## WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

CERTIFICATE NUMBER ASSIGNED BY THE COMMISSION TO THE APPRAISER ON EACH DOCUMENT THAT REFERS TO THE CERTIFIED STATUS OF THE APPRAISER.

(B) ON A CERTIFIED REAL ESTATE APPRAISER REPORT, THE CERTIFICATE NUMBER SHALL APPEAR ADJACENT TO THE TITLE "CERTIFIED RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE APPRAISER" OR "CERTIFIED GENERAL REAL ESTATE APPRAISER".

## SUBTITLE 6. PROCEDURES

## 15.5-601.

- (A) SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL START PROCEEDINGS UNDER § 15.5-701 OF THIS TITLE ON A COMPLAINT MADE TO THE COMMISSION BY ANY PERSON.
  - (B) (1) A COMPLAINT SHALL:
    - (I) BE IN WRITING; AND
- (II) STATE SPECIFICALLY THE FACTS ON WHICH THE COMPLAINT IS BASED.
- (2) IF A COMPLAINT IS MADE BY ANY PERSON OTHER THAN THE COMMISSION, THE COMPLAINT SHALL BE MADE UNDER OATH BY THE PERSON WHO SUBMITS THE COMPLAINT.
- (3) A COMPLAINT MAY BE ACCOMPANIED BY DOCUMENTARY OR OTHER EVIDENCE.
- (C) THE COMMISSION SHALL INVESTIGATE EACH COMPLAINT SUBMITTED TO THE COMMISSION IF THE COMPLAINT:
- (1) ALLEGES FACTS THAT ESTABLISH A PRIMA FACIE CASE THAT IS GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER § 15.5–701 OF THIS TITLE; AND
  - (2) MEETS THE REQUIREMENTS OF THIS SECTION.
- (D) (1) ON CONCLUSION OF THE INVESTIGATION, THE COMMISSION SHALL DETERMINE IF THERE IS A REASONABLE BASIS TO BELIEVE THAT THERE ARE GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION UNDER § 15.5-701 OF THIS TITLE AGAINST AN APPLICANT OR LICENSEE.
- (2) (I) IF THE COMMISSION FINDS A REASONABLE BASIS AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE COMMISSION SHALL ACT ON THE COMPLAINT AS PROVIDED UNDER § 15.5-602 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (II) IF THE COMMISSION DOES NOT FIND A REASONABLE BASIS AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE