

ABOUT YOUR PROFESSIONAL LICENSING BOARD

The Make-up of Your Licensing Board

Nearly every licensed profession in Minnesota has a Board established by the legislature to set education, certification, and practice standards designed to protect the public. These Boards are administrative agencies that are created by and governed by Minnesota state law. These Boards are granted a lot of power and seen as the experts about their respective professions. They act as the judge and jury in any matter regarding the safety or fitness of their licensees.

The Minnesota professional licensing boards consist of several same-licensed professionals, at various practice levels, and some community or public members who are not licensed professionals.

There are also paid Board staff members, who are not Board members, such as Practice Specialists or administrative support staff, who facilitate disciplinary and licensing proceedings. An Assistant Attorney General from the Minnesota Office of the Attorney General, always represents the Complaint Panels and each Board throughout any investigative or disciplinary proceeding.

The Mission of the Licensing Boards

The mission of the Minnesota Licensing Boards is to protect the public, not the licensee (you). It is important that you take any allegations against your license seriously. An experienced license defense attorney can guide you through this stressful and complicated process, prepare you for your hearing, and help you obtain the best possible outcome. An Assistant Attorney General always represents your licensing Board or the Complaint Panel throughout each proceeding. They have an attorney, and so should you.

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