

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1986 Replacement Volume and 1987 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 41B - Department of Housing and Community Development

5-402.

(a) (1) The Commission shall consist of nine members appointed by the Governor, with the advice and consent of the Senate, a majority of whom shall be members of the native American Indian communities of this State, AND AT LEAST 3 OF WHOM SHALL BE APPOINTED FROM INDIAN COMMUNITIES THAT ARE INDIGENOUS TO MARYLAND. [The members] EACH MEMBER of the Commission shall have A DEMONSTRABLE knowledge of Indian culture and history, and be sensitive to the problems of the Indian communities. The term of a member is 3 years. At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies. A member who is appointed after a term has begun serves only for the rest of the term and until a successor is appointed and qualifies. A member may succeed himself, but may not serve more than 6 years consecutively.

(2) (I) EACH APPLICANT SHALL SUBMIT, UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION, A LIST OF THE APPLICANT'S QUALIFICATIONS, INCLUDING:

1. THE APPLICANT'S EDUCATIONAL HISTORY;

2. THE APPLICANT'S EMPLOYMENT BACKGROUND OR OTHER RELEVANT EXPERIENCE; AND

3. IN THE CASE OF AN INDIVIDUAL APPLYING FOR APPOINTMENT AS AN AMERICAN INDIAN MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, DOCUMENTATION OR PROOF OF INDIAN TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN MEMBERSHIP, UNDER THE SWORN AND NOTARIZED SIGNATURE OF THE AUTHORIZED CUSTODIAN OF THE RECORDS OF THE MEMBERSHIP ROLLS OF THE APPLICABLE INDIAN TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN.

(II) THE GOVERNOR MAY REQUIRE THE PRODUCTION OF ANY OTHER DOCUMENTS NECESSARY TO PROVE:

1. THE STANDING OR HISTORY OF THE INDIAN TRIBE, BAND, GROUP, OR CLAN OF WHICH AN APPLICANT CLAIMS MEMBERSHIP; OR

2. THE QUALIFICATIONS OF AN INDIVIDUAL APPLICANT.

(3) (I) ANY PERSON WHO, IN ANY MATTER WITHIN THE SCOPE OF THIS SECTION, KNOWINGLY AND WILLFULLY FALSIFIES OR