

**[Ala. Code § 27-2-20.]**

§ 27-2-20. Examinations – Power generally: Department and Commissioner of Insurance

(a) If he has reason to believe that any such person has violated or is violating any provision of this title or upon complaint by any resident of this state indicating that any such violation may exist, the commissioner may examine the accounts, records, documents, and transactions pertaining to or affecting the insurance affairs of any:

(1) General agent, agent, broker, surplus line broker, solicitor, or adjuster;

(2) Person having a contract or power of attorney under which he enjoys in fact the exclusive or dominant right to manage or control an insurer; or

(3) Person engaged in or proposing to be engaged in or assisting in the promotion or formation of a domestic insurer, insurance holding corporation, or corporation to finance a domestic insurer or the production of its business.

(b) The commissioner may examine the insurance affairs and transactions of the attorney-in-fact of a reciprocal insurer in the same manner and on the same basis as examination of such an insurer.

(c) When he deems it necessary for determination of the value of such securities or compliance with any provision of this title, the commissioner may, in his discretion, examine the transactions and affairs of any corporation of which a domestic insurer owns shares of stock or other securities under which it has, or effectively participates in, the control of such corporation.