

The Architectural Registration Examination (ARE) is administered at least once a year. The board is a member of the National Council of Architectural Registration Boards and collaborates closely with the council.

Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board

DWAYNE C. GARBER, chair, Marshalltown; term expires 1998
 JOLEE L. BELZUNG, Ankeny; term expires 1997
 GWENDOLYN BOEKE, public member, Cresco; term expires 1996
 KENNETH BREWER, Ames; term expires 1996
 TERRY L. MARTIN, Des Moines; term expires 1997
 ANNE W. MCKEWN, public member, Council Bluffs; term expires 1998
 HAROLD DALE WIGHT, Denison; term expires 1996
 Patricia Peters, executive secretary

The Engineering and Land Surveying Examining Board was created by the 38th General Assembly in 1919. No person can practice professional engineering or land surveying without first being registered with this board. The board meets regularly and conducts examinations of applicants for registration twice each year.

The law provides that the membership of the commission shall consist of seven members who shall be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the Senate. Five of these members shall be professional engineers and two, representatives of the general public.

Landscape Architectural Examining Board

MONTY MITCHELL, chair, Davenport; term expires 1997
 DENNIS AUSENHUS, Ankeny; term expires 1996
 ALFRED C. BOHLING, JR., Columbus Junction; term expires 1998
 M. SUSAN ERICKSON, Ames; term expires 1997
 DIANA E. HOOGESTRAAT, Glenwood, term expires 1998
 GREG JONES, Des Moines; term expires 1996
 JOAN VITALE, Indianola; term expires 1996
 Glenda Loving, executive secretary

The Landscape Architectural Examining Board was first enacted in 1975. A person shall not use the title of landscape architect or any title or device indicating or representing in any manner that such person is a landscape architect or is practicing landscape architecture unless such person is a registered landscape architect. The commission shall conduct examinations of applicants for certificates of registration as landscape architects at least once each year and shall meet annually at the seat of government.

Real Estate Appraiser Examining Board

TERRENCE D. CULVER, Des Moines; term expires 1998
 L. CRAIG HARRIS, Shenandoah; term expires 1996
 DAVID R. HICKS, Ames; term expires 1998
 CATHY G. JONES, Ankeny; term expires 1998
 NANCY M. LARSON, Des Moines; term expires 1997
 LIL M. PERRY, Washington; term expires 1996
 William M. Schraeder, executive secretary

The Real Estate Appraiser Board was enacted in 1989 to establish standards for real estate appraisals and to establish procedures for the voluntary certification of real estate appraisers.

The board consists of seven members, two of whom shall be public members and five of whom shall be real estate appraisers. All board members are appointed by the governor and are subject to confirmation by the Senate. The members are appointed to three year terms.

The board shall examine candidates for certification, issue certificates, investigate violations and infractions of the law and revoke, suspend, or administer other disciplinary sanctions to persons found to be in violation of the law and/or administrative rules.

Real Estate Commission

THERESA A. LOFFREDO, chair, Des Moines; term expires 1996
 JACK KNAPP, Mason City; term expires 1996
 RUSSELL D. NADING, Fairfax; term expires 1997
 EVELYN M. RANK, Clarinda; term expires 1997
 TERRY ROGERS, Council Bluffs; term expires 1998
 Roger Hansen, executive secretary

The first real estate license law was enacted by the 43rd General Assembly and became effective on January 1, 1930.

The Real Estate Commission administers the Iowa Real Estate License Law, Chapter 543.B, and Sales of Subdivided Land Outside of Iowa, Chapter 543C. The commission also administers appropriate portions of the Continuing Education Program, Chapter 272C. The license law authorizes the commission to issue licenses and regulate the activities of real estate brokers and salespersons, and to carry out a program of real estate education. The subdivided land law authorizes the commission to register out-of-state subdividers who engage in business in Iowa, and to refer violations to the attorney general or to an appropriate court. Chapter 272C requires licensees to participate in continuing education, and authorized the commission to make rules. The Act also establishes procedures for review of the licenses and lists grounds for disciplinary sanctions.

Utilities Division

Allan T. Thoms, chair; Lucas State Office Building, Des Moines 50319; 515/281-5979

Iowa Utilities Board

ALLAN T. THOMS, chair, Polk County; term expires 2001

NANCY SHIMANEK BOYD, Polk County; term expires 1999

EMMIT J. GEORGE, Polk County; term expires 1997

Raymond K. Vawter, Jr., executive secretary

The Utilities Board is responsible for the regulation of the rates and services of most of the electric, gas, telephone, and water utilities operating in Iowa.

The three-member board is a quasi-judicial body which presides over contested cases and establishes and oversees long-term regulatory policy. The chair of the board is the chief executive of the Utilities Division and is responsible for the administration of divisional program. Four bureaus make up the Utilities Division organizational structure: Board Members's Staff; General Counsel; Public Information/Consumer Services; and Rate and Safety Evaluation.

Board Members' Staff

Raymond K. Vawter, Jr., executive secretary; 515/281-5256

This bureau assists the board in the preparation of material necessary for it to perform its duties. It assists in the preparation for decision meetings and coordinates scheduling and tracking of formal filings and cases before the board. It coordinates all personnel, purchasing and budget activities for the division and assists in the administration of the division. The bureau is responsible for receiving and processing all filings with the board. The bureau also is responsible for the review of cost of service, cost of capital, performs research and analyzes management performance, least cost alternatives and other utility matters. The executive secretary is appointed by the Utilities Board members.

General Counsel

Diane Munns, general counsel; 515/281-3448

The General Counsel's Office provides legal advice to Utilities Board and division staff. It defends boards actions which are appealed to the courts. This office also intervenes, on behalf of the board, in federal actions affecting Iowa utility ratepayers.

Public Information/Consumer Services

Twila Morris, bureau chief; 515/281-3839

This bureau maintains contact with media representatives and the Iowa legislature. It assists customers who have questions or disputes with their local utility company. The staff of this bureau also works closely with the staffs of other bureaus to assure accurate, timely, and fair dissemination of information. The bureau is also responsible for the operation of the Utilities Division's library, maintains electric and telephone service area maps, and tracks federal legislation. It also assists in tariff review and advises the board on customer relation issues.

Bureau of Rate and Safety Evaluation

William H. Smith Jr., bureau chief; 515/281-5469

This bureau is responsible for the processing and analysis of utility tariff filings. It is responsible for the review of fuel purchases, rate design and accounting interpretations and advises the board on these issues. The bureau also monitors the activities of the various federal utility regulatory agencies and prepares positions for the board to present to protect the interest of Iowa ratepayers. The bureau evaluates gas and electric utilities' safety programs of utilities and reviews petitions for construction of transmission lines and gas pipelines. This bureau is responsible for