

*Election Regulation Act.***Form.**

"I, A. B., do hereby most solemnly and sincerely declare that I am duly registered on the Register of Voters for the Electoral District of for this year, and that I have resided in this Colony for the space of Twelve Months, and that I am not, to the best of my belief, in any way disqualified for Election.

"Dated this day of 18 .

"A. B.

"Taken and acknowledged before me }
this day of 18 . }

"C. D., J. P.

"or Returning Officer."

False declaration a misdemeanor.

30. If any such person shall knowingly and wilfully make a false Declaration he shall be deemed to be guilty of a misdemeanor, and being thereof lawfully convicted, shall suffer the like pains and penalties as by Law are incurred by persons guilty of wilful and corrupt perjury, in the place in which such false Declaration shall have been made.

Declaration may be voluntarily made.

31. Any person may, with a view to his becoming a Candidate at any Election of a Member of the Legislature make at any time, after the date of the Writ of Election, voluntarily and without waiting to be required so to do, the Declaration lastly hereinbefore mentioned; and any such Declaration so made voluntarily as aforesaid, shall to all intents and purposes have the same force and effect as if it had been made after his being thereunto required according to Law.

In what cases only a Candidate may be called upon to make declaration.

32. No such Declaration, when any Candidate is required to make the same by any other Candidate, or by any Elector, or by the Returning Officer, in the manner hereinbefore provided, need be so made by such Candidate, unless the same has been personally required of him on or before the day of nomination of Candidates at such Election, and before a poll has been granted, and unless he has not already made the same voluntarily as hereinbefore provided, and not in any other case; and when any such Declaration has been so required according to Law, the Candidate called upon to make the same, may do so at any time during such Election; provided it be made before the Proclamation to be made by the Returning Officer at the close of the Election, of the person or persons Elected at such Election.

At what time it may be made, if required.

Before whom it may be made, and how attested.

33. When such Declaration is so made by any Candidate, whether voluntarily, or in consequence of his being thereunto so required as aforesaid, it shall be made either before the Returning Officer, or before some Justice of the Peace, and such Returning Officer or Justice of the Peace shall take the same, and shall attest it by writing at the foot thereof, the words "taken and acknowledged before me," or other words to the like effect, and by dating and signing such attestation.

Returning Officer to certify the delivery to him of the declaration under a penalty of \$200.

34. Any Candidate who delivers or causes to be delivered such Declaration so made and attested to the Returning Officer, at any time before the Proclamation made by him at the closing of the Election as hereinbefore mentioned, shall be deemed to have complied with the Law to all intents and purposes as regards such Declaration; and any Returning Officer thereunto so required, shall be bound under a penalty of Two hundred Dollars, in case of refusal to give forthwith after such Declaration is delivered to him, to the Candidate or other person who has delivered the same, an acknowledgment under his hand of the delivery of such Declaration; and every such Declaration shall, for all the purposes of such Election, be deemed to have been made on the day on which it has been so delivered to the Returning Officer, either by the Candidate, or by any person on his behalf, whatever be the date of its receipt or of its attestation; and the possession of such Declaration shall be *prima facie* evidence of the possessor having been authorized by the Candidate to deliver it to the Returning Officer.

What shall be deemed the date of any such declaration, and who may deliver it to the Returning Officer.

Day of opening the poll to be proclaimed from the hustings.

35. When at any Election for any Electoral District, a poll has been granted, the Returning Officer immediately after having granted such poll, and before adjourning his proceedings, shall publicly proclaim from the hustings the day previously stated in his first Proclamation, and the place or places at which the poll shall be so opened, in his District or in each Polling Division of his District (as the case may be) for the purpose of then and there taking and recording the Votes of the Electors according to Law.

Poll not to be held on certain days. To be same day for each division of a District.

36. The day to be proclaimed by the Returning Officer for opening the poll, shall not be a Sunday, Good Friday, or Christmas day. Such day shall be the same for each division of a District, and the poll shall be opened and held in all places in such District on that day only.

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