

by law to administer oaths, as the case may be, to wit:

I, _____ do swear (or solemnly, sincerely and truly declare and affirm) that as assessor for the assessment district composed of _____ I will to the best of my skill and judgment execute the duties of the said office, diligently and faithfully according to the directions of the act entitled, an act to provide for the general valuation and assessment of property in this state, without favor, affection or partiality, and that I will value all property which I may be appointed to value, according to the best of my judgment, at its full cash value, not looking to a forced sale; which said oath or affirmation, properly attested by the justice, or other person before whom the same shall have been taken, shall be filed by the assessor with the clerk of the county commissioners of the proper county, or in case the same shall be taken by an assessor appointed for the city of Baltimore, with the register of said city.

Where oath to be filed.

Ibid s 5,
In cases of
neglect to file
oath, how
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filled.

157. If any person so appointed assessor shall neglect to file the said oath or affirmation with the said clerk or register, within fifteen days from the notice of his appointment, it shall be considered that such person has declined to act, and the clerk of the county commissioners in the county where any such failure shall occur, or the register of the city of Baltimore, if the failure occur in said city, shall forthwith notify the fact to the said county commissioners or mayor of the city of Baltimore, as the case may be, and at the earliest practicable day, the said county commissioners or city council shall meet, and by a new appointment supply such vacancy, and upon a vacancy or vacancies occurring at any time thereafter, in any board of assessors, the same shall be supplied by appointment by the county commissioners of the county in which such vacancy or vacancies shall occur, or by the mayor of Baltimore as the case may be.