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Maryland State rehabilitation advisory council 2002-2005

Past member and vice president-Columbia Patuxent rotary

Board member-World floorcovering Assoc. 1997-2000

President-Maryland Floorcovering Assoc. 1992-1996

Maryland elevator safety review board-currently serving

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