

CHAPTER 621

(House Bill 2023)

AN ACT concerning

Corporate Attorneys

FOR the purpose of exempting corporate house counsel who are members of the bar of another state, district, or territory of the United States from certain requirements relating to the practice of law in Maryland; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 10 - Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact
Section 1 and 32
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Sections 1 and 32 of Article 10 - Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1976 Replacement Volume and 1976 Supplement) be and they are hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 10 - Attorneys at Law and Attorneys in Fact

1.

[No] A person, except as provided in § 14A of Article 27 of the Annotated Code, [shall] MAY NOT practice the profession or perform the services of an attorney-at-law within this State without being admitted to the bar as hereinafter directed; and any person who shall give legal advice, represent any person in the trial of any case at law or in equity including the trial of any case before the District Court or any proceedings conducted in orphans' courts of the State, except cases arising under §§ 9-1 through 9-8, inclusive, of the Code of Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1969 Edition) or prepare any written instrument affecting the title to real estate, or give advice in the administration of probate of estates of decedents in any of the orphans' courts of this State, for pay or reward shall be deemed an attorney-at-law for purposes of this article. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SECTION DO NOT APPLY TO SECTION 32(B).

32.

(A) Any person who [shall exact, demand, take or receive] EXACTS, DEMANDS, TAKES, OR RECEIVES from any person whatsoever any fee, gratuity, gift or reward for