

a course of study consisting of the element as provided for under the provisions of this sub-title, and requiring attendance and instruction in all the branches of study in which examination are required for licensure under the provisions of this sub-title. Provided, that nothing in this sub-title shall be construed to affect the right to practice osteopathy on the part of any person who was in the practice of osteopathy within this State on April 13, 1914. Such a person appearing before the Clerk of the County in which he or she is practicing, or clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, and making affidavit to that effect, and upon presenting to the Clerk a license issued by the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners and upon payment of a fee of One Dollar shall be registered. Provided further that any osteopathic physician or physicians, who may have registered previous to the enactment of this amendment without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners shall apply for and be granted a license within sixty days from the enactment of this amendment or be debarred from further practice, and be subject to the penalties as provided in Section 421 of this Article. Any citizen of Maryland, having information which causes him to believe that any person is wrongfully and improperly practicing as an osteopath without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners as provided for in this sub-title, may apply by petition to the Circuit Court of Baltimore City, or the Circuit Court of the County wherein said osteopathic physician is practicing without having obtained a license as required by this sub-title, which petition shall be under oath and shall state that the petitioner is informed and believes that the person named therein is improperly and wrongfully practicing as an osteopath without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners of Maryland, as required by this sub-title, and that said petitioner prays that the name of such person shall be stricken from the registry of Osteopathy as kept by the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Baltimore City or the Circuit Court of the County. Upon the filing of such petition the Court or one of the Judges thereof shall pass an order requiring the person therein alleged to be wrongfully or improperly engaged in the practice of osteopathy, without obtaining a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners, as provided by this sub-title, to answer the same under oath on or before a day to be named within thirty days from the date of such order and to show cause, if any there is, why the prayer of such petition should not be granted, which order shall be served upon the said last named person, and if said petition shall not be answered within the time named as aforesaid, or if the answer thereto shall be adjudged insufficient by the Court, then the Court shall pass an order directing that the name of such person alleged to be wrongfully or improperly practicing osteopathy shall be stricken from the registry of osteopathic physicians where the same shall have been registered, but if said petition shall be answered by the defendant as being the person against whom it is exhibited by an answer under oath fairly and fully denying the allegations of said petition the issues thus raised shall be heard and determined by the Court and either party may be entitled to a jury trial before a jury of the regular panel empanelled to try common law cases in said Court; and the defendant shall be competent and compellable to testify at such hearing and upon such hearing the Court shall render judgment with costs against the unsuccessful party. And if it shall determine that said defendant is practicing osteopathy in the State of Maryland without having obtained a license from the State Board of Osteopathic Examiners under the provisions and conditions of this sub-title, it shall pass