

As to the term "personal representative", *see* Art. 1, § 5.

Former Art. 27, § 854(a)(3), which defined "person" to mean a natural person, a firm, corporation, partnership, association, or other legal entity but applied only to provisions regarding notoriety of crimes contracts, is deleted as unnecessary.

(M) SECRETARY.

"SECRETARY" MEANS THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC SAFETY AND CORRECTIONAL SERVICES.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to avoid repetition of the full title, "Secretary of the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services".

Former Art. 27, § 743(j), which defined "Secretary" to mean the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services but applied only to the subtitle concerning the Criminal Justice Information System, is therefore deleted as unnecessary.

The first clause of former Art. 27, § 815(g), which defined "Secretary" to mean the Secretary of Public Safety and Correctional Services but applied only to the subheading concerning criminal injuries compensation, is therefore deleted as unnecessary. As to the rest of former Art. 27, § 815(g), which authorized the Secretary to have a designee, *see* § 11-805(c) of this article.

(N) STATE.

"STATE" MEANS:

(1) A STATE, POSSESSION, TERRITORY, OR COMMONWEALTH OF THE UNITED STATES; OR

(2) THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to provide an express definition of the term "state" for this article.

This definition conforms to the definition of "state" in other revised articles of the Code. *See, e.g.,* CS § 1-101(n), PUC § 1-101(v), and IN § 1-101(kk).

(O) STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY.

"STATE CORRECTIONAL FACILITY" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 1-101 OF THE CORRECTIONAL SERVICES ARTICLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection is new language added to provide a convenient, comprehensive term for referring to any place of confinement for inmates that is operated by the State.

This term, which was first defined for the Correctional Services Article, includes the former references to the Patuxent Institution, the Baltimore