

schools, colleges, and universities where military science is taught under the supervision of an officer of the Regular Army:

Provided, that officers of corps, departments and independent companies and the commanding officers of independent battalions and of regiments shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the Commander of the Brigade to which they are attached, and provided, that Brigadier-Generals shall be appointed upon the recommendation of the field officers of their respective brigades, and provided further that no person shall be commissioned unless he possesses the additional requirements herein prescribed for the particular office to which he is to be commissioned. A Brigadier-General and a Colonel of a Regiment at the time of his appointment must be an officer in the National Guard of this State, of the grade of field officer, or have been in active service in the Army or Marine Corps of the United States as a field officer. A Lieutenant-Colonel and Major of the line at the time of his appointment must be an officer in active service, and for two successive years immediately preceding his appointment must have been in active service in the National Guard of this State or in the Army or Marine Corps of the United States as a commissioned officer. The Captain of the Naval Brigade shall have been an officer in the Naval Brigade, or must have served as an officer in the United States Navy for at least three years.

1916, ch. 311, sec. 25.

**23.** Before receiving a commission or being commissioned to a higher grade as a result of promotion every officer below the grade of major must have passed a satisfactory examination before a board as to his fitness for service. All officers will be required to take a physical examination before receiving their commissions.

1916, ch. 311, sec. 26.

**24.** Boards of examination shall be appointed by the Governor as Commander-in-Chief, or caused to be appointed by the Commanding officer of the first brigade, and the commanding officer of the naval brigade, as the case may be, and the said boards shall consist of not less than three officers for officers of the line and for officers of the departments or corps the board shall consist of three officers at least one of whom shall be of the department or corps for which the candidate is to be examined. These boards shall inquire into the military, moral qualifications, the general capacity and efficiency of any officer holding a probationary, or permanent, commission, or who may have been elected, or appointed for commission in the Maryland National Guard; and said boards shall have power to take evidence, administer oaths and compel witnesses to attend and testify and produce books and papers, and punish those failing to do so, as is possessed by a general court-martial. The said boards shall convene at the headquarters of the first brigade, or naval brigade, as the case may be, at such times as