

designated by the Board.

17.

(a) The Board [shall have the power to] MAY reprimand, or suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew the certificate of registration of any registrant [who is found by] WHOM the Board [to] FINDS:

(1) [Have] HAS practiced any fraud, deceit, or misrepresentation in obtaining a certificate of registration; or

(2) [Have] HAS committed any gross negligence, incompetence, or misconduct in the practice of engineering, or land surveying, as a professional engineer, engineer-in-training, or professional land surveyor; or

(3) [Have] HAS been convicted of, OR ENTERED A PLEA OF NOLO CONTENDERE TO, a crime involving moral turpitude OR A VIOLATION OF THE STATE ELECTION LAWS by any court of competent jurisdiction; or

(4) HAS ADMITTED, IN WRITING OR UNDER OATH, ACTS OR OMISSIONS IN THE COURSE OF AN OFFICIAL INVESTIGATION BY AN AUTHORIZED PUBLIC OFFICIAL OR PUBLIC BODY WHICH WOULD CONSTITUTE A CRIME INVOLVING MORAL TURPITUDE OR A VIOLATION OF THE STATE ELECTION LAWS, WHETHER OR NOT THE PERSON IS SUBSEQUENTLY PROSECUTED; OR

[(4)] (5) [Have] HAS knowingly violated any provision of this article[.] OR THE CODE OF ETHICS PROMULGATED PURSUANT TO SECTION 8(A).

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 17A be and it is hereby added to Article 75-1/2 - Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1973 Supplement) to read as follows:

17A.

NO ENGINEER, DURING THE TIME THAT THE BOARD HAS SUSPENDED, REVOKED, OR REFUSED TO RENEW HIS CERTIFICATE OF REGISTRATION FOR CAUSE ON THE BASIS OF SUSTAINED CHARGES SHALL PRACTICE ENGINEERING IN THIS STATE IN ANY FORM AS PRINCIPAL OR AGENT, ASSOCIATE, EMPLOYEE, OR SUBORDINATE OF ANOTHER ENGINEER, FIRM OF ENGINEERS, OR CORPORATION ENGAGING IN THE PRACTICE OF ENGINEERING. NOTHING IN THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PREVENT OR AFFECT EMPLOYMENT IN ACTIVITIES SPECIFIED IN SUBSECTIONS (C), (D) AND (E) OF SECTION 19 OF THIS