

(C) QUALIFICATIONS OF CONSUMER MEMBERS.

EACH CONSUMER MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION:

- (1) SHALL BE A MEMBER OF THE GENERAL PUBLIC;
- (2) MAY NOT BE A LICENSEE OR OTHERWISE BE SUBJECT TO REGULATION BY THE COMMISSION;
- (3) MAY NOT BE REQUIRED TO MEET THE QUALIFICATIONS FOR THE PROFESSIONAL MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION; AND
- (4) MAY NOT, WITHIN 1 YEAR BEFORE APPOINTMENT, HAVE HAD A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR HAVE RECEIVED COMPENSATION FROM A PERSON REGULATED BY THE COMMISSION.

(D) RESTRICTIONS ON CONSUMER MEMBERS.

WHILE A MEMBER OF THE COMMISSION, A CONSUMER MEMBER MAY NOT:

- (1) HAVE A FINANCIAL INTEREST IN OR RECEIVE COMPENSATION FROM A PERSON REGULATED BY THE COMMISSION; OR
- (2) GRADE ANY EXAMINATION GIVEN BY OR FOR THE COMMISSION.

(E) OATH.

BEFORE TAKING OFFICE, EACH APPOINTEE TO THE COMMISSION SHALL TAKE THE OATH REQUIRED BY ARTICLE I, § 9 OF THE MARYLAND CONSTITUTION.

(F) TENURE; VACANCIES.

- (1) THE TERM OF A MEMBER IS 4 YEARS AND BEGINS ON JULY 1.
- (2) THE TERMS OF MEMBERS ARE STAGGERED AS REQUIRED BY THE TERMS IN EFFECT FOR MEMBERS OF THE COMMISSION ON OCTOBER 1, 1992.
- (3) AT THE END OF A TERM, A MEMBER CONTINUES TO SERVE UNTIL A SUCCESSOR IS APPOINTED AND QUALIFIES.
- (4) 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.

(G) REMOVAL.

THE GOVERNOR MAY REMOVE A MEMBER FOR INCOMPETENCE OR MISCONDUCT.