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The area in the United States comprised of a 68 square mile area northeast of the Potomac River donated by the state of Maryland. The District of Columbia, also known as D.C., is not a state, nor is it part of any state. It is a "federal district" established by the US Constitution as the seat of government. The district is occupied entirely by the city of Washington.