

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

words and phrases shall have the meanings respectively ascribed to them by this section:

Advisory Committee on Consumer Affairs. Shall be hereinafter known as the "Committee" and shall consist of nine members who shall be appointed as follows: three members for three-year terms, three members for two-year terms and three members for a one-year term. Thereafter, each appointment for an unexpired term, shall be for a three-year term, and each appointee shall hold office until his successor is appointed and qualifies. All members of the Committee, including its temporary chairman, shall be designated by the County Executive subject to confirmation by the County Council. The members of the Committee shall serve without compensation, but they may be reimbursed for all expenses necessarily incurred in the performance of their duties.

Consumer. A purchaser, lessee, recipient or prospective purchaser, lessee or recipient of real estate, consumer goods or services or consumer credit, including a co-obligor surety.

Consumer goods, services, credit and debts. Real estate, goods, services, credit, debts and obligations which are primarily for personal, household, family or agricultural purposes.

Executive Director. A member of the County Executive's staff or his designee appointed to serve in this capacity.

Merchant. Any person who offers or makes available to consumers, either directly or indirectly, real estate, merchandise, goods, services or credit.

Person. An individual, proprietor, partnership, corporation, firm, cooperative, association or any other group of individuals, however organized.

Real Estate. Leaseholds and all other tangible interests in residential real property, dwellings, buildings or other structures situate on residential real property, including condominium units.

Sec. 2. Subsection (d) of Section 11-2 of Chapter 11 title "Consumer Protection," of the Montgomery County Code 1972, is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

11-2 Office of Consumer Affairs.

(d) To report to appropriate governmental agencies having jurisdiction over real estate transactions or