

**Insurance - Administrative Hearings - Representation of Corporations  
Insurers**

FOR the purpose of requiring the Insurance Commissioner to allow ~~any~~ an insurer that is a party to a hearing held by the Insurance Commissioner to ~~appear through a designee~~ be represented by a certain designee of the insurer; authorizing an individual who is not licensed to practice law in the State and who is a designee of ~~a corporation~~ an insurer to represent ~~the corporation~~ the insurer in a proceeding before the Office of Administrative Hearings while appearing on behalf of the ~~corporation~~ insurer in an administrative hearing under the Insurance Article; and generally relating to representation of ~~corporations~~ insurers in administrative hearings under the Insurance Article.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 2-213(b)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

~~Section 9-1607.1(a)(3)~~

Section 9-1607.1(a)(3) and (4)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 9-1607.1(a)(5)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

**Article - Insurance**

2-213.

(b) (1) The Commissioner shall allow any party to a hearing to:

(i) appear in person ~~OR THROUGH A DESIGNEE~~ [and];

(ii) be represented:

1. by counsel; OR

2. IN THE CASE OF AN INSURER, BY A DESIGNEE OF THE

INSURER WHO: