

**278.060 Qualifications of commissioners -- Oath -- Restrictions on conduct.**

- (1) Each commissioner shall be a resident and qualified voter of this state, not less than twenty-five (25) years of age at the time of his or her appointment and qualification, and shall have resided in this state for at least three (3) years prior to his or her appointment and qualification. Each commissioner shall take and subscribe to the constitutional oath of office, which shall be recorded in the office of the Secretary of State.
- (2) No person shall be appointed to or hold the office of commissioner who holds, or whose immediate family member holds, any official relationship to any utility, or who owns any stocks or bonds thereof, or who has any pecuniary interest therein, except for a pension or retirement savings account if no contributions have been made to it for at least one (1) year prior to the appointment.
- (3) No commissioner shall receive any rebate, pass, percentage of contract or other thing of value from any utility.
- (4) In addition to the restrictions on members of the commission set forth in KRS 278.038, no commissioner shall engage in any occupation or business inconsistent with his or her duties as such commissioner.
- (5) If any commissioner becomes a member of any political party committee, his or her office as commissioner shall be thereby vacated.

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