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October 28, 2008

Ms. Roxana Whitt Calvert County 150 Main Street Prince Frederick, Maryland 20678

Re: 08-3555 Skarolid/ Feige Variance

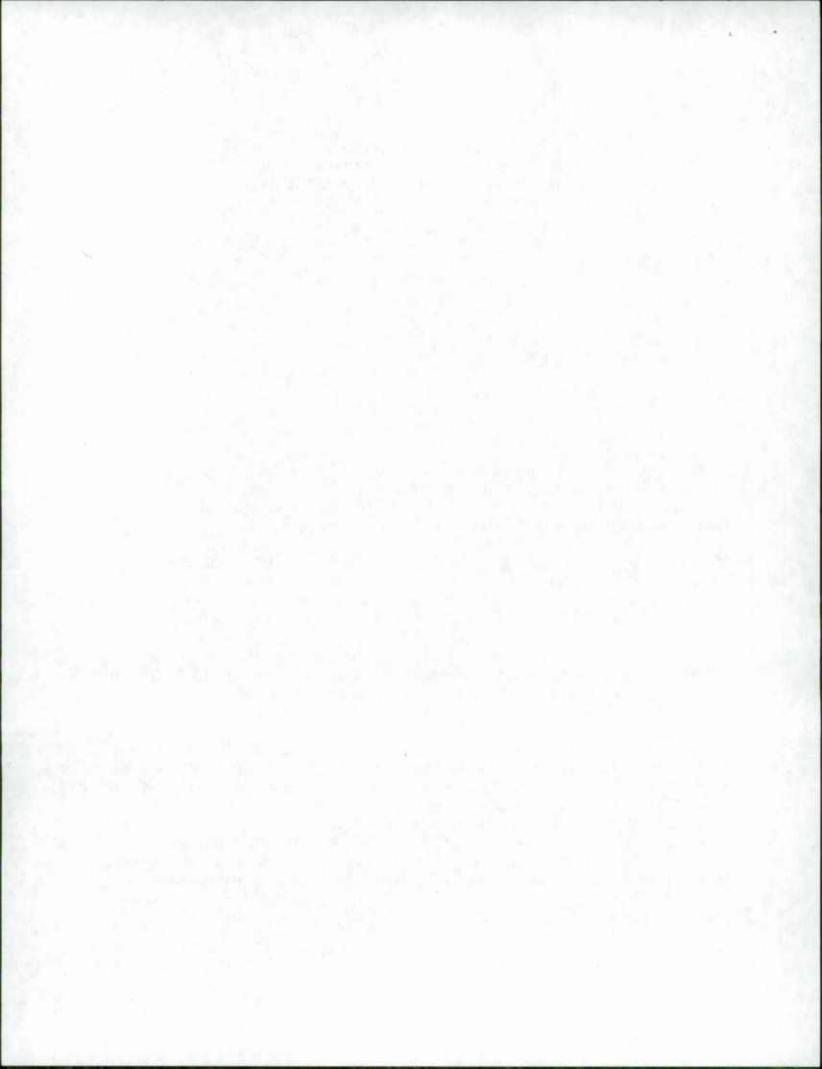
Dear Ms. Whitt:

Thank you for providing information on the above-referenced variance application. The applicant is requesting a variance to allow redevelopment of an existing house partially in the 100-foot Buffer in the Limited Development Area (LDA). It is not a Buffer Modification Area. Based on the information provided, we have a number of concerns.

Calvert County's variance standards require that the requested variance be the minimum necessary to provide relief from the regulations. The proposed decks do not meet the requirement of minimization, in terms of size and further intrusion into the Buffer beyond the line established by the existing deck. Additional minimization of impact to the Buffer appears possible and should be required.

Mitigation for disturbance within the Buffer needs be provided at a 3:1 ratio not 1:1 as proposed. Also the use of clusters means that the planting must be in 400 sq. ft. clusters to achieve maximum habitat value. This mitigation should be required as a condition of the variance approval and should be located in the Buffer to the extent possible.

It appears that this application was received on September 18, 2008 and therefore may qualify to be grandfathered under the County's impervious surface area limits and policies in place prior to July 1, 2008. If the applicant intends for this project to be grandfathered in this sense, please note that Chapter 119 of the 2008 Laws of Maryland requires the applicant to submit a lot coverage plan to the County for review and approval by July 1, 2010. Alternatively, the applicant can apply the current lot coverage limits and policies. The site plan should be amended to reflect the intent of the applicant in regard to the impervious surface area/lot coverage requirements.



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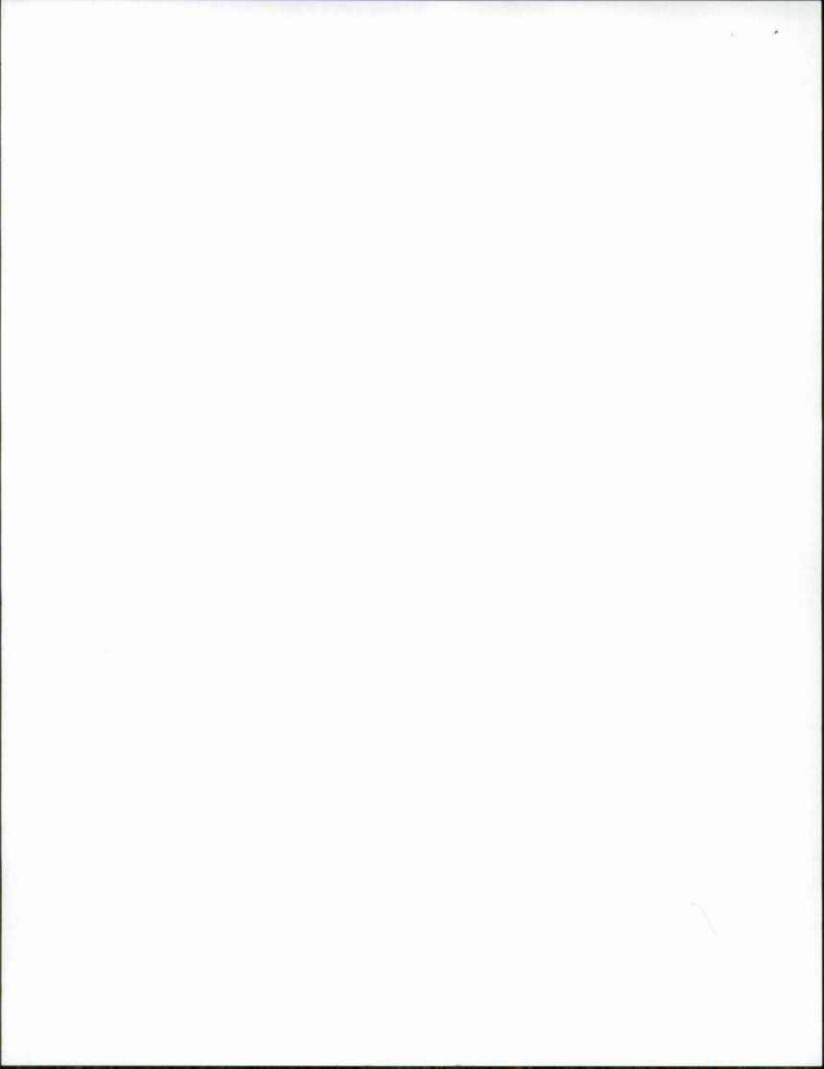
Thank you for the opportunity to provide comments. Please include this letter in your file and submit it as part of the record for this variance. Also, please notify the Commission in writing of the decision made in this case. If you have any questions, please contact me at (410) 260-3468.

Sincerely,

Roby Hurley

Natural Resources Planner

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CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS ORDER

Case No. 08-3555
Public Hearing: November 6, 2008

Roland Joun from Wilkerson & Associates, Inc. has applied on behalf of the property owners Richard Skarolid & Gregg Feige for a variance in the 100' waterfront buffer requirement for construction of a replacement dwelling, deck and septic system and for construction of a new deck addition within the buffer. The property is located at 12800 Bay Drive, Lusby (Tax Map 48A, Block B, Section 3-A, Lot 1, Drum Point) and is zoned RC Rural Commercial.

The case was presented November 6, 2008 before Board of Appeals members Mr. Michael Reber, Chairman; Dr. Walter Boynton, Vice Chairman; and Mr. Michael Redshaw, member; (the Board). Mr. Carlton Green, Esquire, served as the Board's Counsel. Mr. Roland Joun from Wilkerson & Associates, Inc. was present at the hearing.

AUTHORITY OF THE BOARD OF APPEALS

The jurisdiction of the Board of Appeals is based on Article 66B of the Annotated Code of Maryland, as amended. Article 11 Section 1.01.B of the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance provides that the Board of Appeals shall have the authority to grant variances from the Critical Area requirements of Section 8-1 of the Ordinance.

TESTIMONY & EVIDENCE PRESENTED

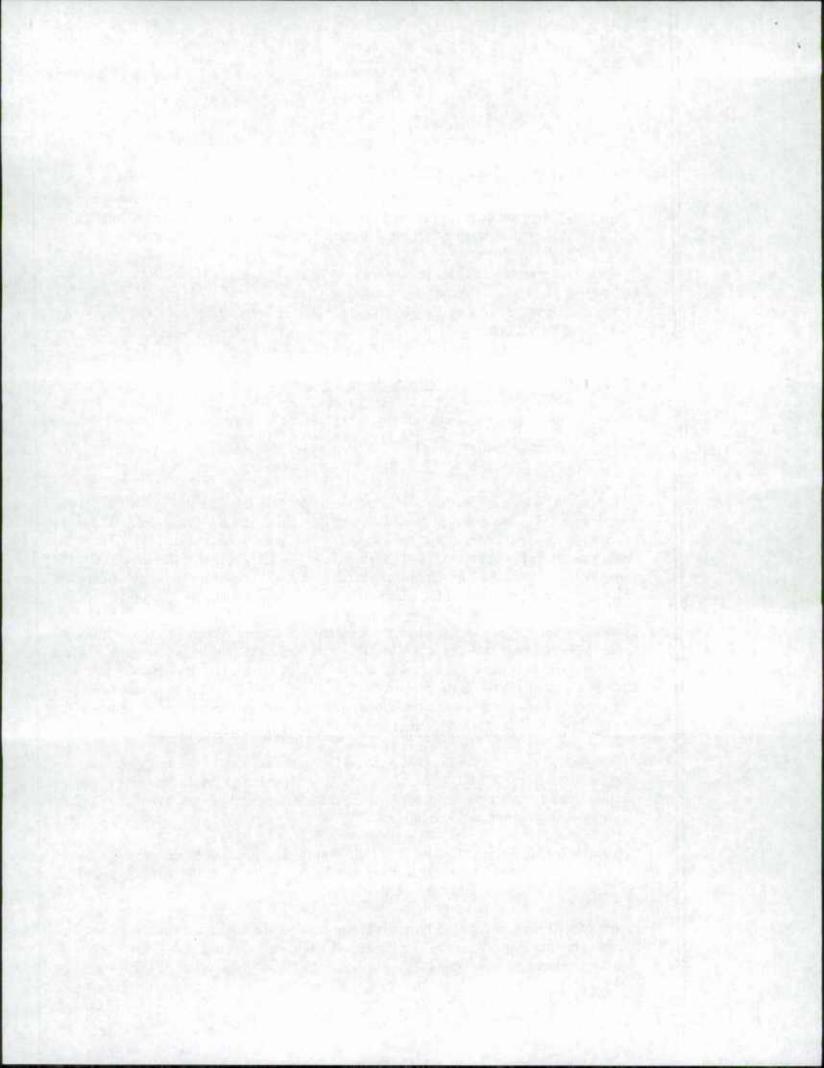
- 1. The following Applicants' Exhibits were entered into the record at the November hearing:
 - Exhibit No. 1 Application
 - Exhibit No. 2 Plat Submitted With Application
- 2. A Staff Report prepared by Roxana Whitt, Board of Appeals Administrator, was entered into the record at the November hearing and marked Staff Exhibit No. 1.

- 3. The following correspondence was entered into the record at the hearing:
 - Letter dated September 23, 2008 to Roxana Whitt from Roby Hurley, Natural Resources Planner, Chesapeake Bay Critical Area Commission
 - Memorandum dated September 24, 2008 to Roxana Whitt from John Knopp, Site Engineering Technician, Calvert County Department of Public Works
 - Memorandum dated September 17, 2008 to Pam Helie from Ron Babcock, Calvert Soil Conservation District
 - Letter dated October 16, 2008 from Jim & Mary Mehring, 12804 Bay Drive, Lusby, MD 20657

FINDINGS OF FACT

Based on the application and testimony and evidence presented at the hearing the Board makes the following Findings of Fact:

- 1. As shown by applicants' Exhibit No. 2 and testimony, the property is a residential lot that consists of .381 acre and is situated between Bay Drive and the Chesapeake Bay at the northeast edge of Drum Point subdivision. The terrain is primarily level with the exception of an 18-foot high cliff at the shoreline. The lot is currently developed with a 2-level house situated ~88 feet from the shoreline and ~35 feet from the edge of the cliff. The shoreline is protected with a bulkhead and no erosion is noted on the property.
- 2. The applicants propose to remove the existing house and replace it with a house of essentially the same size and within the footprint of the existing house, but with a 2-foot overhang and new decks on the north and waterfront sides. The development plan also includes a pool on the north property line, relocation of the driveway, and additional walkways, none of which require variance approval. Only the decks and a portion of the house lie within the waterfront buffer and require variance approval.
- 3. The 100' waterfront buffer extends to the middle of the existing house and encompasses a large portion of the lot. The location of the waterfront buffer on the property is not the result of any action by the applicant. No expansion of the replacement dwelling would be possible without variance approval.
- 4. The front Building Restriction Line lies adjacent to the front wall of the proposed house. The house could not be moved forward and further away from the waterfront without necessitating a variance to the front setback requirements.
- 5. Stormwater management will be provided to address the small increase in impervious surface on the property. The applicants will mitigate clearing and disturbance with clustered plantings at a proportion specified by Critical Area law. Silt fence will be



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installed prior to construction to provide sediment and crosion control. These measures negate and/or mitigate any adverse impacts to water quality and Critical Area habitat.

- 6. The septic system consists of one existing and one replacement vertical drywell, both located on the north half of the property. The existing septie system drywell lies within the 100-foot buffer. The proposed replacement drywell lies just outside the 100-foot buffer. A pre-treatment unit for denitrification will be added to the septic system, which will improve water quality.
- 7. The proposed deck expansions will be located on the second story of the house with pervious surfaces below. Stairs from the deck on the north side of the house will allow direct access from the house to the ground level. Decks are a common feature on houses throughout Calvert County, including houses within the Critical Area. Houses and decks on properties adjacent to the subject lot are located closer to the Bay than the replacement dwelling and decks proposed by the applicants. Denial of a modest increase in the size of the decks would result in unwarranted hardship and would deny the applicants rights commonly enjoyed throughout the Critical Area.
- 8. The variance requested is in harmony with the general spirit and intent of the Critical Area law. All potential impacts from the proposed construction have been minimized with this proposal and will be mitigated after construction.
- 9. The property's Rural Commercial zoning allows residential use. Because the property is located within a residential neighborhood, the proposed residential use is appropriate and in conformance with the County's Comprehensive Plan.
- 10. The findings above demonstrate that the applicant has overcome the presumption of nonconformance with the Maryland Critical Area Legislation and that approval of the variance will not result in injury to the public interest.

CONCLUSIONS

Based on the above Findings of Fact, the Board coneludes the following:

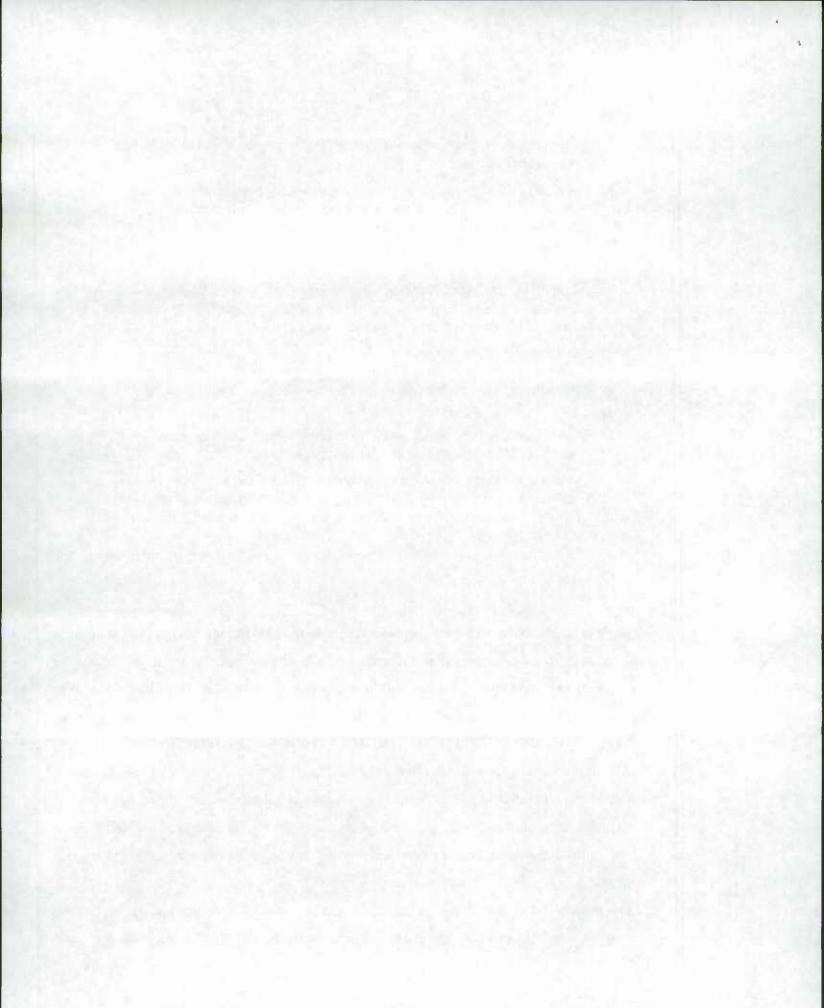
- 1. The Board concludes that the development activity that is the subject of this variance request conforms with the Maryland Critical Area Legislation.
- 2. The Board concludes that it has the authority to grant the subject variance from the Critical Area requirements of Section 8-1 of this Ordinance.
- 3. The Board eoncludes that the applicant has overcome the presumption of noneonformance as required in Section 11-1.01.B.2 &3 of the Zoning Ordinance.
- 4. The Board eoncludes that the applicant has met cach of the required variance standards as:
 - a. The variance will not result in injury to the public interest; and

- b. the variance is the minimum adjustment necessary to afford relief from the regulations; and
- c. special conditions or circumstances exist that are peculiar to the land or structure within Calvert County and that a literal enforcement of provisions within the County's Critical Area Program would result in unwarranted hardship; and
- d. a literal interpretation of the Critical Area Legislation and the Calvert County Critical Area Program and related ordinances will deprive the applicant of rights commonly enjoyed by other properties in similar areas within the Critical Area of the County.
- e. the granting of the variance would not confer upon the applicants a special privilege that would be denied by the Calvert County Critical Area Program to other lands or structures within the County's and the State's critical area programs; and
- f. the variance request is not based upon conditions or circumstances which are the result of actions by the applicant; and
- g. granting the variance would not adversely affect water quality and adversely impact fish, wildlife, and plant habitat within the County's Critical Area, and granting the variances would be in harmony with the general spirit and intent of the Critical Area law.

ORDER

It is hereby ordered, by a unanimous decision, that the variance in the 100' waterfront buffer requirement for construction of a replacement dwelling, deck and septic system and for construction of a new deck addition within the buffer, as requested by Roland Joun from Wilkerson & Associates, Inc. on behalf of the property owners Richard Skarolid & Gregg Fcige, be GRANTED SUBJECT TO THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS:

- 1. All permits and approvals required by the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance and the Department of Planning and Zoning and those required by any other departments, agencies, commissions, boards or entities, in accordance with County, State and Federal law, must be obtained before commencing the development activity approved by this Order.
- 2. The proposed deck on the waterfront side of the house shall be reduced in size so that the front of the deck does not extend any further toward the Bay than the existing deck, and



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the deck shall not extend toward the southern end of the house any further than half way between the existing deck and the end of the house.

- 3. At the time of construction the applicants shall install a nitrogen reducing septic system to achieve a minimum 50% reduction of nitrogen from the effluent, as recommended by Maryland Department of the Environment and approved by the Department of Planning & Zoning's Environmental Planner and the Calvert County Health Department
- 4. The property shall be developed in phases with each phase being stabilized prior to proceeding to the next phase.
- 5. A phasing plan shall be submitted with the building permit.
- 6. Prior to work being done on site, the location of the house and the limitation of clearing shall be staked and marked.
- 7. The applicants' construction representative shall meet with representatives from the Department of Planning and Zoning and the Department of Public Works to determine the construction grading and limit of clearing prior to construction start.
- 8. There shall be no stockpiling of excavated materials on site.
- 9. A foundation location plat prepared by a registered surveyor must be submitted to and approved by the Department of Planning and Zoning prior to framing.
- 10. A 6" washed gravel bed shall be placed under any decks or deck areas to provide stabilization.
- 11. Stormwater management is required and the associated grading permit must be obtained.

 All downspouts shall discharge into drywells or other appropriate and approved stormwater management devices as recommended by the Department of Public Works.
- 12. A final as-built certification prepared by a registered surveyor must be submitted for approval by the Department of planning and Zoning showing that the grading was performed and structures were built according to the approved plan, prior to final approval of the project. A copy of the approved as-built certification shall be filed in the Board of Appeals record for this case.
- 13. Approval by the Zoning Enforcement Officer for the Board of Appeals is required prior to issuance of a Use and Occupancy Permit, or other final approval for the project, as determined by the Division of Inspection and Permits.

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14. In accordance with Section 11-1.02.C.3 of the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance any violation of conditions imposed by the Board of Appeals shall be considered a violation of the Zoning Ordinance and subject to the enforcement provisions of Section 1-7.

APPEALS

In accordance with Section 6 of the Calvert County Board of Appeals Rules of Procedure, "any party to a case may apply for a reconsideration of the Board's decision no later than 15 days from the date of the Board's Order."

In accordance with Section 11-1.07 of the Calvert County Zoning Ordinance, Board of Appeals decisions may be appealed to the Circuit Court of Calvert County by (1) any person aggrieved by any decision of the Board of Appeals or (2) any taxpayer, or (3) any officer, department, board or bureau of Calvert County. Such appeal shall be taken according to the Maryland Rules as set forth in Maryland Rules, Title 7, Chapter 200, as amended from time to time, within 30 days of the Board of Appeals Order.

Entered: December 2008 Pamela P. Helie, Clerk

Michael J. Reber, Chairman

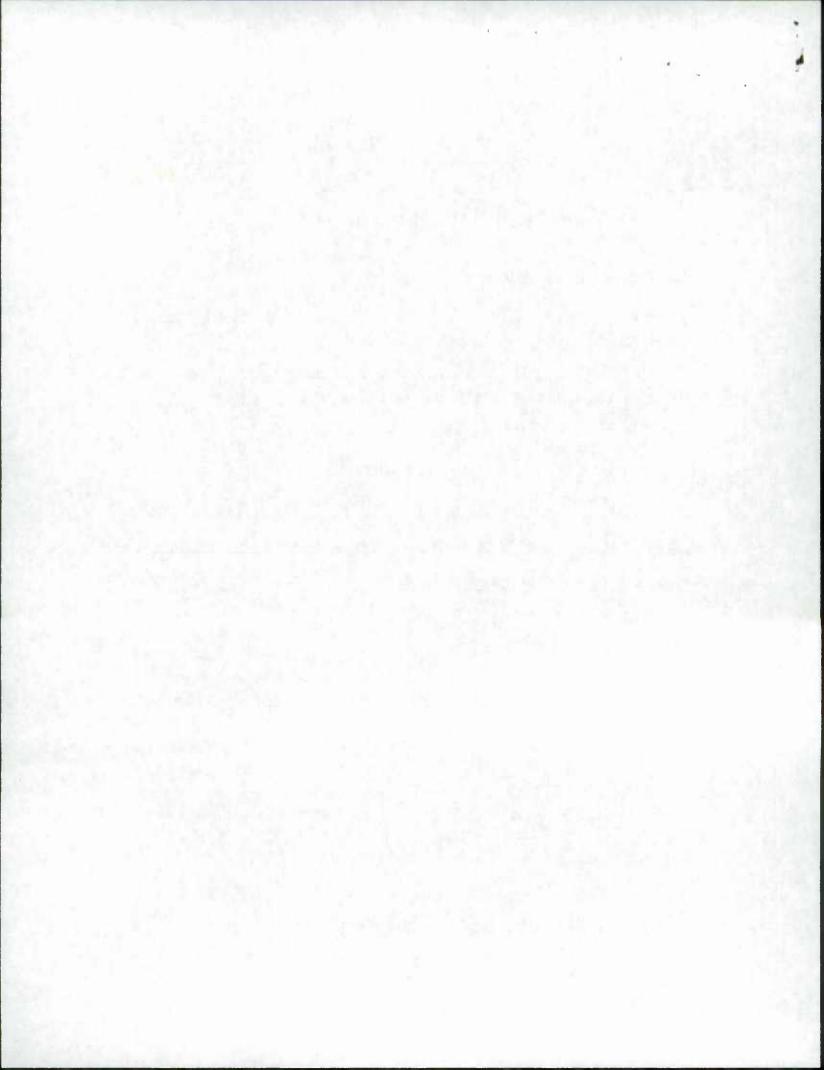
CALVERT COUNTY BOARD OF APPEALS

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(P&Z USE ONLY) FEES: PER FEE SCHEDULE
Date Filed:
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Case No.: 27-3355

APPLICATION FOR APPEAL

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION:
Tax Map No. 45 A Parcel Block B Section 3-A Lot 1
Tax ID No. 01-076043 Property Zoning Classification RD
Property Address 12800 Bay Dr. Lusby, MD 20657
Has subject property ever been before the Board of Appeals? (yes)(no)
If yes, give Case No. and date:
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PROPERTY OWNER(S):
PRINTED NAME(s): Richard W. Skarolid & Gregg G. Feige
MAILING ADDRESS: 12800 Bay Dr. Lusby Mo 20657-3267
TELEPHONE NUMBER:
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Owner's Signature and Date Co-Owner's Signature and Date
APPLICANT (if different from owner):
PRINTED NAME: Roland Jour
MAILING ADDRESS: P.O. BOXIT, DUNKIRK, MD ZOTSY
TELEPHONE TUMBER: (916) Z57-333Z
Applicant's Signature (if applicable)



PURPOSE OF APPEAL

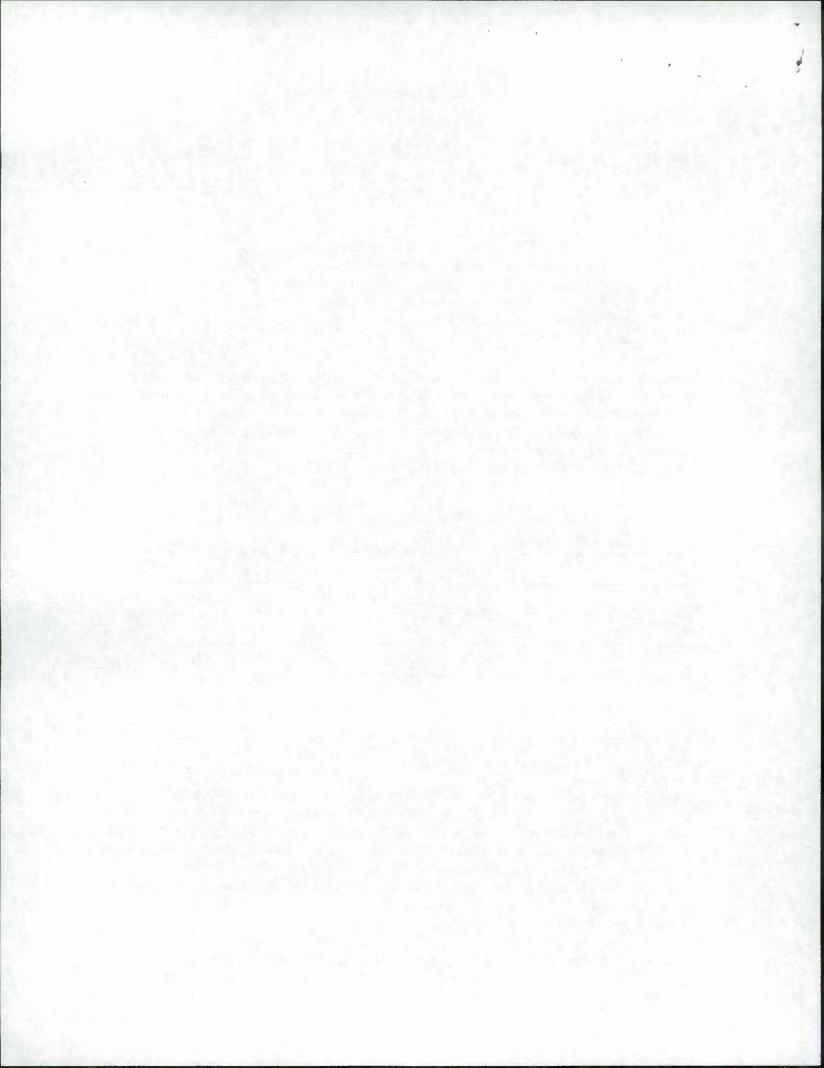
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Describe in specific detail the reason each item is requested. Building Restriction Line (BRL) variances must state which BRL is at issue (i.e., front/side/rear) and indicate distances required and proposed (Example: A variance in the front setback from 60 feet to 25 feet for construction of a garage). Impervious surface variances must state existing % impervious surface and % requested. Waterfront buffer variances must state the distance to the waterfront of the proposed structure.

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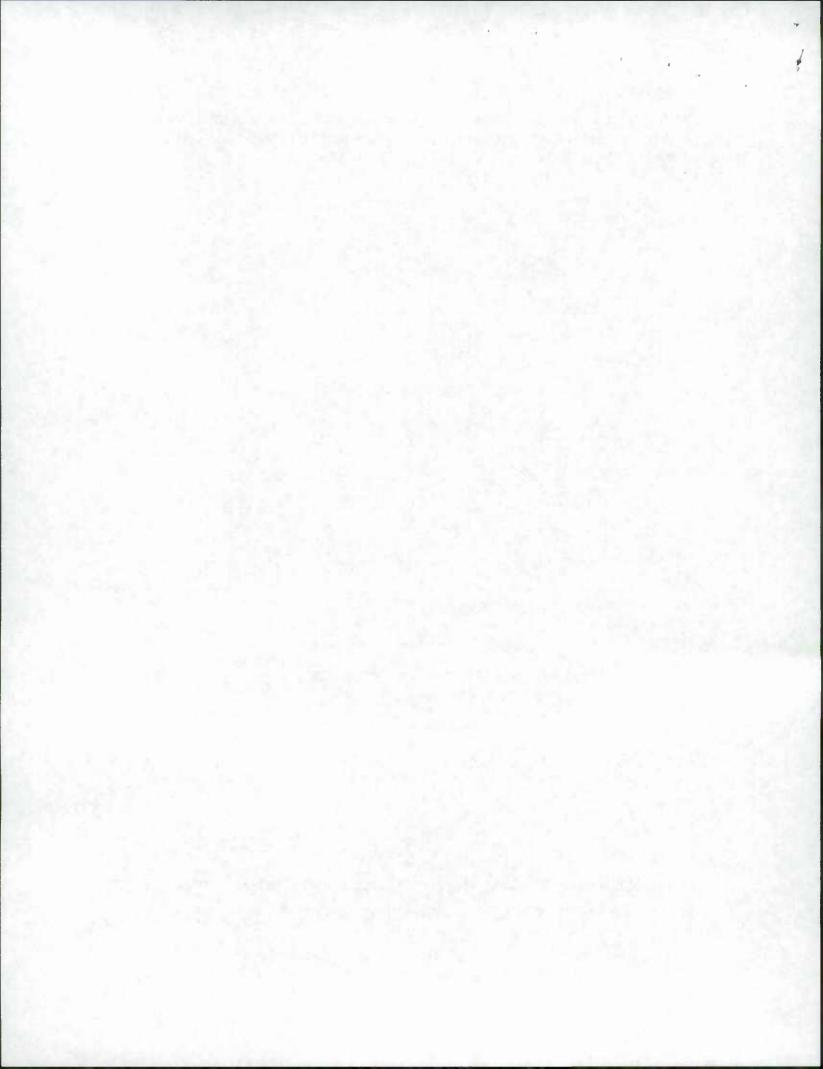
NOTE: APPLICATIONS AND PLANS THAT ARE INCOMPLETE MAY BE RETURNED TO THE APPLICANT FOR COMPLETION BEFORE SCHEDULING FOR PUBLIC HEARING.



AFFECTED PROPERTY OWNERS LIST

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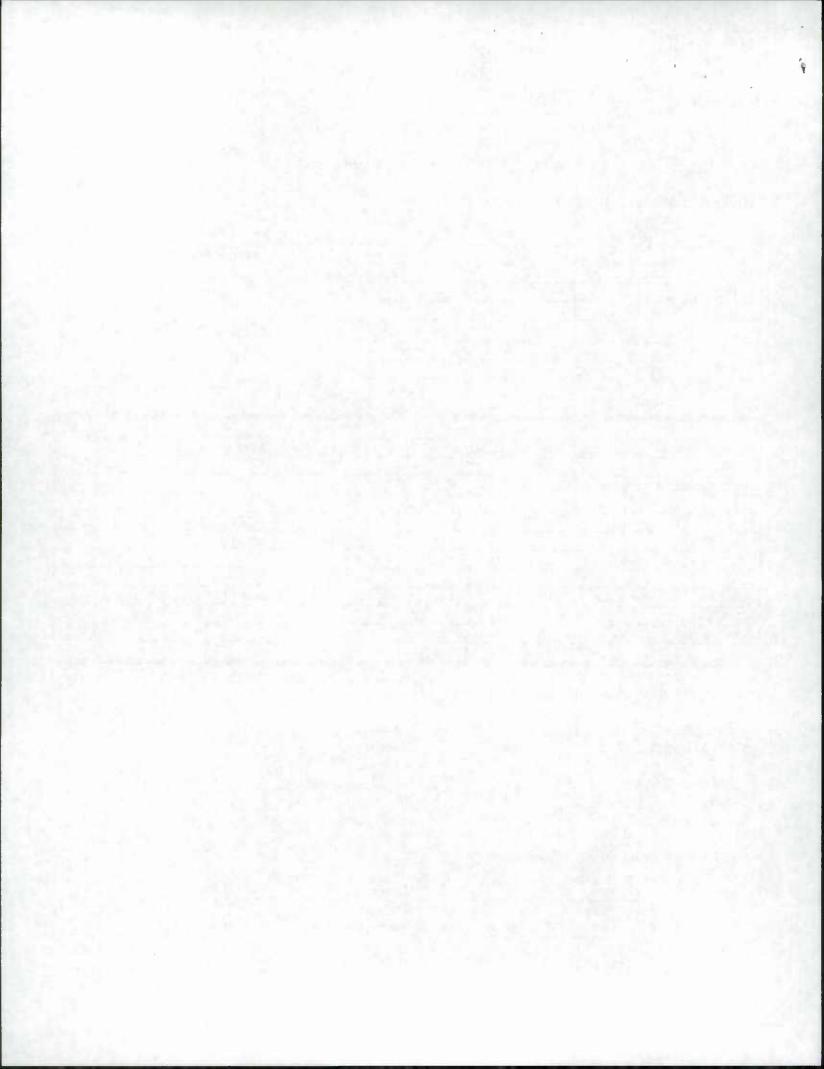


CRITICAL AREA COMMISSION FOR THE CHESAPEAKE AND ATLANTIC COASTAL BAYS 1804 WEST STREET, SUITE 100 ANNAPOLIS, MD 21401

PROJECT NOTIFICATION APPLICATION

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