

The Commission consists of five Commissioners appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate, one of whom is designated as chairperson. Members of the Commission, as of June 30, 1980, continue to serve the terms under which they were appointed. The term of the Commissioner appointed to a term commencing July 1, 1980, expires on June 30, 1986, the term of the Commissioner appointed to a term commencing July 1, 1981, expires on June 30, 1987, and the term of the Commissioner appointed to a term commencing on July 1, 1982, expires on June 30, 1988. Thereafter, members serve five-year terms (Chapter 729, Acts of 1980). The General Counsel of the Commission is an attorney-at-law of the State and is appointed by and serves at the pleasure of the Commission (Chapter 756, Acts of 1976).

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The Office of the People's Counsel operates independently from the Public Service Commission and may participate in all proceedings before the Commission. People's Counsel represents the interests of residential consumers of gas, electric, telephone, sewer and water services and non-commercial users of regulated transportation industries. The People's Counsel may appear before any federal or State agency, as necessary, to protect the interests of residential or noncommercial users (Chapter 756, Acts of 1976). The Office of the People's Counsel may use existing staff of the Commission and also retains additional expert witnesses to testify in various proceedings before the Commission; federal energy, transportation, and telephone agencies; and in judicial proceedings.

UTILITY CONSUMER ADVISORY PANEL

Members appointed by the president of the Senate: Walter J. Petzold, 1984; Dennis Devaney, 1983; J. C. Parker, Jr., 1983; Angela Beltram, 1985; Leah S. Freedlander, 1985; George D. Shropshire, 1985; *one vacancy.*

Members appointed by the speaker of the House: Gerald J. Pannick, 1982; Susan B. Schuster, 1982; Edward K. Barney, 1983; Jeffrey F. Liss, 1983; George L. Bowler, 1984; Offie Clark, 1984.

Ex officio members: Frank O. Heintz, *Chairperson, Public Service Commission;* John K. Keane, Jr., *People's Counsel.*

Chapter 860, Acts of 1978, created a Utility Consumer Advisory Panel within the Public Service Commission. The Panel advises the Public Service Commission on general goals for the development of programs, undertakes studies and issues reports, and fosters cooperation and understanding regarding utility matters among federal, State, and local agencies, as well as private groups and consumers. The Panel also advises the People's Counsel on general goals for the development of programs and on specific consumer goals and objectives in order to assist the People's Counsel in formulating policy in rate cases, investigations, and other matters in which the People's Counsel may be involved.

The Panel consists of thirteen public members geographically representative of the utility consuming public. Seven are appointed by the President of the Senate, and six by the Speaker of the House of Delegates. Originally four appointees served one-year terms, four served two-year terms, and five served three-year terms as determined by lot within each category. Now members serve three-year terms. The Panel annually elects a chairperson from its membership and appoints a secretary. It meets at times determined by the membership but must meet at least once every three months with the commissioners of the Public Service Commission and the People's Counsel to advise and assist them.

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