

Citizen's Aide

Appointed to four year term by the Legislative Council.

THOMAS R. MAYER, Citizen's Aide.
 RUTH L. MOSHER, Deputy.
 RAYMOND A. CORNELL, Deputy for Corrections.
 FRANK THOMAS, Legal Analyst.
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The Citizens' Aide office was established Oct. 1, 1970 by Governor Robert D. Ray as a part of his office. In 1972, the Citizens' Aide Act, now Chapter 601G of the Iowa Code, was passed removing the Citizens' Aide from the Governor's office and placing it directly under the Legislative Council. The Citizens' Aide is appointed to a four year term by the Legislative Council subject to confirmation of a majority vote of both Houses of the General Assembly. The Citizens' Aide receives and investigates complaints from the public concerning the administrative actions of public officials of state and local government in Iowa. When a citizens complaint is deemed to be justified the Citizens' Aide recommends to the agency that it take corrective action. The Citizens' Aide may publish his recommendations and conclusions and is required by law to publish an annual report. Excluded from the Citizens' Aides jurisdiction are the Governor and his personal staff, the General Assembly and its staff and the courts and appurtenant judicial staff. The Citizens' Aide does not have the authority to investigate complaints of employees of agencies which relate to their employment. By implication the Citizens' Aide does not have the authority to investigate agencies of the federal government and non-governmental entities.

The Citizens' Aide Act was amended by Chapter 1257 of the Laws of the 65th General Assembly (1974) to create the position of Deputy for Corrections. The Deputy for Corrections specializes in the receipt and the investigation of complaints from or relating to inmates in correctional institutions.

In 1975 the Legislative Council also approved a Specialist for Indian Affairs who will specialize in the receipt and investigation of complaints from native Americans or American Indians residing in Iowa.

Civil Rights Commission

Sixth and Grand

Term Four Years.

Appointed by the Governor.

GEORGE GARCIA, Iowa city, Democrat; term expires June 30, 1977.
 CHARLES W. TONEY, Davenport, Democrat; term expires June 30, 1979.
 DR. GARY KOERSELMAN, Sioux City, Republican; term expires June 30, 1979.
 JAMES GILLMAN, Des Moines, Republican; term expires June 30, 1977.
 GRETCHEN M. WALSH, Dubuque, Republican; term expires June 30, 1977.
 GRETCHEN BATAILLE, Ames, Republican; term expires June 30, 1979.
 JOSEPH L. TATE, Des Moines, Executive Director.

Under the act of the Sixty-first General Assembly as amended, the Civil Rights Commission is charged with investigating, holding hearings, and rendering decisions on any complaints of unfair or discriminatory practices in public accommodations, employment, credit, housing, apprenticeship programs, on-the-job training programs, and vocational schools; on the basis of age, race, creed, color, sex, religion, national origin, or disability; and with planning and conducting programs designed to eliminate racial, religious, cultural, and intergroup tensions. The commission consists of seven members appointed by the governor to staggered terms of four years each, subject to the advice and consent of the senate. No more than four members of the commission shall belong to the same political party, and its membership shall represent as wide a geographical diversity as practical. Hearings are provided for in the event of failure of efforts toward conciliation, and orders resulting from such

hearings are subject to judicial review. Commission officers are elected by the members and serve for one year starting on July 1.

Commissioner of Insurance

Office located on the ground floor, Lucas State Office Building

Term four years. Appointed by the Governor.

Term expires June 30, 1979.

WILLIAM H. HUFF, III, Polk County, Insurance Commissioner.

HERBERT W. ANDERSON, Polk County, First Deputy Commissioner.

E. ARNOLD SMITH, Polk County, Second Deputy.

RICHARD S. BALDWIN, Polk County, Chief Examiner.

GLENN W. CLARK, Polk County, Superintendent of Securities.

DANIEL O. ANDERSEN, Polk County, Chief, Life and Accident & Health Division.

LAURA P. SULLIVAN, Polk County, Chief, Property & Casualty Division.

JAMES CORRIGAN, Polk County, Chief, Agents Examination & Licensing Division.

The office of commissioner of insurance, as the executive head of the Insurance Department of Iowa, was created by chapter 146, of the laws of the Thirty-fifth General Assembly (1913) and the first commissioner took office July 1, 1914. Previous to that time, the supervision of insurance had been under the direction of the auditor of state.

The commissioner of insurance has general control, supervision, and direction over all insurance business transacted in the state, and is charged with the responsibility of administering the laws of the state relating to insurance.

Under the law, all securities in which the reserves of Iowa life insurance companies are invested are required to be deposited with the commissioner and complete records are kept showing each item on deposit at all times.

The commissioner supervises all transactions relating to the organization, re-organization, liquidation and dissolution of domestic insurance corporations. He supervises the sale in the state of all stock or other evidences of interest either by domestic or foreign insurance companies. He is the statutory receiver in the event of liquidation of any Iowa insurance company.

All foreign companies, as well as all local companies, must, before engaging in the insurance business in this state, obtain a certificate of authority from the commissioner of insurance. These certificates expire annually on April 1, and action is taken on their renewals after analysis of complete financial statements filed covering the condition of the company as of the previous year end. All insurance agents must likewise obtain individual licenses to solicit business. In 1972 there were 1,141 insurance companies authorized to do business in the state, and approximately 120,000 individual agents licenses were issued.

A state statute requires casualty insurance companies to file rates with the insurance commissioner for approval, and a rating division has been set up with the insurance department to handle rate filings together with supporting statistical information. There are approximately 10,000 filings per year.

The commissioner conducts examinations of all domestic insurance organizations at least once every three years. He may also make an examination of any foreign insurance company authorized or seeking to be authorized to do business within the state. All policy forms used by an company within the state are required to be approved by the department.

Securities Department

The Iowa securities law is administered by the commissioner of insurance. Chapter 502 of the Code of Iowa empowers the commissioner to regulate the sale of securities within the state of Iowa and provides for the licensing of securities salesmen and dealers.

The commissioner also has jurisdiction over the sale of stock on the installment plan and sale of memberships or certificates of membership entitling the holder thereof to purchase merchandise, materials or services on a discount or cost-plus basis.