

The Board consists of seven members, appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for five-year terms. Five members must be Registered Professional Foresters and are appointed from a list of ten nominees recommended by the Maryland Chapter, Society of American Foresters. They must have engaged in the practice of forestry for at least ten years prior to their appointment.

The Board selects its own officers.

The Board was assigned to the Department of Licensing and Regulation by section 5, Chapter 4, Acts of the Special Session of 1973, effective January 1, 1974 (Code 1957, 1970 Repl. Vol., 1975 Supp., Art. 56, secs. 299-319).

Staff: None.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS FOR HEARING AID DEALERS

Chairman: Ben Ugoretz, 1979

Secretary: Lloyd S. Bowling, 1978

John J. Fennema, 1977; Alfred T. Lieberman, M.D., 1979; A. W. Hagedorn, 1981.

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The Board of Examiners for Hearing Aid Dealers, created by Chapter 634, Acts of 1969, consists of five members appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Senate for five-year terms. The Governor designates the Chairman. One member must be licensed to practice medicine in Maryland and hold a certificate of qualification from the American Board of Otolaryngology. One member must hold a certificate of competence in audiology from the American Speech and Hearing Association and have had at least four years of paid work experience in audiology prior to his appointment. The remaining three members must be persons experienced in the sale of hearing aids and be recommended by the Maryland members of the Hearing Aid Dealers Association of Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Delaware.

The Board registers and regulates persons furnishing hearing aids. It also tests audio-

metric testing equipment and inspects the facilities of persons who practice the fitting of hearing aids (Code 1957, 1971 Repl. Vol., 1975 Supp., Art. 43, secs. 725-742).

Staff: None.

MARYLAND HOME IMPROVEMENT COMMISSION

Chairman: Charles J. Harrison, 1978

H. Morton Rosen, 1977; J. Thomas Re-guard, 1978; John L. Knott, Sr., 1979; Louis P. Matthews, 1980.

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The Maryland Home Improvement Commission, established by Chapter 133, Acts of 1962, consists of five members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation for four-year terms. Two members must be from the construction industry, one from the field of finance and two from the general public. The Commission licenses and regulates contractors and salesmen in the home improvement industry, investigates complaints filed by homeowners against improvement companies and takes administrative actions where violations of the law are found (Code 1957, 1972 Repl. Vol., Art. 56, secs. 245-269).

Staff: 1975, 6; 1976, 8; 1977, 8.

BOARD OF INSPECTION OF HORSE RIDING STABLES

Chairman: Douglas T. Chilcoat, 1980

Virginia B. Thackery, 1980; Jacqueline Spell, 1980.

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The Board of Inspection of Horse Riding Stables was created by Chapter 474, Acts of 1968. The Board consists of three members appointed by the Governor with the advice of the Secretary of Licensing and Regulation for four-year terms. One member must be a duly qualified and licensed veterinarian and one member must be an officer of a County Humane Society. The