

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §32A-2-11

§32A-2-11. Examination and fraudulently structured transactions.

(a) Each licensee is subject to a periodic examination of the licensee's business records by the commissioner at the expense of the licensee. For the purpose of carrying out this article, the commissioner may examine all books, records, papers, or other objects that the commissioner determines are necessary for conducting a complete examination and may also examine under oath any person associated with the license holder, including an officer, director, or employee of the licensee or authorized delegate. Unless it will interfere with the commissioner's duties under this article, reasonable notice shall be given to the licensee and any authorized delegate before any on-site examination visit. If a person required by the commissioner to submit to an examination refuses to permit the examination or to answer any question authorized by this article, the commissioner may suspend the person's license until the examination is completed.

(b) The licensee shall bear the reasonable and necessary per diem and travel expense cost of any on-site examination made pursuant to this section.

(c) A person, for the purpose of evading a reporting or record-keeping requirement of 31 U.S.C. §5313, or 31 C.F.R. Chapter X, or by this article, or a rule authorized under this article, may not with respect to a transaction with a licensee:

(1) Cause or attempt to cause the licensee to:

(A) Not maintain a record or file a report required by a law listed by this subsection; or

(B) Maintain a record or file a report required by a law listed by this subsection that contains a material omission or misstatement of fact; or

(2) Fraudulently structure the transaction.

(d) For the purposes of this article, a person fraudulently structures a transaction if the person conducts or attempts to conduct a transaction in any amount of currency with a licensee in a manner having the purpose of evading a recordkeeping or reporting requirement of this article, or of a law, or rule listed by subsection (c) of this section, including the division of a single amount of currency into smaller amounts or the conduct of a transaction or series of transactions in amounts equal to or less than the reporting or record-keeping threshold of a law, or rule listed by subsection (c) of this section.

(e) A transaction is not required to exceed a recordkeeping or reporting threshold of a single licensee on a single day to be a fraudulently structured transaction.

(f) The commissioner may conduct an examination in conjunction with an examination conducted by representatives of other state agencies or agencies of another state or of the

federal government and may accept the examination report of another state agency or an agency of another state or of the federal government.

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