in which I or any business entity in which I had an ownership interest in excess of 51 percent have:

- (1) Within the past 3 years been adjudged by a court of competent jurisdiction in Maryland to have failed to comply with any provision of the Custom Home Protection Act or the Consumer Protection Act as it applies to the construction of a new home.
- (2) Been adjudged liable for a currently unsatisfied final judgment in connection with a -{-custom-}- home contract.

- (c) (1) A -f-custom home-j- builder shall include in each -f-custom-j- home contract an escrow account requirement notice under paragraph (3) of this subsection.
- (2) The escrow account requirement notice under paragraph (3) of this subsection shall:
- (i) Be on a separate page of the -{-custom-}home contract; and
 - (ii) Be separately signed by the buyer.
- (3) The escrow account requirement notice required under paragraph (1) of this subsection shall state:

"ESCROW ACCOUNT REOUIREMENT

UNLESS YOUR CONTRACT IS FINANCED BY A MORTGAGE ISSUED BY A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR A FINANCIAL FEDERALLY CHARTERED FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OR A FINANCIAL INSTITUTION SUPERVISED UNDER THE FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND, OR UNLESS ALL DEPOSITS, ESCROW BINDER MONEY, OR ANY OTHER MONEY PAID IN ADVANCE, OR IS PAID TO THE LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER, TO BE HELD IN THE ESCROW ACOUNT OF THE BROKER, <u>IE BROKER,</u> Maryland law requires that all exceeding 5 percent of the total contract price consideration which is paid by a buyer to a -{-custom home-}- builder the completion of the labor, or the receipt of the materials for which the consideration is paid shall be deposited in an escrow account and paid out of that account only for certain purposes specified by law. To ensure this, the law requires that your builder may only accept such payment in the name of the escrow account. Thus, you should make out your check to "(name of builder), escrow account". Records of payments out of this account must be carefully maintained by your builder, and the builder must permit you reasonable access to escrow account records. Your builder, however, may choose to establish a