

entitle him to be registered as a qualified voter in such precinct or election district, or that such person is disqualified under the provisions of the 2nd and 3rd Sections of the 1st Article of the Constitution; and if it shall appear that said registered person does not possess, or will not possess said qualifications, and that he is so disqualified, then said officer shall strike the name of such person from said list of qualified voters, and said books of registration; but if it shall appear otherwise, then such officer shall not strike the name of such person from said books of registration, and from said list of qualified voters; and before registering as a qualified voter any person who has applied to said Officers of Registration to be registered as a qualified voter, said officer shall diligently enquire and accurately ascertain that such person possesses or will possess before the election next ensuing, the requisite qualifications to entitle him to be registered as a qualified voter, and that he is not disqualified under the provisions of the 2nd and 3rd Sections of the 1st Article of the Constitution; and if it shall appear that said person so applying possesses, or will possess, before said day of election, said qualifications, and is not so disqualified, then said Officers of Registration shall register the name of such person as a qualified voter, but they shall not register the name of any person who does not, or will not, possess said qualifications or is so disqualified; and when any person applying as aforesaid for registration, shall have been previously registered within this State, the Officer of Registration to whom such application is made, before registering such person, shall demand and receive from him a certificate of his previous legal registration, and such certificate of previous registration shall be cancelled by the officer who shall register such person anew.

Section 6. And be it enacted, That if any person shall deem himself aggrieved by the refusal of any Officer of Registration to register his name as a qualified voter, or by the striking off his name from the list of qualified voters for any cause, he shall have the right to appeal by petition from such decision or action to the Judge or Judges of the Circuit Court of the county where he applied for registration, or to a Judge of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City, in case the person applied for registration in Baltimore City, and if said Judge or Judges shall determine that the party so appealing is entitled to be registered, or to be restored to the list as a qualified voter, he shall so certify to the Officer of Registration from whose decision the appeal was taken, and the said officer shall thereupon register the said person as a qualified voter, and in that case the cost of said appeal shall be paid by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore, or the County Commissioners of