

WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §44-3-6

§44-3-6. Fiduciary commissioner to inspect bonds of fiduciaries.

Each fiduciary commissioner shall, at least once each month, ascertain from the records of the county commission of his county what estates and fiduciary matters have been referred to him by the county commission, or the clerk thereof since the fiduciary commissioner's last inspection of the records. He shall examine, as to each fiduciary, in any such estate or matter, whether the fiduciary has given bond as the law requires, and, if it appears that he has given no bond, or that his bond is defective, or that the surety thereon has removed from the state, died, or become insolvent, or is bound already in too many other bonds, the fiduciary commissioner shall make report thereof to his county commission at its next term. He shall also have the fiduciary summoned to appear at that term to show cause why he should not give such bond as is required by law. At that term the fiduciary shall be required forthwith to give such bond as is required by law, or shall have his authority revoked. Until a fiduciary has fully administered the estate under his charge, and made his final account, the fiduciary commissioner shall annually make inspections of the bonds of that fiduciary, and make reports thereof. He shall issue a summons whenever the circumstances require, and the commission shall make an order as may be warranted by the facts then determined. An appeal from the order of the county commission shall lie to the circuit court of the county. An appeal may be taken on request of the fiduciary or of the fiduciary commissioner if applied for before the end of the term of the county commission at which the order was made. When an appeal is taken, the clerk of the county commission shall certify all papers in the matter, including a copy of the bond, to the clerk of the circuit court, where the same shall be docketed and proceeded with as other appeals from the county commission.