

of whom are graduates of schools of architecture accredited by the National Architectural Accrediting Board and all of whom have been engaged in the independent practice of architecture in the State of Maryland for a period of ten or more years at the time of their appointments, AND ONE MEMBER FROM THE PUBLIC AT LARGE. [[THE PUBLIC MEMBER OF THE BOARD SHALL NOT HAVE THE POWER TO VOTE EXCEPT WITH RESPECT TO THE EXERCISE OF THE BOARD'S POWERS UNDER §524. ]] The term of office of [said] THE members shall be five years of which AT LEAST one expires each year; and as the term of each member expires, the Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall appoint his successor for a term of five years. Any vacancy occurring at any time in the personnel of the Board shall be filled by appointment by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation of a successor for the unexpired term. The Governor, with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation, shall designate as chairman of the Board one of the members [so] appointed by him.

518.

(c) The Board may make, adopt, and amend [such] rules and regulations as it deems necessary to carry out the provisions of this subtitle. THE BOARD, WITH THE ADVICE OF THE ESTABLISHED ARCHITECTURE SOCIETIES, SHALL ADOPT AND PROMULGATE A CODE OF ETHICS FOR THE PRACTICE OF ARCHITECTURE, IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROCEDURES SET FORTH IN THE ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT GOVERNING THE PROMULGATION OF RULES AND REGULATIONS.

524.

(a) The Board may reprimand any person or suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the license of any person [who as found by] WHOM the Board FINDS:

(1) Has practiced any fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation in obtaining or renewing a license or informational statement; or

(2) Has committed any gross negligence, incompetence, fraud, or misconduct in the practice of architecture; or

(3) Has been convicted of, or entered a plea of nolo contendere to, any charge of a crime involving moral turpitude OR A VIOLATION OF THE STATE ELECTION LAWS in any court of competent jurisdiction; or

(4) HAS ADMITTED, IN WRITING OR UNDER OATH, ACTS OR OMISSIONS IN THE COURSE OF AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION