

(2) APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON BEHALF OF A PARTY TO A COMMISSION PROCEEDING; OR

(3) APPEAR BEFORE THE COMMISSION ON A MATTER WITHIN THE JURISDICTION OF THE COMMISSION.

**REVISOR'S NOTE:** This section is new language derived without substantive change from the second and third sentences of former Art. 78, § 16A(c).

In subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the references to "service" are substituted for the former references to "employment" for consistency within this section.

Also in subsections (a) and (b) of this section, the former references to representing a company "in any way" are deleted as surplusage.

Defined terms: "Commission" § 1-101

"Proceeding" § 1-101

"Public service company" § 1-101

2-307. ACCEPTING GIFTS.

(A) SCOPE.

THIS SECTION APPLIES TO EACH INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT TO § 2-302 OF THIS SUBTITLE AND TO:

(1) EACH SPOUSE, DEPENDENT CHILD, PARENT, BROTHER, OR SISTER OF EACH COMMISSIONER, THE PEOPLE'S COUNSEL, THE GENERAL COUNSEL, AND A HEARING EXAMINER; AND

(2) EACH SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD OF EACH OTHER OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE OF THE COMMISSION OR OFFICE OF PEOPLE'S COUNSEL.

(B) PROHIBITED ACTIVITY.

(1) AN INDIVIDUAL SUBJECT TO THIS SECTION MAY NOT ACCEPT FROM A PUBLIC SERVICE COMPANY OR ITS OFFICERS, AGENTS, OR EMPLOYEES, A GIFT, GRATUITY, OR SPECIAL CONSIDERATION.

(2) THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT PRECLUDE AN INDIVIDUAL FROM ACCEPTING A GIFT FROM A RELATIVE.

**REVISOR'S NOTE:** This section is new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 78, §§ 2(ff) and 16A(d) and (f).

In subsection (b)(1) of this section, the former reference to accepting a gift, gratuity, or special consideration "of kind whatsoever" is deleted as surplusage. Similarly, the former prohibition against accepting a "present" is deleted in light of the prohibitions against accepting a "gift, gratuity, or special consideration".