

(1) may adopt an official seal, which shall be judicially noticed;

(2) may utilize on a reimbursable basis the services and personnel of the National Archives and Records Administration necessary (as determined by the Archivist) to assist the Board in the administration of the trust fund, and in the preparation and publication of special works and collections of sources and preparation, duplication, editing, and release of historical photographic materials and sound recordings, and may utilize on a reimbursable basis the services and personnel of other Federal agencies for such purposes;

(3) may adopt bylaws, rules, and regulations necessary for the administration of its functions under this chapter; and

(4) may, subject to the laws and regulations governing appointments in the civil service, appoint and fix the compensation of such personnel as may be necessary to carry out its functions.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1292; Pub. L. 98-497, title II, §202(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2293.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300hh (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §8, 55 Stat. 582).

#### REFERENCES IN TEXT

The laws governing appointments in the civil service, referred to in par. (4), are set out in Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. See, particularly, section 3301 et seq. of Title 5.

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: "In carrying out the purposes of this chapter, the Board may—

"(1) adopt an official seal, which shall be judicially noticed;

"(2) appoint, or authorize the Chairman to appoint, without regard to the civil-service laws, necessary employees, and fix their duties; and

"(3) adopt bylaws, rules, and regulations necessary for the administration of its functions under this chapter."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

### § 2303. Powers and obligations of the Board; liability of members

Except as otherwise provided by this chapter, the Board shall have all the usual powers and obligations of a trustee with respect to property and funds administered by it, but the members of the Board are not personally liable, except for malfeasance.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1292; Pub. L. 98-497, title II, §202(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2293.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300ff (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §6, 55 Stat. 582).

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 amended section generally, inserting "Except as otherwise provided by this chapter,".

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

### § 2304. Compensation of members; availability of trust funds for expenses of the Board

Compensation may not be paid to the members of the Board for their services as members. Costs incurred by the Board in carrying out its duties under this chapter, including the obligations necessarily incurred by the members of the Board in the performance of their duties and the compensation of persons employed by the Board, shall be paid by the Archivist of the United States from trust funds available to the Board for this purpose. The Board, by resolution, may authorize the transfer of funds (including the principal or interest of a gift or bequest) to the National Archives and Records Administration to be expended on an archival or records activity approved by the Board or to accomplish the purpose of a gift or bequest.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1292; Pub. L. 98-497, title II, §202(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2293.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300ii (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §9, 55 Stat. 582).

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: "Compensation may not be paid to the members of the Board for their services as members. Costs incurred by the Board in carrying out its duties under this chapter, including the expenditures necessarily made by the members of the Board in the performance of their duties and the compensation of persons employed by the Board, shall be paid out of income from trust funds available to the Board for the purpose. Unless otherwise restricted by the instrument of gift or bequest, the Board, by resolution, may authorize the Chairman to use for these purposes, or for any other purpose for which funds may be expended under this chapter, the principal of a gift or bequest accepted under this chapter."

#### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

### § 2305. Acceptance of gifts

The Board may solicit and accept gifts or bequests of money, securities, or other personal property, for the benefit of or in connection with the national archival and records activities administered by the National Archives and Records Administration. Moneys that are for deposit into the trust fund shall be deposited within 10 working days of the receipt thereof.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1292; Pub. L. 98-497, title II, §202(a), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2293.)

#### HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300cc (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §3, 55 Stat. 581).

#### AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 amended section generally. Prior to amendment, section read as follows: "The Board

may accept, receive, hold, and administer gifts or bequests of money, securities, or other personal property, for the benefit of or in connection with the national archival and records activities administered by the General Services Administration as may be approved by the Board.”

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

**§ 2306. Investment of funds**

The Secretary of the Treasury shall receipt for moneys or securities composing trust funds given or bequeathed to the Board and shall invest, reinvest, and retain the moneys or securities as the Board from time to time determines. The Board may not engage in business or exercise a voting privilege which may be incidental to securities in such trust funds, nor may the Secretary of the Treasury make investments for the account of the Board which could not lawfully be made by a trust company in the District of Columbia, unless directly authorized by the instrument of gift or bequest under which the funds to be invested are derived, and may retain investments accepted by the Board.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1292.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300dd (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §4, 55 Stat. 581).

**§ 2307. Trust fund account; disbursements; sales of publications and releases**

The income from trust funds held by the Board and the proceeds from the sale of securities and other personal property, as and when collected, shall be covered into the Treasury of the United States in a trust fund account to be known as the National Archives Trust Fund, subject to disbursement on the basis of certified vouchers of the Archivist of the United States (or his designee) for activities approved by the Board and in the interest of the national archival and records activities administered by the National Archives and Records Administration, including but not restricted to the preparation and publication of special works, and collections of sources and the preparation, duplication, editing, and release of historical photographic materials and sound recordings. The Archivist may sell publications and releases authorized by this section and paid for out of the income derived from trust funds at a price which will cover their cost, plus 10 percent, and moneys received from these sales shall be paid into, administered, and expended as part of the National Archives Trust Fund.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1293; Pub. L. 98-497, title II, §202(b), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2294.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300ee (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §5, 55 Stat. 581).

AMENDMENTS

1984—Pub. L. 98-497 substituted “on the basis of certified vouchers of the Archivist of the United States (or

his designee) for activities approved by the Board and in the interest of the national archival and records activities administered by the National Archives and Records Administration” for “by the Division of Disbursement, Treasury Department, on the basis of certified vouchers of the Chairman or his authorized agent, unless otherwise restricted by the instrument of gift or bequest, for and in the interest of the national archival and records activities administered by the General Services Administration” and “Archivist” for “Chairman” in second sentence.

EFFECTIVE DATE OF 1984 AMENDMENT

Amendment by Pub. L. 98-497 effective Apr. 1, 1985, see section 301 of Pub. L. 98-497, set out as a note under section 2102 of this title.

TRANSFER OF FUNCTIONS

Division of Disbursement of Treasury Department consolidated into Fiscal Service of Treasury Department by section 1(a)(1) of Reorg. Plan No. III of 1940, eff. June 30, 1940, 5 F.R. 2107, 54 Stat. 1231, set out in the Appendix to Title 5, Government Organization and Employees. See section 306 of Title 31, Money and Finance.

**§ 2308. Tax exemption for gifts**

Gifts and bequests received by the Board under this chapter, and the income from them are exempt from taxes.

(Pub. L. 90-620, Oct. 22, 1968, 82 Stat. 1293.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Based on 44 U.S. Code, 1964 ed., §300gg (July 9, 1941, ch. 284, §7, 55 Stat. 582).

**CHAPTER 25—NATIONAL HISTORICAL PUBLICATIONS AND RECORDS COMMISSION**

Sec. 2501.	Creation; composition; appointment and tenure; vacancies; meetings. <sup>1</sup>
2502.	Vacancies.
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2506.	Records to be kept by grantees.
[2507.]	Repealed.]

AMENDMENTS

1988—Pub. L. 100-365, §5, July 13, 1988, 102 Stat. 825, amended analysis generally, inserting “; vacancies; meetings” after “tenure” in item 2501, substituted “staff; transportation expenses” for “editorial and clerical staff; reimbursement of members for transportation expenses; honorarium” in item 2503 and “historical publications and records programs; authorization for appropriations” for “collection, reproduction, and publication of documentary historical source material” in item 2504, and reenacting items 2502, 2505, and 2506 without change.

1984—Pub. L. 98-497, title I, §107(b)(12)(B), Oct. 19, 1984, 98 Stat. 2287, struck out item 2507 “Report to Congress”.

1974—Pub. L. 93-536, §1(a), Dec. 22, 1974, 88 Stat. 1734, inserted “AND RECORDS” after “PUBLICATIONS” in chapter heading.

**§ 2501. Creation; composition; appointment and tenure; meetings**

(a) The National Historical Publications and Records Commission shall consist of 15 members as follows:

<sup>1</sup> So in original. Does not conform to section catchline.