

The Great Seal of Maryland Application

Use of Facsimile of the Great Seal of Maryland - Form

The Secretary of State of Maryland is designated by law as the custodian of the Great Seal of Maryland. Because of this statutory responsibility, the Office has historically given its view as to whether a particular use is appropriate and lawful under Criminal Law Article, §§10-701- 10-706, as that law has been interpreted by the Attorney General. Please be aware that misuse of a facsimile of the Great Seal of Maryland is subject to a penalty.

Please print and complete the form below. Then mail it to Office of the Secretary of State, State House, Annapolis MD 21401 or FAX it to 410-974-5190 to the attention of the Secretary of State. You will receive a response within 5 business days.

If you have questions, call 410-974-5521 ext. 3868 (toll free - 888-874-0013 ext. 3868) or [email](#) your question to us.

Name

Address

Telephone number

FAX number

Describe in full detail the intended use of the Great Seal of Maryland (attach depiction or drawing), including whether it will be used on a product or product package, or to advertise or promote the sale of a product or service, and whether it will be altered or have any other words or design on or near it.

The following is for use by the Office of the Secretary of State

It is the opinion of the Office of the Secretary of State that:

- The use described is lawful and appropriate
- The use may be lawful but is inappropriate
- The use is unlawful

The opinion of the Office of the Secretary of State is only advisory. Any person or entity using a facsimile of the Great Seal of Maryland bears the responsibility of compliance with Maryland law.

Signature: _____ Date _____