

-f-(ii)-f- Is not a judge, master, commissioner, examiner, auditor, or referee.

(4) EXCEPT FOR ANY FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME FACULTY MEMBER AT A STATE INSTITUTION OF HIGHER EDUCATION, ANY INDIVIDUAL IN AN EXECUTIVE AGENCY WHO, AS DETERMINED BY THE ETHICS COMMISSION PURSUANT TO SECTION 2-103(H), IS CHARGED, INDIVIDUALLY OR AS A MEMBER OF THE EXECUTIVE AGENCY, WITH DECISION MAKING AUTHORITY OR ACTS AS A PRINCIPAL ADVISOR TO ONE WITH SUCH AUTHORITY IN DRAFTING SPECIFICATIONS FOR, NEGOTIATING, OR EXECUTING CONTRACTS WHICH COMMIT THE STATE OR ANY EXECUTIVE AGENCY TO EXPEND IN EXCESS OF \$10,000 PER ANNUM.

[(aa)] (BB) Registrant. -- "Registrant" means any person required to register pursuant to § 5-103(a).

[(bb)] (CC) Respondent. -- "Respondent" means an official ~~OR~~, EMPLOYEE, OR PERSON SUBJECT TO TITLE 5 who is the subject of a complaint before the Commission.

[(cc)] (DD) State official. -- "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~~ AN EXECUTIVE AGENCY of the State government. 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.

Administration.

2-101. Ethics agencies to administer article.

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 Title 3 of this article to members of the General Assembly, within the limitations and procedures prescribed by this article.

(2) The Judicial Disabilities Commission or a body to be designated by the Court of Appeals, acting as an advisory body as to the application of the provisions of Titles 3 and 4 to State officials of the judicial branch, within the limitations and procedures prescribed by this article.

(3) The State Ethics Commission, established pursuant to Section 2-102 of this article, as to all other