

Judges authorized to appoint stenographers as commissioners to administer oaths and take depositions.

President judge to swear in commissioners.

Requirement for appointment in Philadelphia.

Section 1. Be it enacted, &c., That the judges of the supreme court of Pennsylvania, *the superior court of Pennsylvania*, and the judges of the district [court court] *courts, courts of common pleas, orphans' [court] courts and register's [court] courts*, and the judges of the [court] *courts of oyer and terminer and quarter sessions of the peace*, [for the city and county of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania] *the municipal court of Philadelphia and the county court of Allegheny County*, be and the same are hereby authorized and empowered to appoint one or more stenographers, as commissioners to administer oaths and take depositions to be read in the trial of causes in the said courts, and upon motions, rules, petitions and other matters that may be brought before the said courts: Provided, That the said commissioner or commissioners so appointed as aforesaid, shall be duly sworn by the president judge of the respective courts, to make true and faithful reports of the testimony taken before them as such commissioners: And provided further, That the judges of *any of the said courts for the city and county of Philadelphia* shall not appoint any stenographer as a commissioner under this act, who shall not produce a certificate, signed by at least ten members of the Philadelphia bar, in good standing, that said applicant for appointment is duly qualified to perform the duties of said office.

APPROVED—The 21st day of October, A. D. 1959.

DAVID L. LAWRENCE

No. 460

A. N. ACT

Amending the act of May 27, 1949 (P. L. 1903), entitled "An act providing for powers, responsibilities, duties and limitations of the Governor, Adjutant General, Department of Military Affairs, Pennsylvania State Armory Board, Military Reservation Commission in connection with the armed Military and Naval forces and the internal security of the Commonwealth; for the definition, organization, powers and limitations of the unorganized militia, Pennsylvania National Guard, Pennsylvania Guard, Naval Militia, Pennsylvania Naval Militia and for coordination with the government of the United States in the organization and functioning of the Pennsylvania National Guard and the National Guard of the United States apportioned the Commonwealth," providing for promotions for certain retired persons.

The Military Code of 1949.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows:

Section 1. The act of May 27, 1949 (P. L. 1903), known as "The Military Code of 1949," is amended by adding, after section 827, a new section to read:

Act of May 27,
1949, P. L. 1903,
amended by
adding a new
section 827.1.

Section 827.1. Promotions of Officers, Warrant Officers and Enlisted Men.—Every retired officer, warrant officer and enlisted man of the Army or Air National Guard or Reserve, shall, upon application to the Adjutant General after his or her retirement, be promoted to the next higher grade in the Pennsylvania National Guard above that presently held in a grade or rank federally recognized: Provided, That the applicant meets the following requirements:

(1) The applicant has served ten years in the Pennsylvania National Guard with active Federal service counting as double time.

(2) The applicant has served a total of twenty-five years in any of the Reserve components of the armed forces of the United States, to include the Army National Guard, Air National Guard, Army Reserve, Navy Reserve, Air Force Reserve, Marine Corps Reserve and Coast Guard Reserve.

(3) Such twenty-five years' service as prescribed in clause (2) hereof shall be such as would be credited for retirement under Federal law covering retirement of National Guard and Reserve personnel.

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AN ACT

Authorizing the Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, to sell and convey that certain lot or tract of ground, known as the Superintendent's Residence, at the Eastern Psychiatric Institute, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania hereby enacts as follows: Real property.

Section 1. The Department of Property and Supplies, with the approval of the Governor, is hereby authorized on behalf of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania to sell at public sale to the highest bidder the following described tract of land with improvements thereon, known as the Superintendent's Residence, at the Eastern Psychiatric Institute, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, and lying on the southeast side of School House Lane and the northeast side of The Oak Road in the 38th

Department of
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approval of
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in Philadelphia.