corporation" seemed to suggest that a licensed master electrician could permit another "person, firm, or corporation", if licensed, to provide electrical services. However, this title only provides for the licensure of an individual, as opposed to licensing a business entity that provides electrical services. The assignment of the master electrician's license to a business does not confer licensing status on the business. No one, other than a master electrician, may be issued a license under this title.

Defined terms: "Local license" § 2-101 "Person" § 1-101 "State Board" § 2-101 "State license" § 2-101

## 2-317. HEARINGS.

## (A) RIGHT TO HEARING.

EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED IN TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 4 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, BEFORE THE STATE BOARD TAKES ANY FINAL ACTION UNDER § 2-316 OF THIS TITLE, IT SHALL GIVE THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED AN OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING BEFORE THE STATE BOARD.

## (B) APPLICATION OF CONTESTED CASE PROVISIONS.

THE STATE BOARD SHALL GIVE NOTICE AND HOLD THE HEARING IN ACCORDANCE WITH TITLE 10, SUBTITLE 2 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

## (C) FAILURE OR REFUSAL TO APPEAR.

IF, AFTER DUE NOTICE, THE INDIVIDUAL AGAINST WHOM THE ACTION IS CONTEMPLATED FAILS OR REFUSES TO APPEAR, NEVERTHELESS THE STATE BOARD MAY HEAR AND DETERMINE THE MATTER.

COMMITTEE COMMENT: Subsections (a) and (b) of this section are new language derived from the introductory language of former Art. 56, § 539(a), as it related to hearings.

Subsection (c) of this section is new language added to clarify that, after the accused individual has been given proper notice, the State Board may proceed with a hearing even if the individual fails to appear.

In subsection (a) of this section, the introductory exception is new language added to clarify that the State Board summarily may take action against an individual under certain circumstances. See SG § 10-405(b).