

(C) QUALIFICATIONS OF PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS.

EACH PROFESSIONAL MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE BEEN:

(1) A RESIDENT OF ANY OF THE COUNTIES IN THE AREA FROM WHICH THE MEMBER IS APPOINTED FOR AT LEAST 5 YEARS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE APPOINTMENT; AND

(2) A LICENSED REAL ESTATE BROKER, A LICENSED ASSOCIATE REAL ESTATE BROKER, OR A LICENSED REAL ESTATE SALESPERSON FOR AT LEAST 10 YEARS IMMEDIATELY BEFORE APPOINTMENT.

(D) QUALIFICATIONS OF CONSUMER MEMBERS.

(1) EACH CONSUMER MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION:

(I) SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC;

(II) MAY NOT BE A LICENSEE OR OTHERWISE BE SUBJECT TO THE REGULATION OF THE COMMISSION;

(III) MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION; AND

(IV) MAY NOT, WITHIN 1 YEAR BEFORE APPOINTMENT, HAVE HAD A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR HAVE RECEIVED COMPENSATION FROM A PERSON REGULATED BY THE COMMISSION.

(2) WHILE A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, A CONSUMER MEMBER MAY NOT:

(I) HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR RECEIVE COMPENSATION FROM A PERSON REGULATED BY THE COMMISSION; OR

(II) GRADE ANY EXAMINATION GIVEN BY THE COMMISSION.

(E) OATH.

BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, EACH APPOINTEE TO THE COMMISSION SHALL TAKE THE OATH REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

(F) TENURE; VACANCIES.

(1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 4 YEARS AND BEGINS ON JUNE 1.

(2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS PROVIDED FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 1, 1988.