

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Section 5-313  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1984 Replacement Volume and 1986 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) (I) "COMMUNITY SPORTS RECREATION PROGRAM" MEANS AN ATHLETIC PROGRAM, FITNESS, OR RECREATION ACTIVITY:

1. ORGANIZED FOR PLEASURE, RECREATION, OR OTHER NONPROFIT PURPOSES;

2. THAT HAS SUBSTANTIALLY ALL OF ITS ACTIVITIES CONDUCTED FOR PLEASURE, RECREATION, OR OTHER NONPROFIT PURPOSES; AND

3. THAT DOES NOT HAVE ANY PART OF THE NET EARNINGS BENEFITING ANY PRIVATE SHAREHOLDER.

(II) "COMMUNITY SPORTS RECREATION PROGRAM" DOES NOT INCLUDE A PUBLIC OR PRIVATE EDUCATIONAL INSTITUTION'S ATHLETIC PROGRAM.

(3) "VOLUNTEER" MEANS A PERSON WHO, EXCEPT FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF EXPENSES, PROVIDES SERVICES OR ASSISTANCE AS AN ATHLETIC COACH, MANAGER, OR OFFICIAL, PROGRAM LEADER, OR ASSISTANT FOR A COMMUNITY SPORTS RECREATION PROGRAM FREE OF CHARGE.

(B) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION, A VOLUNTEER IS NOT PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN ANY CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST THE VOLUNTEER BY VIRTUE OF THE VOLUNTEER'S ACT OR OMISSION IN PROVIDING SERVICES OR PERFORMING DUTIES ON BEHALF OF A COMMUNITY SPORTS RECREATION PROGRAM.

(C) A VOLUNTEER IS PERSONALLY LIABLE FOR DAMAGES IN ANY CIVIL ACTION BROUGHT AGAINST THE VOLUNTEER IN WHICH IT IS FOUND THAT:

(1) THE DAMAGES WERE THE RESULT OF THE VOLUNTEER'S NEGLIGENT OPERATION OF A MOTOR VEHICLE;