

In subsection (a) of this section, the former word "trial" is deleted in light of the word "hearing" and for accuracy. Although the Commission is a quasi-judicial body, its proceedings are referred to as "hearings" rather than "trials".

Also in subsection (a) of this section, the former word "inquiry" is deleted as unnecessary in light of the broad word "investigation".

The third clause of the second sentence of former Art. 101, § 2, which enabled the Commission to hear occupational disease claims as of June 1, 1983, is deleted as obsolete. Chapter 521, Acts of 1982, abolished the medical board and authorized the Commission to consider certain claims formerly considered by the board.

Defined term: "Commission" § 9-101

9-309. MISCELLANEOUS POWERS AND DUTIES.

(A) REGULATIONS.

THE COMMISSION MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS TO CARRY OUT THIS TITLE.

(B) OATHS; CERTIFICATION OF OFFICIAL ACTS.

TO CARRY OUT THIS TITLE, A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION, A SPECIAL EXAMINER, OR AN INSPECTOR MAY:

- (1) ADMINISTER AN OATH; OR
- (2) CERTIFY TO AN OFFICIAL ACT.

(C) DEPOSITIONS.

(1) TO CARRY OUT THIS TITLE, A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMISSION, A SPECIAL EXAMINER, OR ANY INSPECTOR MAY TAKE A DEPOSITION AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

(2) IN AN INVESTIGATION, THE COMMISSION MAY CAUSE THE DEPOSITION OF A WITNESS TO BE TAKEN AS PROVIDED BY LAW.

(D) SEAL.

(1) THE COMMISSION SHALL HAVE A SEAL INSCRIBED WITH THE WORDS "WORKERS' COMPENSATION COMMISSION, STATE OF MARYLAND — OFFICIAL SEAL".

(2) THE COMMISSION SHALL USE THE SEAL FOR THE AUTHENTICATION OF ITS AWARDS, ORDERS, AND PROCEEDINGS.

(E) APPROVAL OF INSURANCE POLICY.