the matters therein contained, may be taken into consideration by this Honorable House of Delegates, and that it will declare and resolve that your petitioner has been legally elected Circuit Judge of the Twelfth Judicial Circuit of Maryland, and grant to him such other relief as to this Honorable Body may appear meet and proper.

THOMAS A. SPENCE,

Petitioner.

We, the undersigned, do make oath in due form of law, that we will, to the best of our skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of Officers of Registration for the Second Election District of Worcester County, according to the Constitution and Laws of this State, and that, since the fourth day of July, in the year eighteen and hundred and fifty-one, we have not in any manner violated the provisions of the present or of the late Constitution, in relation to the bribery of voters, or preventing legal votes, or procuring illegal votes

to be given.

We do further make oath in due form of law, that we will bear a true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and Laws thereof, and that we will bear true allegiance to the United States, and support, protect and defend the Constitution, Laws, and Government thereof, as the supreme law of the land, any law or ordinance of this or any State to the contrary notwithstanding, that we have never directly or indirectly by word, act or deed, given any aid, comfort or encouragement to those in rebellion against the United States, or the lawful authorities thereof, but that we have been truly and loyally on the side of the United States against those in armed rebellion against the United States; and we do further make oath in due form of law, that we will, to the best of our abilities, protect and defend the Union of the United States, and not allow the same to be broken up and dissolved, or the Government thereof to be destroyed, under any circumstances, if in our power to prevent it; and that we will, at all times, discountenance and oppose all political combinations, having for their object such dissolution or destruction.

> WILLIAM BRATTEN, PETER TRUITT, ISAAC B. CONNER.