

(I) IS CLASSIFIED OR COMPENSATED AT GRADE LEVEL 18 OR ABOVE, OR IS APPOINTED TO AN EXECUTIVE AGENCY WHICH THE COMMISSION HAS NOT EXEMPTED PURSUANT TO § 2-102(G); ~~AND OR~~

(II) IS AUTHORIZED TO DRAFT SPECIFICATIONS FOR, NEGOTIATE, OR EXECUTE A CONTRACT WHICH COMMITS THE STATE OR ANY OF ITS SUBUNITS BOARDS, AGENCIES, OR DEPARTMENTS TO EXPEND IN EXCESS OF \$10,000 OR IS IN A MANAGERIAL OR POLICYMAKING POSITION AS DETERMINED BY THE ETHICS COMMISSION BY REGULATION UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE SECRETARY OF PERSONNEL.

(2) ANY INDIVIDUAL IN THE JUDICIAL BRANCH OF GOVERNMENT, INCLUDING AN INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYED IN THE OFFICE OF A CLERK OF COURT, OR PAID BY A POLITICAL SUBDIVISION TO PERFORM SERVICES IN ANY ORPHANS' COURT, A CIRCUIT COURT FOR A COUNTY, THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY OR ONE OF ITS COURTS, AND ANY INDIVIDUAL EMPLOYED BY THE ATTORNEY GRIEVANCE COMMISSION, THE STATE BOARD OF LAW EXAMINERS, OR THE STANDING COMMITTEE ON RULES WHO:

(I) IS CLASSIFIED OR COMPENSATED AT STATE GRADE LEVEL 18 OR ABOVE; AND

(II) IS NOT A JUDGE, MASTER, COMMISSIONER, EXAMINER, AUDITOR, OR REFEREE.

(AA) "REGISTRANT" MEANS ANY PERSON REQUIRED TO REGISTER PURSUANT TO § 5-103(A).

(BB) "RESPONDENT" MEANS AN OFFICIAL WHO IS THE SUBJECT OF A COMPLAINT BEFORE THE COMMISSION.

(CC) "STATE OFFICIAL" MEANS A MEMBER OR MEMBER-ELECT OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY, A JUDGE OR JUDGE-ELECT OF A COURT CREATED BY ARTICLE IV, SECTION 1 OF THE CONSTITUTION AND A PERSON DEFINED IN RULE 11 OF MARYLAND RULE NO. 1232 OR A CONSTITUTIONAL OFFICER OR OFFICER-ELECT IN THE EXECUTIVE BRANCH OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT, ~~OR A PUBLIC OFFICIAL~~. STATE OFFICIAL ALSO MEANS A PERSON HOLDING OFFICE AS STATE'S ATTORNEY, CLERK OF THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR EACH COUNTY OR OF A COURT OF THE SUPREME BENCH OF BALTIMORE CITY, REGISTER OF WILLS, AND SHERIFF.

~~TITLE 2. STATE ETHICS COMMISSION.~~

TITLE 2. STATE ETHICS AGENCIES ADMINISTRATION.

2-101. STATE ETHICS AGENCIES: ORGANIZATION.

THIS ARTICLE SHALL BE ADMINISTERED AND IMPLEMENTED BY THE FOLLOWING THREE ETHICS AGENCIES:

(1) THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE ETHICS, ESTABLISHED PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 40, SECTION 89, ACTING AS AN ADVISORY BODY AS TO THE APPLICATION OF THE PROVISIONS OF