character, a citizen of the United States of America, shall have had four years of High School education, or its equivalent, plus three years in an Architectural office working under a registered or qualified Architect. There shall be four classes of applicants for licensing or registration which are defined as follows:

(a) Class A applicants consisting of all persons applying for examination who have been engaged in the independent professional practice of architecture as a principal for less than ten years.

The Board shall have the power to grant an examination to the class known as Class A Applicants provided they meet the following qualifications:

Graduates of an approved High School, or the equivalent thereof, plus four years of technical school training, or the equivalent thereof, in the judgment of the Examining Board, plus three years of diversified practical experience in an office or offices of a registered or qualified Architect or Architects. Persons who have served in the armed forces of the United States shall be given credit for experience in said service in architectural work or related subjects. A "technical school" for the purpose of this Article is defined as an educational institution maintaining a course in Architecture approved by the National Architectural Accrediting Board.

The Board shall upon request, at the next succeeding examination, give examinations to applicants upon technical subjects when they have successfully completed their technical school training and shall give examinations on subjects which require experience and practice after they have had the required experience and practice.

(b) Class B applicants shall consist of all those persons applying for examination who have been engaged in the rightful, independent professional practice of architecture as a principal for at least ten years.

The Board shall hold examinations for Class B Applicants, to which shall be eligible any resident of the State who shall have had ten years or more of proved, independent, legal practice as a principal in the profession of architecture, and who shall desire to change his status from "registered by exemption" to "registered by examination".

After Class A Applicants and Class B Applicants have been registered, both shall be subject to all the provisions and conditions of this sub-title.

(c) Non-Resident Applicants. All persons applying for registration on the basis of examination credit secured