

## WHY SERVE?

The office of citizen is the highest office in the land. One of the best ways to participate in our democracy is by serving on a state board, commission or committee. These groups oversee and advise Illinois' elected officials, state agencies and organizations on a wide range of issues that affect public policy and welfare.

These groups also play a vital role in promoting efficient, effective and honest government. For many, serving on a board or committee is one of the most rewarding experiences of their lives.



*Boards play a vital role in the administration of government operations.*



## ROLE OF BOARD & COMMITTEE MEMBERS

There currently are more than 50 boards and committees, which advise IDFPR about industries regulated by the Department.

Each group serves in an advisory role to the Department and assists in the administration and enforcement of the various Illinois laws governing licensed professionals and businesses.

Board and committee members provide expert knowledge, advice and recommendations concerning several areas: licensure standards; curricula of schools; education and experience qualifications of licensure applicants; standards for professional and industry practice, competence and conduct; vigorous enforcement of these standards; disciplinary hearing process for violation of professional licensing laws or rules by licensees; revisions to the rules and regulations necessary to carry out the provisions of the professional licensing act.

Although the majority of board members are licensed in the profession or industry represented by the board, nearly every board has one or more positions reserved for public members.

Public members serve a vital role as a representative of the public interest generally and as consumers.

Public members bring a unique background and perspective that is invaluable as the board conducts its wide range of duties.

Board members are appointed by either the Governor or the Secretary of the Department in accordance with statutory requirements.



*Medical professionals and barbers are among the licensed industries.*



Term length varies by board and in accordance with provisions in the professional licensing act.

Boards typically meet in the Department's Springfield or Chicago office.

Frequency of meetings varies by board (a few boards meet just once annually while our busiest board meets approximately 22 times per year). Board members are reimbursed for allowable travel expenses.

## GET INVOLVED

If you are interested in a board or committee appointment, review IDFPR's list of boards and committees on the backside of this brochure. Then, complete and return an application packet by contacting:

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The appointment process includes an internal review to determine eligibility based on statutory requirements of the professional licensing act. This would be followed by an interview with an IDFPR staff member and a limited background investigation by the Illinois State Police.

# BOARDS & COMMITTEES

## **Banking & Financial Boards**

*Board of Credit Union Advisors  
State Banking Board  
Board of Savings Institutions  
Residential Mortgage Board*

## **Professional Regulation Boards**

*Public Accountant Registration Committee  
Board of Acupuncture  
Architecture Licensing Board  
State of Illinois Athletic Board  
Board of Athletic Trainers  
Auction Advisory Board  
Barber, Cosmetology, Esthetics, Hair Braiding and Nail  
Technology Board  
Cemetery Oversight Board  
Collection Agency Licensing and Disciplinary Board  
Community Association Manager Licensing and Disciplinary Bd.  
Professional Counselor Licensing and Disciplinary Bd.  
Board of Dentistry  
Private Detective, Private Alarm, Private Security,  
Fingerprint Vendor, and Locksmith Board  
Dietitian Nutritionist Practice Board  
State Board of Professional Engineers  
Structural Engineering Board  
Board of Environmental Health Practitioners  
Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing and  
Disciplinary Board  
Board of Licensing for Professional Geologists  
Home Medical Equipment and Services Board  
Board of Registered Interior Design Professionals  
Land Surveyors Licensing Board  
Landscape Architect Registration Board  
Marriage and Family Therapy Licensing and Disciplinary Bd.  
Massage Licensing Board  
State Medical Disciplinary Board  
State Medical Licensing Board  
Naprathic Examining Committee  
Board of Nursing*

*Center for Nursing Advisory Board  
Nursing Home Administrators Licensing and Disciplinary Bd.  
Occupational Therapy Licensure Board  
Optometric Licensing and Disciplinary Board  
Board of Orthotics, Prosthetics, and Pedorthics  
Board of Licensing for Perfusionists  
State Board of Pharmacy  
Physical Therapy Licensing and Disciplinary Board  
Physician Assistant Advisory Committee  
Podiatric Medical Licensing Board  
Clinical Psychologists Licensing and Disciplinary Board  
Real Estate Administration and Disciplinary Board  
Real Estate Appraisal Administration and Disciplinary Board  
Real Estate Education Advisory Council  
Respiratory Care Board  
Roofing Advisory Board  
Certified Shorthand Reporters Board  
Social Work Examining and Disciplinary Board  
Board of Speech-Language Pathology and Audiology  
Veterinarian Licensing and Disciplinary Board*

## OUR MISSION

The Illinois Department of Financial & Professional Regulation's mission is to protect and promote the lives of Illinois consumers. This is done by overseeing more than 1 million professionals in nearly 100 industries. The Department licenses everything from barbers to banks, and also oversees most of the state's financial institutions, which have combined assets in excess of \$4 trillion.

For more information about the Department, please visit [www.idfpr.com](http://www.idfpr.com).

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ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT  
OF FINANCIAL &  
PROFESSIONAL  
REGULATION



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