

applying for registration who are entitled to vote under the provisions of this section, in alphabetical order as in State registration books, and for the purpose of ascertaining the facts, the said officer of registration is hereby empowered to administer oaths to applicants and witnesses, touching the qualifications of applicants for City registration. Said officer of registration shall sit, with his official books, for registration of qualified applicants, from eight o'clock A. M., to five o'clock P. M., on the Wednesday and Thursday preceding every municipal election. And biennially after the year 1922, and on the Wednesday and Thursday preceding every municipal election, from eight o'clock A. M., to five o'clock P. M., said registration officer shall sit in the council chamber, or at some other public and convenient place, for the purpose of revising such registry by adding the names of new and qualified voters, and of striking off the said registry the names of voters known to him to be dead, or who have changed their place of residence by removal from the City, or who have otherwise become disqualified to be voters in said City. A right of challenge and of presentation of facts relating to qualifications, and a right of appeal from the decisions of the registration officer is hereby granted to any person or persons aggrieved by his decision, to the Mayor and Council, which shall sit between the hours of two o'clock P. M. and five o'clock P. M., on the Friday before the election to hear such appeals, if any, and the evidence relative thereto. Every applicant and challenger concerned in said appeal or appeals, shall be at the conclusion of the registration, duly notified by the registration officer of the time and place of said meeting of the Mayor and Council, and the decision of the Mayor and Council shall be final. The Mayor shall give at least five days notice of the time and place of the sittings of the officer of registration, by hand-bills posted in at least ten conspicuous places in said City, or by advertisement in one or more newspaper published in said City.

The said registration officer, as soon as his sittings are finished, shall forthwith return all books and other official papers and documents to the Clerk of the Mayor and Council.

Any person who shall wilfully swear falsely before such registration officer, in order to procure his name or that of any other person to be placed on or removed from the registration list, shall be guilty of the crime of perjury and shall be liable to presentment and indictment therefor, in the Circuit Court for Somerset County, and on conviction thereof shall be fined