

conclude whether or not the integrity of the contracting process and the best interests of the State would be served by continuing the person's disqualification. Upon making its determination, the Board shall notify the petitioner in writing either that (i) his disqualification has been removed or (ii) his disqualification has been continued.

(2) If the conviction forming the basis for disqualification of any person under subsection (b) or (e) is reversed or otherwise rendered void, that person's disqualification shall automatically terminate.

(g) The Attorney General shall conduct an investigation of the matters to be determined by the Board in any hearing under this section and shall present to the Board, as a party to the proceedings, such evidence as he deems appropriate. Hearings under this section shall be conducted in accordance with Article 41, subtitle 24, the Administrative Procedure Act, and any party aggrieved by a decision of the Board is entitled to judicial review.

(h) Every business entity, including an individual, upon submitting a bid or otherwise applying for a contract with the State, or any county or other subdivision of the State, [for the supply of goods or services by the business entity] shall submit an affidavit stating, to its best knowledge, whether it or (1) any of its officers, directors, or partners, or (2) any of its employees directly involved in obtaining contracts with the State, or any county or other subdivision of the State, has been convicted of bribery, attempted bribery, or conspiracy to bribe under the laws of any state or federal government.

(i) Any business entity, including an individual, of which the person disqualified under subsection (b) or (e) is (1) an officer, director, or partner, or (2) an employee directly involved in the process of obtaining contracts with the State, or any county or other subdivision of the State, is disqualified from entering into a contract with the State, or any county or other subdivision of the State, [for the supply of goods or services by the business entity,] and the Board shall notify the business entity in writing. A business entity disqualified under this section shall remain disqualified so long as that person remains with the business entity in any such capacity.

(j) Neither the State, nor any county or other subdivision of the State, shall knowingly award or enter into any contract whereby [goods or services] SUPPLIES, SERVICES, OR CONSTRUCTION will be supplied directly or indirectly to the State, or any county or other subdivision of the State, by a person or business entity disqualified under this section.

(k) (1) The clerk of the circuit court of each county and the clerk of the Criminal Court of Baltimore City shall send to the Board [of Public Works] a certified copy of each