accountant of good standing and reputation who shall:

- (1) Be designated as the [auditor] AUDITOR for Washington County; and
- (2) Hold office for 1 year from the date of appointment. (P.L.L., 1930, Art. 22, sec. 29; 1957 Code, sec. 23. 1906, ch. 745, sec. 1; 1920, ch. 136, sec. 1; 1970 ed. sec. 1–1; 1984, ch. 289)
- 2-202. Vacancies; how filled.

The County Commissioners shall fill any vacancies that occur in the office within 10 days after the vacancy is known to exist. (P.L.L., 1930, Art. 22, sec. 30; 1957 Code, sec. 24. 1906, ch. 745, sec. 2; 1920, ch. 136, sec. 2; 1970 ed. sec. 1–2; 1984, ch. 289)

2-203. Oath of office.

Before beginning to discharge [his] THE duties OF THE OFFICE, the [auditor] AUDITOR shall take before the Clerk of the Circuit Court of Washington County the oath prescribed by the Constitution of the State. (P.L.L., 1930, Art. 22, sec. 31; 1957 Code, sec. 25. 1906, ch. 745, sec. 3; 1920, ch. 136, sec. 3; 1970 ed. sec. 1–3; 1984, ch. 289) 2–204. Duties of Auditor; reports.

- (a) Auditor's duties. Before September 1 of each year, the [auditor] AUDITOR:
  - (1) Shall make a thorough, complete, and detailed examination:
- (i) Of all books, papers, accounts, and vouchers in the office of the County Commissioners and in the office of the Tax Collector; and
- (ii) Of all the papers and matters that pertain to or are in any way connected with the money and finances of the county and their collection, disbursement and expenditure; and
- (2) Shall make a full and complete audit and file the audit and accounts with a full report with the County Commissioners.
- (b) Open to inspection. The reports, audit, and accounts of the [auditor] AUDITOR shall be open to inspection and examination by any citizen of the county who desires to examine them. (P.L.L., 1930, Art. 22, sec. 32; 1957, sec. 26. 1906, ch. 745, sec. 4; 1920, ch. 136, sec. 4; 1970 ed. sec. 1-4; 1984, ch. 289)
- 2-205. Time for audit and report.

Before April 1 of each year, the [auditor] AUDITOR shall make an examination and report and file it with the County Commissioners for the 1 year period immediately following the period covered by the previous report. (P.L.L., 1930, Art. 22, sec. 33; 1957 Code, sec. 27. 1906, ch. 745, sec. 5; 1920, ch. 136, sec. 5; 1945, ch. 150, sec. 33; 1970 ed. sec. 1–5; 1984, ch. 289)

- 2-206. Auditor's powers during examinations; witnesses.
  - (a) Powers. The [auditor] AUDITOR may: