

statement contained in his application to the Clerk of the court, as required by this sub-title, or by presenting to said Clerk a false or untrue license, or one fraudulently obtained by false and fraudulent statements made to [one of said boards] *the Board of Medical Examiners*, he or she shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and shall be fined not less than [Fifty] *One Hundred* Dollars nor more than [Five Hundred] *One Thousand* Dollars, or be sentenced to confinement in the *House of Correction* for not less than one nor more than three years, or both, and shall forfeit all rights, privileges and immunities obtained or conferred upon him by virtue of such registration as physician or surgeon.

137. [Any] *The Attorney General, or the States' Attorney of any county, or the City of Baltimore, on his own initiative or on the complaint of any citizen of Maryland* having information which causes him to believe that any person has been [heretofore] wrongfully and improperly registered as physician or surgeon, or both, upon [his] application to the Clerk of any court may apply, by petition, to the Circuit Court of the county wherein such registration was made, or to the [city court of] *Baltimore City Court*, if such registration was in *Baltimore City* [, which] *for an order to strike the name of such person from the registry of physicians or surgeons. The petition shall be under oath, and shall state that the petitioner is informed and believes that the person named therein has been [heretofore] improperly and wrongfully registered as physician or surgeon, or both, [upon his own application and affidavit upon the register of physicians or book kept for such purposes in any court of this State, for the reason (as said petitioner is empowered)] that such person [was not lawfully practicing medicine] is wrongfully and improperly registered in the State of Maryland as a duly qualified practitioner of medicine [in said State entitled to be registered as a physician or surgeon upon his own application to the clerk of said court], stating in brief the reasons therefor; and that said petitioner prays that the name of such person shall be [struck] stricken from the registry of physicians aforesaid. Upon the filing of such petition the Court or one of the Judges thereof shall pass an order requiring the person therein alleged to be wrongfully or improperly registered to answer the same, under oath, on or before a date to be named within thirty days from the date of such order, and to show cause, if any there be, why the prayer of such petition should not be granted, which order shall be served upon said last named person [; and if], if within the State, or, if without the State, by publication as provided in Section 160 of Article 16 of this Code respecting equity causes. If said petition shall not be answered within the time named, as aforesaid, [or if the answer thereto shall be adjudged insufficient by the court,] then the Court shall proceed to hear said cause as on default and, if the facts alleged in said petition are proved, said Court shall pass an order directing that the name of such person alleged to be wrongfully or improperly registered [shall] be stricken from the registry of physicians or surgeons where the same shall have been registered; but if said petition shall be answered by the defendant, being the person against whom it is exhibited, by an answer under oath, fairly and fully denying the allegations of said petition, the issues thus raised shall be heard and determined by the Court, and either party may be entitled to a jury trial before a jury of the regular panel empanelled to try common law cases in said Court; and the defendant*