

Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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

~~Article — Business Occupations and Professions~~

14-404.

Article — Courts and Judicial Proceedings

5-399.8.

(A) (1) IN THIS SECTION THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "BUILDING INSPECTION OFFICIAL" MEANS ANY APPOINTED OR ELECTED FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH OVERALL EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO COORDINATE BUILDING INSPECTION IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH AN EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR CATASTROPHIC EVENT HAS OCCURRED.

(3) "FIRE OFFICIAL" MEANS ANY APPOINTED OR ELECTED LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH OVERALL EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO COORDINATE FIRE, RESCUE, OR EMERGENCY MEDICAL SERVICES IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH A FIRE, EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR CATASTROPHIC EVENT HAS OCCURRED.

(~~3~~) (4) "LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIAL" MEANS ANY APPOINTED OR ELECTED FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH OVERALL EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO COORDINATE LAW ENFORCEMENT IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH AN EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR CATASTROPHIC EVENT HAS OCCURRED.

(~~4~~) (5) "PUBLIC OFFICIAL" MEANS ANY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCALLY ELECTED OFFICIAL WITH OVERALL EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH AN EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR CATASTROPHIC EVENT HAS OCCURRED.

(~~5~~) (6) "PUBLIC SAFETY OFFICIAL" MEANS ANY APPOINTED OR ELECTED FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL OFFICIAL WITH OVERALL EXECUTIVE RESPONSIBILITY TO COORDINATE PUBLIC SAFETY IN THE JURISDICTION IN WHICH AN EMERGENCY, DISASTER, OR CATASTROPHIC EVENT HAS OCCURRED.

(B) A PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER IS NOT ~~LIABLE~~ PERSONALLY LIABLE IN DAMAGES BEYOND THE LIMITS OF ANY APPLICABLE INSURANCE OR SELF-INSURANCE FOR ANY PERSONAL INJURY, WRONGFUL DEATH, PROPERTY DAMAGE, OR OTHER LOSS CAUSED BY AN ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION OF THE PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER WHILE PRACTICING ENGINEERING WITH REGARD TO ANY STRUCTURE, BUILDING, PIPING, OR OTHER ENGINEERED SYSTEM, EITHER PUBLICLY OR PRIVATELY OWNED, IF:

(1) THE ACT, ERROR, OR OMISSION WAS NOT WANTON, WILLFUL, OR INTENTIONAL INTENTIONALLY TORTIOUS, OR GROSSLY NEGLIGENT; AND