

is absent in the military or naval service of the United States, or the State of Maryland, from the ward or election district in which he is entitled to vote, on the day such election is held, and whose absence is directly attributable to the state of war or other circumstances causing the issuance of the proclamation aforesaid, may vote as hereinafter provided.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 228. 1912, sec. 222. 1918, ch. 78, sec. 222.

307. At any time not more than 45 days before the holding of any election, any such person who expects to be absent on election day may make application in writing to the Board of Supervisors of Elections of the County, or Baltimore City, in which he resides, for a ballot. Such application must be received by the Supervisors of Elections not less than seven days before the holding of any election, and shall contain the full name and the place of residence, by street and number, if possible, from which the applicant is registered, and the address to which the ballot is to be mailed to him. The application shall also state the position or rank in the military or naval service which the applicant holds. Upon receipt of such application it shall be the duty of the respective Boards of Supervisors of Elections to enter the fact that such application has been made, together with any other proper information, in a book to be kept especially for that purpose. The Supervisors of Elections shall verify from the registration and other books and records in their custody, and from any other information obtainable, the statements contained in the applications and the applicants' qualifications to vote under this sub-title. The Supervisors shall mail ballots to those found so qualified to vote and shall enter that fact in the special book hereinbefore provided for.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 229. 1912, sec. 223. 1918, ch. 78, sec. 223.

308. The Supervisors of Elections of the counties and Baltimore City shall mail to each applicant found to be a duly qualified voter as aforesaid one ballot, two envelopes and a card of instructions. The applicant's name shall be written in ink by the Supervisors of Elections upon the coupon attached to the ballot, and in the case of primary elections the ballot sent shall be that of the political party with which such applicant is affiliated. The Supervisors of Elections shall have a sufficient number of ballots to be sent by mail printed for each county and the City of Baltimore. The words "Mail Ballot" shall be printed in large letters, in a clear space at the top of each of such ballots. The designation of the polling place shall be left blank on the back and outside of "Mail Ballots," and shall be filled in by the Supervisors of Elections before being sent to any voter. One envelope shall be known as the "Return Envelope" and shall be sufficiently larger than the "Ballot Envelope," hereinafter described, to conveniently enclose and contain the "Ballot Envelope." There shall be printed or written across the left-hand face of the "Return Envelope" the words, "Return Envelope for election of —," the blank space being filled in with the date of said election, after which shall be added the words "Supervisors of Elections of Baltimore City" or "Supervisors of Elections of — County" as the case may be.

The Supervisors of Elections shall also, before sending the "Return Envelope" to the voter, cause it to be addressed to the Secretary of State, Annapolis, Maryland.