

of Elections shall, with disregard as to political faith, select, submit and recommend to the Commissioners for appointment, the names of two persons for judges of election, and the names of two persons for clerks of election, and within the 20 days next preceding any primary election or any special election held under this Article, the Commissioners shall appoint two clerks and two judges of election in each ward in which such election is to be held, who shall serve as such at said primary election and at the general election to follow in the wards for which they are respectively appointed, one of said judges shall also be designated, at the time of appointment, as return judge. Provided in any ward having over seven hundred registered voters, the registration books may be divided and duplicate judges and clerks of election appointed, in the discretion of the Commissioners. At the time of the appointment of the judges and clerks of election, the Commissioners shall also name a polling place in each ward. The Supervisor of Elections shall publish in one or more newspapers published in Cambridge the names of the judges and clerks of election, the polling place in each ward and the date and object of the election; said notice shall be published at least twice before each election and the last publication shall not be more than ten nor less than five days before the day of said election or primary election. Before proceeding to act, each judge and clerk of election shall make oath that he will, well and faithfully, without fear or favor, partiality or prejudice, perform the duties of judge or clerk, as the case may be, and in the case of a judge that he will deposit all legal ballots in the ballot box, and no other ballot, and that he will make out and sign correct returns of the votes cast for each candidate and of the whole number of votes cast at said election. If any persons, who have been appointed judge or clerk of election or of primary election, shall fail, without good and sufficient reason to excuse him to attend and act, he shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and on conviction thereof before any trial magistrate or in the Circuit Court for Dorchester County, he shall be fined fifty dollars, and shall stand committed until both fine and costs are paid. If any vacancy occur in the office of judge or clerk of election it shall, if it occur before the day of election, or primary election, be filled by appointment by the Mayor alone. Each judge and each clerk of election who serves shall receive the sum of [five] *ten* dollars for his services at each primary election and [five] *ten* dollars for his services at each general or special election.