

approve such certificate of graduation, or the applicant shall pass such an examination, he shall then be entitled to registration as a law student.

*Nunc pro tunc* registration may be permitted if the candidate had the requisite education at the date as of which he desires to be registered and there has been no laches on his part, said matters to be determined by the State Board of Law Examiners.

A candidate removing from a jurisdiction having similar standards for registration may have the registration transferred. All applications for admission to the Bar shall be referred by the Court of Appeals to the State Board of Law Examiners, who shall examine the applicant touching his or her qualifications for admission to the Bar. No one shall be examined who shall not have studied law in a law school in some part of the United States, or in the office of a member of the Bar of this State for at least three years; no one shall be examined who shall not have been registered as aforesaid as a law student before beginning said period of study; but any candidate who shall have pursued the study of law in a school outside the State of Maryland for the requisite period may take the Bar examination without registration; provided he shall satisfy the said Board of Law Examiners that before beginning the study of law he had completed the course of a university, college, high school or other school approved by the Board of Law Examiners, or was admitted to a college or law school, the requirements for entrance to which shall be approved by the Board of Law Examiners.

The said Board shall report their proceedings in the examination of applicants to the Court of Appeals, with any recommendations said Board shall desire to make: If the Court of Appeals shall then find the applicant to be qualified to discharge the duties of an attorney, and to be of good moral character and worthy to be admitted, they shall pass an order admitting him to practice in all the Courts of the State.

The Court of Appeals shall prescribe rules for a uniform system of examinations in this State, both for registration as aforesaid and for admission to the Bar; and for the fees to be paid by the applicant upon taking the examinations aforesaid; and for the compensation of the members of the Board, who shall be paid out of said fees; and generally such other rules as may be necessary or convenient to carry out the provisions of this section.

The Board of Examiners shall render an annual account of their expenses to the Court of Appeals.

Any fraudulent act or representation by any applicant in connection with his application, registration or examination shall be sufficient cause for the revocation of the order admitting him to practice.

The provisions of this section as to registration and general preliminary education shall not apply to those students who shall have matriculated at the Law Department of the University of Maryland, or shall have begun the study of law in the office of a member of the Bar of this State before the first day of January, 1918; nor shall the provisions of this section relative to the three-year period of legal study affect any law student who shall have matriculated in any reputable law school before April 18, 1916.