

The application shall be sworn to before a justice of the peace of this State. A fee of five dollars shall be paid by the applicant to the board of shell fish commissioners at the time of filing the application, which fee shall be returned to the applicant if his application shall be for any reason declined.

1906, ch. 711.

104. If such applicant be a resident of the State of Maryland, and if no objections to the issuing of the lease asked for in any such application be filed with the commissioners within the period of thirty days after such application is made, or as soon as any objections that may have been filed to the granting of such lease will have been finally overruled by said commissioners, the said commissioners, upon payment by the applicant of a further fee of two dollars and a-half, in addition to the fee of five dollars, which is to accompany his application, shall cause to be entered in a book or books to be known as "the register of titles to oyster lands," the name of the applicant, with a concise but clear description of the land applied for. A survey of such land at the expense of the applicant shall be made by the board before the entry, if, in its opinion, said survey is necessary to an accurate description thereof. The payment of the proper fees due for the application and record in the register required by this section to be kept shall constitute between the State and the applicant the relation of landlord and tenant for the term of twenty years, from the record of the lands so applied for as aforesaid, at the annual rentals provided in section 98.

Ibid.

105. The relation of the landlord and tenant, stated in section 104, shall have all the incidents attaching to that relation as the same exists under the laws of Maryland, excepting only the following particulars: First, the only remedy of the State for non-payment of the rent of oyster lands shall be the strict enforcement of the provisions set forth in section 98 of this sub-title. Upon the non-payment of any rent for the time therein mentioned, it shall be the duty of the board of shell fish commissioners, after a written notice of not less than ten days to the lessee, to declare the lease vacated by stamping the word "void" in distinct letters across the description in the