the applicant; that he believes the statement contained in the application to be true; that from his knowledge of the applicant or applicants, and his acquaintance with him or them, he believes the applicant or applicants is or are a proper person or persons to have the privilege of selling spirituous or fermented liquors, and he accordingly recommends the issuing of the license applied for.

- 224. The signature of any person who shall sign the certificate annexed to the application for any one who should apply for a license to sell spirituous or fermented liquors in said county, under the provisions of said chapter shall not be considered in making up the names of persons necessary to secure such a license, if such person shall sign such certificate for more than one application for such a license.
- 224A. The provisions of section 224 of this sub-title shall not apply to dealers who sell quantities of not less than a pint and not to be consumed on the premises.
- Upon the filing of such application and certificate the applicant shall pay to the clerk with whom the same are filed the sum of two dollars, to be applied to paying the expenses of advertising as hereinafter provided for, and thereupon such clerk shall, upon the first day of April, if such license is for twelve months; on the first day of July, if such license is for nine months; on the first day of October, if such license is for six months; or on the first day of January, if such license is for three months, publish a notice in some newspaper published in the said county for two successive weeks, giving notice that the applicant or applicants have filed such application, specifying the kind of license applied for and the place where the business is to be conducted, and stating that unless cause is shown in writing to the contrary on or before the fifteenth day of April, July, October or January next ensuing as the case may be, the license applied for will be issued; provided, the applicant complies with the requirements of this law requisite thereto as hereinafter provided.
- 226. If any person shall file in writing with such clerk any reason why the license applied for should not be granted, such clerk shall forthwith present the application and certificate and the objection to a Judge of Circuit Court of the said county, and such judge shall proceed to hear and determine the question as to whether the license applied for shall be issued or not, after giving such notice to the applicant and objector as such judge shall deem reasonable, and shall award the cost of such hearing as such judge shall deem equitable and just.