

of any candidate for public office. The term "treasurer" shall include all persons appointed by any political committee or candidate for nomination or election to any public office, to receive or disburse moneys to aid or promote the success or defeat of any such party, principle or candidate. The term "political agent" shall include all persons appointed by any candidate before any election, or primary election, to assist him in his candidacy. No person shall act as any such treasurer or political agent unless, after his appointment, and before the primary or election for which he is appointed, a writing, signed by the political committee or candidate appointing him and designating him as such treasurer or political agent, shall be filed with the secretary of state, except that in case the duties of such treasurer or political agent shall relate to any county, city, ward or district election exclusively, or to any primary election preliminary thereto, such writing shall be filed with the clerk of the circuit court of the county within which such treasurer or political agent resides, or with the clerk of the circuit court of Baltimore city, if such treasurer or political agent resides in Baltimore city, instead of with such secretary of state. Every such writing shall designate the particular period, election or primary election within which such treasurership or political agency shall continue. Nothing in this sub-title shall prevent the treasurer or political agent of any candidate from being the treasurer or political agent of any other candidate, and any candidate for public office may designate himself as his own political agent. No person shall be appointed or act as treasurer or political agent in any election or primary election who is not a citizen and resident of the State of Maryland.

1908, ch. 122.

165. Every political committee shall appoint and constantly maintain a treasurer to receive, keep and disburse all sums of money, or other valuable things, which may be collected, received or disbursed by such committee or by any of its members for any purposes mentioned in section 164 of this article, or for which such committee exists or acts, and unless such treasurer is first so appointed and maintained, it shall be unlawful and a violation of this article for a political committee, or any of its members, to collect or receive or disburse money, or other valuable things, for any such purposes. The treasurer appointed under this sub-title by the state central committee of any party, and the treasurer appointed in any county or in the city of Baltimore, by the members of the state central committee for such county or city of any party, and the treasurer appointed by the city committee of any party in the city of Baltimore, before proceeding to act shall give bond to the State of Maryland in such penalty as the committee by whom he shall be appointed shall prescribe conditioned for the faithful performance by him of the duties of his office, without loss or detriment to any person interested in the performance of such duties; upon which bond an action may be maintained in the name of the State of Maryland