

terms of the Circuit Court for Somerset County during this year as the court may direct, this drawing or casting of lots shall be public and shall be entered among the minutes of the court of that term as part of its proceedings, inasmuch as two of the present board are from district No. 3, as created by this act the court shall first cause them to cast lots which of them shall serve only two years and then retire to make place for one commissioner from commissioner's district No. 1, that having been ascertained the lot shall then be cast between the other two as to which shall serve four and which six years; this being ascertained the persons so chosen shall serve for the terms they respectively draw and till their successors are elected and qualified and no longer, and in the event of a vacancy the person appointed shall only fill out the the unexpired term; thereafter an election by general vote in the county shall be had at each general election for a commissioner from the commissioner's district whose term expires at that election, and the compensation for the services of such commissioners shall be the same as is now allowed by law.

SEC. 42. The county commissioners shall appoint a clerk who also shall be treasurer, whose term of office shall be two years from the first Tuesday of April after his appointment, and such appointment may be made at any time after the first meeting of the board after any general election, but not later than the first Tuesday of April after such election; but the term of office shall not begin until the incumbent's term is out and such clerk shall be removable by the board for incompetency, willful neglect of duty, or misconduct in office. Before he shall enter upon the discharge of the duties of such office, he shall enter into bond to the State of Maryland in the penalty of twenty thousand dollars, with securities to be approved by the county commissioners for the faithful discharge of all the duties pertaining to his office, or shall furnish the board with a policy of insurance in the like sum issued by some good insurance or guarantee company guaranteeing his fidelity in the discharge of his duty, which policy shall be satisfactory and acceptable to the board of county commissioners; he shall also take the oath of office and sign the test-book before the clerk of the county as other officers of the county. When he shall have so bonded and qualified, he shall have custody of all the papers and books connected with the office; he shall keep a minute and record book of all the doings at the several meetings of the board and all their acts; he shall receive and keep safely for disbursement according to law all moneys coming to the county from the tax collectors or

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