

Official War Ballot executed in accordance with any Act of Congress providing for absentee voting, if signed by any Absentee Resident, shall be treated by the Secretary of State and the appropriate Board upon its receipt by them as an application for a State Absentee Ballot, which shall be forwarded as in this sub-title provided.

245. Form of Application for Ballot. (a) Provided. Upon the request of any relative or friend of an Absentee Resident, it shall be the duty of the several Boards to furnish said relative or friend an application to be forwarded to such Absentee Resident and on which such Absentee Resident may apply for a State Absentee Ballot, which said application shall be in the following form:

“.....  
(Date)

Secretary of State of Maryland.

I, ....., hereby apply for a Maryland  
(Print Name)  
Absentee Ballot for the Election to be held on.....  
(Date of Election)

My home address is....., in the city,  
(No. and Street or R.F.D.)  
town or village of.....in the County of  
....., Maryland, and my voting district  
(or ward) and precinct to the best of my knowledge is.....  
I will be 21 years old or older on.....  
(Date of Election)

My choice of a party primary ballot is.....  
(Fill in only in case of primary ballot)

I desire that the ballot be sent to me at the following address:  
.....  
.....  
(Sign Name)  
.....  
(Military Rank or other status)

Signature Certified by:  
(To be signed by any commissioned officer, non-commissioned officer, not below the rank of sergeant, or petty officer, other than applicant; if in Merchant Marine, certifying officer may be a Master, First Officer, Chief Engineer or Purser.)  
.....  
(Rank)”

(b) Printing. The foregoing shall be printed on one side of a card, and on the opposite side of the card shall be printed “Secretary of State of Maryland, Annapolis, Maryland.”

(c) Duty of Secretary of State. It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State to disseminate information regarding the securing and mailing of State Absentee Ballots as much as possible among the Absentee Residents of Maryland, and, to this end, he is authorized to seek the cooperation both of the publishers of newspapers and other publications, radio stations, and other agencies customarily