

NUMBERS OF PRIVATES AND PRIVATES FIRST CLASS as shall be recommended from time to time by the Chief of Police, subject, however, to the approval of the Board of Police Examiners and the Board of County Commissioners. Those members with the rank of corporal and below shall be known as "police patrolmen" and those with a rank above that of corporal shall be known as "police officers". The aggregate number of police officers shall not exceed at any time a number which is equal to $1/3$ of the aggregate number of police patrolmen.

(b) The Chief of Police shall be appointed by the Board of Police Examiners on the basis of training, physical and mental qualifications, and moral character. Prior to his appointment, he shall have had at least 7 years experience in a recognized form of police work.

(c) The compensation of the members of the Police Force shall be paid semi-monthly. It shall be determined by the Board of County Commissioners, as provided in Section 242A, Chapter 790 of the 1947 Laws of the General Assembly, except that the annual compensation of each of the following ranks shall always exceed the annual base pay of a police patrolman under the grade of private first class by not less than the respective figures here noted: Private First Class, \$120; Corporal, \$180; Sergeant, \$450; Lieutenant, \$700; and Captain, \$1,000, and provided that nothing in this Article shall be construed to prevent the paying of the sum of \$100 annually for a period of eight years as longevity pay, or such other sums for such pay as the County Commissioners shall determine.

(d) All appointments to the Anne Arundel County Police Force shall be made from the qualified voters of Anne Arundel County, and the Board of Police Examiners of Anne Arundel County shall provide printed application blanks, upon which each applicant shall set forth in his own handwriting, his full name, age, place of birth, his occupation for the five (5) years preceding his application, and such other information as the said board may require, touching the merits and fitness of the applicant; such application shall be signed by the applicant and shall contain the affidavit of the applicant, executed before a Notary Public of the State of Maryland, that the information set forth in said application is true and correct, such application shall further contain certificates executed by not less than four (4) reputable citizens who are owners of real estate in Anne Arundel County, that they have known the applicant for not less than three (3) years and that his character, reputation, and habits are such as recommend and qualify him for duty as a police officer, and that he is in all respects fit and qualified for such duty; provided, however, that no person shall be appointed on the Anne Arundel County Police Force who is less than twenty-one (21) or more than [forty (40)] thirty-five (35) years of age, nor until such applicant shall have filed with the Chief of Police of Anne Arundel County, a certificate from the Board of Police Examiners of Anne Arundel County, that they have examined the applicant and found that said applicant is physically and mentally qualified to perform and discharge the duties of a police officer. Provided, however, that the requirements of this subsection shall not apply to the appointment of a Chief of Police.

(e) It shall be the duty of the Board of Police Examiners to ascertain by appropriate EXAMINATION AND investigation the qualifications of all candidates for appointment to or in the Anne Arundel