

1896, ch 202, sec. 10 1898, ch. 142. 1900, ch. 464.

11. After the judges and clerks are appointed, the board of supervisors shall immediately and before the first day of August in each year give notice of the names of all such judges and shall before the first day of October give notice of the names of all such clerks and in every case the residence and the precincts for which they are selected, by causing the same in the several counties to be published once a week for two successive weeks in two or more newspapers in each county, one of which papers, if possible, shall be of opposite political faith from that of a majority of such supervisors; and if no newspapers be published in such county, then by posting such notice in three of the most public places in such county, and in Baltimore city to be published on two successive days in all the daily newspapers in said city which shall be willing to publish the same at their current rates for advertising; said board in appointing judges and clerks and in the notice thereof shall designate the persons intended by them to represent the political parties respectively. It shall be the duty of the said board to examine promptly into any complaints which may be preferred to them in writing against the fitness or qualifications of any person so appointed judge or clerk and to remove any such judge or clerk, whom upon inquiring they shall find to be unfit or incapable. The board shall forthwith appoint persons in the manner hereinbefore prescribed to fill all vacancies in the office of judge or clerk and shall immediately make public the names of such persons so appointed by advertisement as nearly as may be, as hereinbefore provided for the original appointments. The record of appointments to fill vacancies shall be kept in the books hereinbefore prescribed in section 9, which books with the recommendation and protests made to them and all their other records and papers shall always be open to the inspection of the public. After notice as aforesaid of their appointments, the judges and clerks shall again be notified to appear at the office of said board and shall then and there, after taking the oath of office before one of said supervisors, receive their commissions. The oath of office shall be in writing and subscribed by each one in a book to be kept for the purpose by the supervisors and shall be in substance as follows: Residing at _____, in the city (or county) of _____, in the State of Maryland, do solemnly swear (or affirm) that I am a legal voter in the _____ precinct of the _____ ward of the city (or _____ district of _____ county) in the said State, that I will support the constitution