appropriately reflect the minority and female population of the area from which appointed or elected	shall encourage qualified candidates from a diversity of backgrounds to apply	president of Bar Association when submitting names shall give consideration to the racial, ethnic, gender, and geographic diversity of Maryland
<b>Chairperson and Vice Chairperson</b>	-Chair Appointed by the Governor; may not need to be a lawyer and shall be selected from the State at large. May not hold an office of profit or trust under the Constitution or laws of this State or an office in a political party or	-Governor shall designate one of his appointees to be Chairperson -Vice Chairperson – selected by a vote of the majority of the Commission	Chair Designated by the Governor. No Vice Chairperson	Designated by the Governor

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	<p>be a full-time employee of the State</p> <p>-Vice Chairperson – selected by a vote of the majority of the Commission</p>			
<b>Terms</b>	Extend to date of qualification of the Governor elected at each quadrennial election and until successors are chosen	Extend to date of qualification of the Governor elected at each quadrennial election and until successors are chosen	Extend to the date of the qualification of the Governor at the next quadrennial election	Extend to the date of the qualification of the Governor at the next quadrennial election
<b>Number of Recommendations</b>	-Shall submit a list of not less than 5 nor more than 7 nominees for each vacancy	- Shall submit a list of not less than 5 nor more than 7 nominees for each vacancy	-shall submit a list of at least 3 qualified candidates to fill each vacancy -if multiple vacancies in same court, a Commission shall submit a list of at least 3 qualified persons for each vacancy	-if Commission determines that at least 3 applicants are legally and professionally qualified, it shall report those to the Governor. -shall re-advertise or submit names of qualified applicants if Commission determines that fewer than 3 applicants are legally and professionally qualified -may reconvene for further deliberations or re-advertise if requested by Governor
<b>Procedures</b>	-operate under procedures specified in Rules adopted by Chief Judge of COA. AOC and Governor shall provide for training of Commission members. - Commission shall notify MD Bar and other appropriate bar associations when notified a vacancy exists or is about to occur and request recommendations. May also seek recommendations from interested citizens	-operate under procedures specified in Rules adopted by Chief Judge of COA. AOC and Governor shall provide for training of Commission members -Commission shall notify MD Bar and other appropriate bar associations when notified a vacancy exists or is about to occur and request recommendations. May also seek recommendations from interested citizens	-no fewer than 10 members shall be present at a voting session - shall interview each applicant in person or by video teleconference if extraordinary circumstances and Governor approves -applicant may not be recommended unless by vote of a majority of members present at a voting session -if fewer then 3 candidates apply, then automatically readvertised. If	-Commission shall advertise the vacancy, encourage qualified candidates from a diversity of backgrounds to apply, notify the MD Bar and other bar associations and request recommendations, seek recommendations from interested citizens, and set a closing date -automatically readvertised if less than 3 applicants for a vacancy. If still less than 3 after readvertising,

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-no fewer than 11 members shall be present at a voting session</li> <li>person has been found legally and</li> <li>-most fully professionally qualified by a vote of a majority of members present</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Commission shall evaluate each nominee</li> <li>-no fewer than 11 members shall be present at a voting session</li> <li>-may not submit name unless that person has been found legally and most fully professionally qualified by a vote of a majority of members present</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>still remains fewer than 3, then can be submitted to Governor</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>then Commission can evaluate those applicants</li> <li>-shall place notices in at least one newspaper</li> <li>-shall interview each applicant in person or by video teleconference if extraordinary circumstances and Governor approves</li> <li>-voting session must be attended by at least 3/5 of members</li> </ul>
<b>Evaluation criteria</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-must be legally and most fully professionally qualified</li> <li>- look for integrity, maturity, health if job related, judicial temperament, diligence, legal knowledge, ability and experience, and community service</li> <li>-shall be sensitive to gender and diversity issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-shall select and nominate to the Governor found to be legally and most fully professionally qualified</li> <li>-look for integrity, maturity, health if job related, judicial temperament, diligence, legal knowledge, ability and experience, and community service</li> <li>-shall be sensitive to gender and diversity issues</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-shall recommend those candidates most legally and most fully professionally qualified</li> <li>-shall consider the applicant's integrity, maturity, temperament, diligence, legal knowledge, intellectual ability, professional experience, community service, and any other qualifications the Commission deems important for judicial service as well as the importance of having a diverse judiciary</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-shall consider the applicant's integrity, maturity, temperament, diligence, legal knowledge, intellectual ability, professional experience, community service, and any other qualifications the Commission deems important for judicial service as well as the importance of having a diverse judiciary</li> </ul>
<b>Education</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>each Commission, through the AOC, shall distribute informational and educational materials concerning judicial vacancies and functions of the Commission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>each Commission, through the AOC, shall distribute informational and educational materials concerning judicial vacancies and functions of the Commission</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair of each Commission shall request assistance from the AOC in providing training to Commission members</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Chair of each Commission may request assistance from the AOC in providing training to Commission members</li> </ul>
<b>Appointment</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Governor shall select a person from the list of nominees</li> <li>-may also fill by selecting a person from any list previously submitted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-Governor shall select a person from the list of nominees</li> <li>-may also fill by selecting a person from any list previously submitted</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>-may appoint from list submitted during the previous 2 years from the Commission</li> <li>-</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>for each vacancy, the Governor shall reappoint the incumbent judge; appoint an applicant who was recommended for a prior</li> </ul>

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