

circumstances in relation to evaluations of physicians.

BY adding to

Article 43 - Health
Section 136C
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 136C be and it is hereby added to Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1974 Supplement) to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

136C.

(A) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, "PERSON" MEANS THE MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL FACULTY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND, ITS COMPONENT MEDICAL SOCIETIES, ANY COMMITTEE OF THE MEDICAL AND CHIRURGICAL FACULTY OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND OR ITS COMPONENT SOCIETIES, IN-HOSPITAL STAFF COMMITTEES, CREDENTIALS COMMITTEE OF A HOSPITAL (OR ITS EQUIVALENT), CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER OF A HOSPITAL, DEAN OF ANY MEDICAL SCHOOL LOCATED IN MARYLAND, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF MEDICAL EXAMINERS, OR MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON MEDICAL DISCIPLINE.

(B) A PERSON IS NOT LIABLE FOR ANY CIVIL DAMAGES BECAUSE OF THE COMMUNICATION OF INFORMATION IN HIS POSSESSION TO ANY HOSPITAL, HOSPITAL MEDICAL STAFF, PROFESSIONAL SOCIETY, MEDICAL SCHOOL, OR PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD, WHEN THE COMMUNICATION IS MADE IN GOOD FAITH AND IS INTENDED TO AID IN THE EVALUATION OF THE QUALIFICATIONS, FITNESS OR CHARACTER OF A PHYSICIAN AND DOES NOT REPRESENT AS TRUE ANY MATTER NOT REASONABLY BELIEVED TO BE TRUE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1975.

Approved April 22, 1975.