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The State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers was created in 1990 to license real estate appraisers (Chapter 594, Acts of 1990). Any person who wishes to provide real estate appraisal services in Maryland must be licensed by the Commission.

The Commission's nine members are appointed to three-year terms by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation and Senate advice and consent. Nominated by the Commission, the Executive Director is appointed by the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 15.5-101 through 15.5-802).

REAL ESTATE APPRAISAL HEARING BOARD
Vacancy, *Chairperson*

Appointed by State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers: not yet appointed

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With the approval of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers may establish a Real Estate Appraisal Hearing Board. The Board consists of three members appointed by the State Commission of Real Estate Appraisers from the Commission's membership.

LICENSURE OF SPORTS AGENTS
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In 1988, the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation was authorized to license sports agents recruiting athletes in Maryland and to suspend or revoke such licenses after a hearing (Chapter 695, Acts of 1988). The statute imposes certain duties on sports agents regarding the filing of contracts, disclosure of fee schedules, contract cancellation, advertising, prohibited activities, and record keeping (Code 1957, Art. 56, secs. 632-640).

LICENSING BOARDS

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The Executive Director of the Licensing Boards provides centralized administrative staff for the licensing boards within the Division of Occupation-

al and Professional Licensing. These include twelve boards and one unit: State Board of Architects; State Board of Master Electricians; Board of Examining Engineers; State Board for Professional Engineers; State Board of Foresters; State Board of Examiners for Hearing Aid Dealers; State Board of Certified Interior Designers; State Board for Professional Land Surveyors; State Board of Examiners of Landscape Architects; State Board of Pilots; State Board of Plumbing; State Board of Public Accountancy; and Licensure of Secondhand Precious Metals and Gem Dealers and Pawnbrokers.

STATE BOARD OF ARCHITECTS

Daniel W. Bennett, Jr., *Chairperson*, 1993

Appointed by Governor (who also designates chair) with advice of Secretary of Licensing & Regulation & with Senate advice & consent: Donald B. Ratcliffe, 1991; Lowell E. Nelson, 1992; Margot W. Milch, 1993; Charles H. Bohl, 1994; Robert W. Hoover, 1994; George Bushey, 1995.

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The State Board of Architects originated in 1935 as the Board of Examiners and Registration of Architects (Chapter 309, Acts of 1935). The Board was renamed as the Maryland Architectural Registration Board in 1968 (Chapter 463, Acts of 1968). In 1989, the Board received its present name (Chapter 3, Acts of 1989). The Board decides all matters pertaining to the registration of architects in Maryland. All persons, corporations, or partnerships seeking to practice architecture in the State must submit their qualifications to the Board or pass its examination before being registered and licensed to practice.

The Governor appoints the Board's seven members to five-year terms with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation and with Senate advice and consent. Five members must be architects who have engaged in independent practice for at least ten years. At least three members must be graduates of approved schools of architecture. Two members represent the public. The Governor designates the chairperson. Authorization for the Board continues until July 1, 2003 (Code Business Occupations and Professions Article, secs. 3-101 through 3-701).

STATE BOARD OF MASTER ELECTRICIANS

James R. Brown, *Chairperson*, 1992

Appointed by Governor with Senate advice & consent: Dennet L. Butler, 1990; Wade H. Sheriff, Jr., 1990; Rudolph C. Worch III, 1990; Jack W. McCorkle, 1991; Calvin Mims, 1991; Robert R.