

## CHAPTER 427.

AN ACT to regulate the sale of spirituous and fermented liquors in St Mary's County and to regulate the issuing of license therefor.

**Licenses.** SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That no person shall hereafter sell, offer for sale, or keep for sale in St. Mary's County any intoxicating liquors of any kind without having previously obtained a license therefor as hereinafter provided ; but this act shall not apply to sales made under a decree or provision of law, or the execution of a judgment of a court nor to sales in unbroken packages by the maker thereof of cider or native wines, and all licenses issued shall expire on the first day of May next succeeding their issue.

**Application for** SEC. 2. All persons desiring to obtain a license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors in St. Mary's County, shall file applications in writing, with the clerk of the Circuit Court of St. Mary's County, thirty days before the first day of May, or thirty days before any license shall be issued, with recommendation of ten respectable freeholders in the immediate vicinity or district of the location where such applicant proposes or desires to do business, stating that said applicant is a citizen of good reputation and a proper person to entrust with such licensed privileges. All such applicants shall file a statement with said clerk, stating their full names, the location and ownership of the place where they so desire to do business, that he or they, is or are citizens of the United States, and have been so for twelve months next preceding the filing of such application, and a *bona fide* resident of Maryland, and for three months next preceding such application, a *bona fide* resident of St. Mary's County, the kind of licensé desired ; that no person except the applicant or applicants is or are in any manner pecuniarily interested in the business petitioned to be licensed, and that no person shall be pecuniarily interested therein during the continuance of the license asked for ; that the applicant or applicants will not violate the laws of the State, by selling any liquors so licensed to be sold on Sundays, election days or other days on which the sale of liquor is prohibited by law, nor to minors except upon the written order of such minor's parent, guardian, or employer, on the prescription of a regular physician, and only once on any one prescription ; said application to be verified by the **Verified** affidavit of such applicant administered in due conformity to law.