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ATTORNEYS AT LAW.

1. No attorney or other person shall practice the law in any of the courts of this State without being admitted thereto as herein directed.

2. All applications for admission as attorney to practice the law in this State shall be made to some one of the Circuit Courts for the counties, the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, or to the Court of Appeals, in open court.

3. Upon every such application for any white male citizen of Maryland, above the age of twenty-one years, and who shall have been a student of law in any part of the United States for at least two years previous to said application, or a graduate of the law de-

Art. II, § 1,  
 1715, c. 18; 1789,  
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 Who shall practice law.  
 21 Md. 556; 30  
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H. § 2,  
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 § 27.  
 1851, c. 268, § 1.  
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1876, c. 261.  
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partment of the University of Maryland, it shall be the duty of the court to which such application shall be made to appoint an examining board of not less than three members of the bar, who shall examine the applicant in the presence of the court touching his qualification for admission as an attorney; and the said court shall also require and receive evidence of his probity and general character, and if upon such actual examination, and being satisfied that he has been a student of law for at least two years, or a graduate of the law department of the University of Maryland, and having heard evidence of his probity and general character, the said court shall be of the opinion that said applicant is qualified to discharge the duties of an attorney and worthy to be admitted, the said court shall admit him, and the Circuit Courts for the counties and the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City are authorized to appoint a permanent examining board, but no member of said board shall be appointed for a longer period than one year.

Duty of court.

Graduate of law department of University of Maryland.

4. Upon the admission of any applicant to practice law in any of the courts of this State above mentioned, it shall be the duty of the court so admitting him to certify the same with their own proper signatures; which certificate shall be recorded, and a copy thereof, authenticated with the seal of the court, shall be available and sufficient to entitle the applicant so admitted to admission to practice in any of the courts of this State.

Art. 11, s. 4.  
1831, c. 268, s. 3.  
Certificate of admission to bar.

5. If, upon the application and examination of any citizen as aforesaid, the court shall be of opinion that he ought not to be admitted, the said applicant shall not again be entitled to a hearing for admission in any court of this State until the expiration of twelve months after the first application, and if upon a second application he shall be rejected, he shall not again be heard until the expiration of twelve months after such second application.

Id. s. 5.  
1831, c. 268, s. 4.  
Applicant refused admission.

When again heard.

6. Upon the application of any lawyer who may have practiced, or who may have been licensed to practice in any other State, District, or Territory of the United States, for admission to practice in the courts of this State, it shall be the duty of the court to whom he shall apply to admit him upon the same terms and under the same regulations that a citizen of Maryland would be admitted to the courts of the State, District, or Territory in which said applicant may have practiced, or may have been licensed to practice; provided, that in the said State, District, or Territory, the mode and terms of admission to the bar be regulated by law.

Id. s. 6.  
1831, c. 268, s. 5.  
Application of lawyer from another State.

Admission.

7. Upon the application of any citizen of any other State, District, or Territory, in which the mode and terms of admission to the bar are not regulated by law, to practice law in any of the courts of this State, the said courts shall admit him or not as in their discretion they may think fit.

Id. s. 7.  
1831, c. 268, s. 6.  
Discretion of court as to applicant from another State.

8. If, upon the rejection of any applicant for admission to practice law in any Circuit Court in this State, or in the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City such applicant shall deem himself aggrieved by

Id. s. 8.  
1831, c. 268, s. 7;  
1783, c. 17.  
Application to Court of Appeals.

in such county or city for any such omission or neglect as if he resided therein.

**14.** No sheriff or deputy sheriff, warden or keeper of a jail, or any of his deputies, no warden or keeper of the penitentiary, or deputy warden or keeper thereof, shall be admitted to practice as attorney in any of the courts of this State; and if any of said officers shall practice law in any court of this State, he shall forfeit fifty dollars for each offence.

Id. s. 15.  
1715, c. 41, s. 9  
Who not ad-  
mitted to prac-  
tice.

Penalty.

**15.** No register of wills or clerk of any court shall practice as attorney-at-law in any of the courts of this State whatsoever, nor shall any deputy register of wills, or any deputy clerk of any court, practice as attorney-at-law in any court of this State of which he is an officer, or to which he may be attached as a deputy or assistant officer.

1878, c. 401.  
Who not to  
practice.

**16.** No judge of any court in this State, including the judges of the Orphans' Courts, shall act as attorney or solicitor in any court of law or equity in this State during the time for which he shall act as such judge.

Art. 11, s. 17.  
1715, c. 41, s. 9;  
1791, c. 75, s. 3;  
1796, c. 43, s. 8.  
Who not to act  
as attorney or  
solicitor.

#### AUDITORS IN EQUITY.

**17.** Every judge of a court of equity may appoint, during his pleasure, a person of integrity, judgment, and skill in accounts, to be auditor for the court of which he is judge, who shall, before he enters upon the duties of his appointment, take an oath, to be administered by the judge making the appointment, well and faithfully to execute the duties of his office, without favor, affection, partiality, or prejudice, and all accounts to be stated, audited, or settled by such court, shall be referred for such purpose to the auditor, who shall have power to administer oaths to all witnesses and persons proper to be examined upon such accounts, and shall audit, state, and settle such accounts agreeably to the order of the court, and shall return the same to the court, to be done with as the court should think just, and in all cases where the regular auditor of any Circuit Court of this State, may be interested in any cause, or connected therewith as counsel, or in case of sickness, or absence of such auditor, or for other cause existing where it may not be proper for such auditor to act, it shall and may be lawful for the said court, or the judges or judge thereof holding the same, to appoint by order a special auditor, to whom reference shall be made instead of the regular auditor, and the powers, duties, and compensation of such special auditor shall be in all respects the same as those of the regular auditor of said court, and such special auditor shall in all cases, before acting as such, take the oath prescribed to be taken by the regular auditor.

1870, c. 74.  
Appointment,  
oath, and duties  
of auditor.  
18 Md. 75; 27  
Md. 83; 29 Md.  
12, 473; 30 Md.  
210, 263, 422.

When and how  
special auditor  
appointed.

**18.** The auditor shall be allowed four dollars and fifty cents per day for every day he shall be reasonably employed in stating, auditing, and settling any account, to be paid by the party desiring such

Art. 16, s. 19.  
1785, c. 72, s. 17;  
1849, c. 102, s. 7.  
1 Bl. 467; 2 Bl.  
166.