

rendered unfit for his performance of the duties of the position to which he seeks appointment or promotion; or who is addicted to the habitual use of intoxicating beverages to excess; or has been guilty of a crime or of infamous or notoriously disgraceful conduct, or has been dismissed from the public service for delinquency or misconduct, or who has intentionally made a false statement of any material fact, or practiced, or attempted to practice, any deception or fraud in his application, in his examination, or in securing his eligibility or appointment.

891. In the appointment, promotion, reduction in rank, transfer or removal of any police officer or officers of police, or any detective by the Police Commissioner for the City of Baltimore, and in his administration of the Police Department of Baltimore City, ecclesiastical and party ties shall not be regarded, so that the Police Department of said City may be entirely out of the field of political and religious differences, controversies and influences.

892. All police officers, officers of police, including inspectors and captains, and including also the secretary to the Police Commissioner, and all detectives, secretaries, clerks and employees, other than police surgeons, of the Police Department of Baltimore City shall be retained on the force during good behavior and efficiency by the said Police Commissioner of the City of Baltimore, and may be removed by the said Police Commissioner for official misconduct and inefficiency, and then only after written charges preferred, specifying the time, place and character of such misconduct and inefficiency, and trial had before the Police Commissioner, or before the members of the police force designated by the Police Commissioner to hear evidence in complaints against members of the department, as provided in Section 875 of this Article, after reasonable notice thereof.

893. The detectives provided for in Section 875 of this subdivision of this Article shall have the grades of detective lieutenants, detective sergeants and detective patrolmen as provided for in said Section 875, with the right of promotion as in this sub-title provided for. Detectives in the Police force shall not be allowed to follow any other business or profession but shall devote their entire time to the discharge of their duties as detectives. The Police Commissioner shall have the power in his discretion to transfer from the detective service and return to the grade in the uniform force from which he may have been selected, any member of the force so as aforesaid appointed a detective, who, in the judgment