

LAWS OF MARYLAND.

nine years of continuous service in the Maryland National Guard may, upon the acceptance of his resignation, be placed upon the retired list by the Commander-in-Chief, with the rank of the grade held by him at the date of his resignation, and any officer of the Maryland National Guard, who shall have been found by a military board physically unfit to perform the duties of a soldier, may be placed upon the retired list by the Commander-in-Chief. Officers placed upon the retired list are authorized to wear their uniforms and equipments on occasions of ceremony. They will wear the insignia of this grade, but not the designation of the particular organization to which they belonged when in the Maryland National Guard. Retired officers shall be amenable to court-martial for military offenses to the same extent as officers of the Maryland National Guard.

Roster of
officers.

51. The Adjutant-General shall keep a complete roster of the names and addresses of all officers on the retired list.

Reward for
continuous
service.

52. To promote efficiency, and as a reward for continuous service, the Commander-in-Chief shall have power, under regulations to be prescribed by him, to issue service medals, of appropriate designs, to enlisted men of the Maryland National Guard, who shall complete three or more consecutive terms of enlistment therein, and to all officers who shall complete a continuous service therein for a like period or periods of time.

Unlawful to
dispose of, in
any way,
service medals

53. Whoever shall secrete, sell, dispose of, offer for sale, or in any manner pawn or pledge, or receive in pawn or pledge, or buy, any service medal, or imitate or cause to be imitated, or issue, or sell any fac-simile or imitation of the same, shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall, on conviction thereof in any Court having criminal jurisdiction in the State of Maryland, or before any justice of the peace of the State of Maryland in the county or city where the offense has been committed, be punished by imprisonment in the county or city jail for not less than six months nor more than one year, or by a fine of not less than fifty nor more than one hundred dollars, or by both fine and imprisonment.

Penalty.

SEC. 3. *And be it further enacted,* This this Act shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved April 10, 1900.