

shall hold office for the term of four years from the date of their election and until their successors shall be elected and qualified and thereafter as their respective terms expire, the County Commissioners shall be elected for a term of four years. If of the five persons at any election for County Commissioners subsequent to the General Election of 1932 having the highest number of votes, two or more shall be residents of the same Commissioner District; the person in said District having the highest number of votes shall be declared elected, and the persons in the respective Commissioner Districts having the highest number of votes shall constitute the Board of County Commissioners.

197. Montgomery County is hereby divided into five districts to be known as "Commissioner Districts," said districts to be as follows: Commissioner District No. 1 shall be composed of Damascus Election District No. 12, Laytonsville District No. 1 and Olney District No. 8; Commissioner District No. 2 shall be composed of Barnesville Election District No. 11, Clarksburg District No. 2 and Gaithersburg District No. 9; Commissioner District No. 3 shall be composed of Poolesville Election District No. 3, Darnestown District No. 6 and Rockville District No. 4; Commissioner District No. 4 shall be composed of Potomac Election District No. 10 and Bethesda District No. 7; Commissioner District No. 5 shall be composed of Wheaton Election District No. 13 and Colesville District No. 5. Five persons who shall be residents voters and taxpayers of Montgomery County and five persons so elected shall compose and constitute the Board of County Commissioners for Montgomery County. In the event of a vacancy caused by death, resignation or otherwise, the person appointed to serve as successor shall be a registered voter, resident and taxpayer of Montgomery County. The Commissioners elected from the Fourth and Fifth Districts shall be Commissioners for the "Montgomery County Suburban District" as defined by Chapter 459 of the Acts of 1931 and the Commissioner for the Fourth District defined herein shall be the Commissioner for the Seventh District in said Act, and the Commissioner for the Fifth District as defined herein shall be the Commissioner for the Fifth District in said Act, and shall respectively perform all of the duties, have all of the authority and receive the compensation of the Commissioners from Commissioner Districts seven and five as they are set forth and provided for in said Chapter 459 of the Acts of 1931.