

may adopt; and the said board shall have power to administer oaths or affirmations in the premises to any person or persons appearing or called before them, and shall also have the power of administering oaths or affirmations, and summoning witnesses before them whenever it may be necessary for the more effectual discharge of their duties.

Board to enroll,
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810. The said board of police commissioners, are hereby authorized and required immediately on entering upon the duties of their office to appoint, enroll, and employ a permanent police force for the city of Baltimore, which they shall arm and equip as they may judge necessary under such rules and regulations as they may from time to time prescribe, and the said board shall have the power to remove any police officer, or officer of police, or any detective, for the violation of any rule or regulation, which they may make and promulgate to said police force, officers of police, and detectives, said force shall consist of one marshal and one deputy marshal of police for the city, and one captain, and two lieutenants, eight sergeants, and two turnkeys for each police district in said city, and five hundred men, which force may be increased at any time, if in the opinion of the board the public peace shall require to any number, and for such period of time, as they may think proper by the appointment of special policemen, who shall receive the sum of two dollars and fifty cents per day for their services, the periods of appointment in the regular force shall be four years, unless sooner removed for official misconduct, and the qualifications for the position of officer of police, policemen, or detective shall be good moral character, sobriety, citizenship of the United States, ability to read and write, and physical strength and courage, no person who has been convicted and sentenced to the penitentiary shall be eligible to the position of officer of police, policemen, detective, or special policeman; the pay of an ordinary policeman shall be eighteen dollars per week, payable semi-monthly, and in case

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