

5. 1 shall be a resident of any county in the area that consists of Allegany, Frederick, Garrett, Montgomery, and Washington counties.]

[(4)] (3) The Governor shall:

(I) appoint the members with the advice of the Secretary and with the advice and consent of the Senate; AND

(II) CONSIDER DEMOGRAPHIC AND GEOGRAPHIC DIVERSITY WHEN MAKING APPOINTMENTS TO THE COMMISSION.

(b) Each member of the Commission shall be a citizen of the State.

[(c)] Each real estate appraiser member of the Commission:

(1) shall have been a resident of any of the counties in the area from which the member is appointed for at least 5 years immediately before appointment; or

(2) if an at large member, shall have been a resident of the State for at least 5 years immediately before appointment.]

[(d)] (C) (1) Each consumer member of the Commission:

(i) shall be a member of the general public;

(ii) may not be a licensee, holder of a certificate, or otherwise be subject to regulation by 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 or for the Commission.

[(e)] (D) Before taking office, each appointee to the Commission shall take the oath required by Article I, § 9 of the Maryland Constitution.

[(f)] (E) (1) The term of a member is 3 years.

(2) The terms of members are staggered as required by the terms provided for members of the Commission on January 1, 1991.

(3) At the end of a term, a member continues to serve until a successor is appointed and qualifies.