

cute the said office for the residue of the said three years, the said person giving bond and security as aforesaid. The election shall be held in separate districts as appointed for the election of delegates; and all matters relating to the judges, place, time and manner, of holding the elections for sheriffs of the several counties, shall hereafter be regulated by law. Every free white male citizen of this state, above twenty-one years of age, and no other, having resided twelve months within this state, and six months in the county, or in the city of Annapolis or Baltimore, next preceding the election at which he offers to vote, shall have a right of suffrage, and shall vote, by ballot, in the election of such county or city, or either of them, for sheriffs. No person to be eligible to the office of sheriff for a county, but an inhabitant of the said county above the age of twenty-one years.

ART. 43. That every person who shall offer to vote for delegates, * * * * * or for the sheriff, shall, (if required by any three persons qualified to vote,) before he be admitted to poll, take such oath, or affirmation, of support and fidelity to this state, as this convention or the legislature shall direct.

Persons offering to vote shall if required take such oath as the legislature may direct.

ART. 44. That a justice of the peace may be eligible as a senator, delegate, * * * * * and may continue to act as a justice of the peace.

Justice of the peace may be eligible.

ART. 46. That all civil officers hereafter to be appointed for the several counties of this state, shall have been residents of the county respectively for which they shall be appointed six months next before their appointment, and shall continue residents of their county respectively during their continuance in office.

Residence requisite for civil officers

ART. 49. That all civil officers of the appointment of the governor * * * who do not hold commissions during good behaviour, shall be appointed annually in the third week* of * * * but if any of them shall be re-appointed they may continue to act without any new commission or qualification; and every officer, though not re-appointed, shall continue to act until the person who shall be appointed and commissioned in his stead shall be qualified.

Time of appointment for civil officers

ART. 51. That there be two registers of the land office, one upon the western, and one upon the eastern shore; that short extracts of the grants and certificates of the land on the western and eastern shores respectively, be made in separate books, at the public expense, and deposited in the offices of the said registers, in such manner as shall hereafter be provided by the general assembly.

Regulation of land office.

* Appointments to be made in third week of January. 1823, ch. 111, sec. 3.