

CHAPTER 66.

REPRESENTATION OF THE PEOPLE.

REGULATIONS

Regs.
20 of 1953.
21 of 1953.

made by the Governor in Council under section 41 on the 8th April, 1953, and amended on the 20th April, 1953.

Short title.

1. These regulations may be cited as the Representation of the People Regulations.

Inter-
pretation.

2. In these Regulations—

“ the Ordinance ” means the Representation of the People Ordinance;

“ regulation ” means a regulation of these regulations;

“ schedule ” means a schedule to these regulations;

“ voter,” where the context so requires, includes a person voting as proxy for a voter.

Remuneration
of
election
officers.

3. The remuneration to be paid to election officers shall be the sums from time to time fixed by the Governor.

Conveniences
to be
supplied to
presiding
officer for
the taking
of the poll.

4. The returning officer shall supply every presiding officer—

(a) with such number of proper ballot boxes in respect of each candidate who has been duly nominated, as are equivalent to the number of voting compartments in the polling-place to which the presiding officer has been appointed to preside;

(b) with an instrument for stamping thereon the official mark;

(c) with a copy of the official list or such part thereof as contains the names of the voters entitled to vote at the polling-place at which he is appointed to preside, certified under the hand of the returning officer;

(d) with a sufficient number of ballot tickets and tendered ballot tickets;

(e) with such other conveniences for taking the poll as may be necessary.

Voting
compart-
ments at
polling-
places.

5. (1) Each polling-place shall be furnished with such number of compartments in which the voters can cast their votes as the returning officer thinks necessary.

(2) Each compartment shall be so screened that no person other than the person voting can see the ballot boxes.

(3) Several compartments may be constructed in the same room.

(4) The presiding officer may in his discretion at any time during polling day alter the position of any of the ballot boxes in any compartment.

6. (1) The returning officer shall take measures in advance to ensure that every polling-place is provided, before the commencement of the taking of the poll, with proper doors, barriers, tables, chairs and other conveniences, and that the same are properly arranged for carrying out the purposes of the Ordinance and of these regulations.

Preparation of polling-places and the taking of the poll.

(2) He shall, on or before the day fixed for the taking of the poll and before the commencement of the taking thereof, if convenient for him so to do visit every polling-place and see that every polling-place is provided with doors, barriers, tables, chairs and conveniences as aforesaid and that the same are properly arranged as aforesaid in every polling-place.

7. (1) An election agent may appoint one polling agent in each polling-place.

Appointment of polling agents. Form No. 2 schedule.

(2) Three clear days before the polling, the election agent shall declare in writing in Form No. 2 in the schedule, the name and address of every polling agent so appointed, to the returning officer who shall forthwith give public notice of the name and address of every polling agent so declared by causing placards to be affixed in a conspicuous position, on such polling-places, churches, chapels, court-houses, post offices and police stations in the electoral district as the returning officer may deem necessary.

8. (1) Every application for the appointment of a proxy shall reach the returning officer not later than the day before the last day for the delivery of nomination papers and if received after that day shall be disregarded.

Appointment of proxy.

(2) For the purpose of ascertaining in pursuance of sub-section (4) of section 29 of the Ordinance that a proxy is capable of being and willing to be appointed, the returning officer shall, unless he is satisfied that the person nominated in the application is not capable of being and willing to be appointed, notify him that a proxy paper will be issued to him

unless within five days from the date of such notice the returning officer receives notice from him that he is not capable of being and willing to be appointed.

(3) If for any reason the returning officer does not issue a proxy paper in pursuance of an application made to him, he shall notify the person making the application why he has not done so.

(4) As soon as may be after issue of the proxy paper the returning officer shall send a notice of the fact to the voter.

(5) Where the appointment of a proxy is cancelled by notice given to the returning officer, the returning officer shall forthwith remove his name from the record of proxies.

(6) A notice cancelling the appointment of a proxy shall be disregarded if it is received by the returning officer on or after the day before the last day for the delivery of nomination papers.

Directions
to voters.

9. For the guidance of voters printed notices in conspicuous characters (English, Urdu and Nagri) shall be placarded in various places outside and inside every polling-place in the following form:—

DIRECTIONS FOR VOTING.

(1) You can vote for one candidate at this election.

(2) When you are about to cast your vote, show an election officer the official mark on your ballot ticket and then put your ballot ticket into the ballot box bearing the name, photograph, symbol, and where allocated the colour, of the candidate for whom you desire to cast your vote and leave the polling-place.

Poll cards.

10. (1) Each voter at any polling-place shall state to the poll clerk at that polling-place appointed for that purpose his name, occupation, place of residence and postal address (as should appear on the official list or part thereof for the polling-place).

(2) Every person voting as proxy for a voter at any polling-place shall state to the poll clerk at that polling-place appointed for that purpose his name and address and the name, occupation, place of residence and postal address of the person on whose behalf he is appointed to vote as proxy (as should appear on the official list or part thereof for the polling-place).

(3) Any information given to a poll clerk in pursuance of subregulation (1) or subregulation (2) of this regulation together with such other information the poll clerk may deem necessary shall be entered by a poll clerk appointed for that purpose on a poll card which shall be in such form as the Registration Officer may direct and the poll card shall be given to the voter or proxy as the case may be.

11. Each person on coming to vote shall hand to the presiding officer or assistant presiding officer a poll card duly filled in by a poll clerk.

Duty of voter on coming to vote.

12. (1) The presiding officer or assistant presiding officer if he finds that the name of such person is in the official list may in his discretion, and if requested by a candidate or his agent shall, put to the voter the following questions, or any one or more of them, and no other—

Questions that may be put to a voter about to vote.

(a) in the case of a person applying as a voter—

(i) are you the person whose name and particulars are entered in the official list as follows (read the whole entry from the official list)?

(ii) have you already voted, here or elsewhere, at this general election otherwise than as proxy for some other person?

(b) in the case of a person applying as proxy—

(i) are you the person whose name appears as A.B. in the list of proxies for this election as entitled to vote as proxy on behalf of C.D.?

(ii) have you already voted here or elsewhere at this general election as proxy on behalf of C.D.?

(2) In the case of a person applying as proxy, the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer may, and if required as aforesaid shall, put the following additional question—

Are you the husband (wife), parent, grandparent, brother (sister), child or grandchild?

and if that question is not answered in the affirmative the following question—

Have you at this election already voted in this electoral district on behalf of two persons of whom you are not the husband (wife), parent, grandparent, brother (sister), child or grandchild?

(3) A ballot ticket shall not be delivered to any person required to answer the above questions or any of them unless he has answered the questions or question satisfactorily.

(4) Save as by this regulation authorised, no inquiry shall be permitted as to the right of any person to vote.

Poll at elections.

13. In case the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer shall see fit to dispense with the questions aforesaid or the same shall be answered satisfactorily the ballot of the voter shall be taken as provided by section 32 of the Ordinance.

Procedure on voting.

14. (1) The presiding officer, or the assistant presiding officer, after having delivered to the voter a ballot ticket, and while the voter is recording his vote, shall make a mark against the name of the voter on his copy of the official list to indicate that such voter has voted at the election, but not so as to show the particular ballot ticket given to such voter.

(2) The voter having voted shall forthwith show to the poll clerk to whom he has before voting shown the official mark on the ballot ticket that his hands are empty and shall forthwith leave the polling-place.

Instructions by presiding officers.

15. The returning officer, the presiding officer, the assistant presiding officer or the poll clerk appointed for duty in accordance with section 32 (5) of the Ordinance, shall on request give such instructions as may appear to be necessary to any voter as to the manner in which he should record his vote.

Who are to be admitted within the polling-place.

16. No person shall be admitted within any polling-place during the hours appointed for taking the poll except the returning officer, the presiding officer, the assistant presiding officer, the poll clerks, the candidates, one agent appointed for a candidate by the candidate in writing, and such number of voters at a time as the presiding officer may think fit, but such number shall not exceed three times the number of voting compartments (other than a voting compartment set apart for the casting of tendered ballot tickets) in the polling-place.

Candidates and agents how to be placed.

17. The candidates or their agents shall be posted in such a place that they can see each person who presents himself as a voter and interfere in the proceedings to the extent allowed by these regulations, but so that they cannot see how any voter votes or otherwise interfere.

Preservation of order.

18. (1) If any candidate or agent persists after being warned, in misconducting himself or in disobeying any lawful order of the presiding officer or otherwise in contravening any of the provisions of these regulations, the returning officer, the

presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer may have him removed out of the polling-place and the person so removed shall not without the permission of the presiding officer again enter the polling-place during polling day.

(2) Any person so removed may if charged with the commission in the polling-place of an offence be dealt with as a person taken into custody by a constable for an offence without a warrant.

(3) The powers conferred by this regulation shall not be exercised so as to prevent a voter who is otherwise entitled to vote at a polling-place from having an opportunity of voting at that polling-place.

(4) The returning officer, the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer may at any time summon within the polling-place for the purpose of preserving order, constables or other persons appointed by the Commissioner of Police for that purpose.

19. Every voter shall vote without undue delay, and shall quit the polling-place as soon as he has put his ballot ticket in a ballot box.

Voter to vote without undue delay, and to quit polling-place as soon as ballot ticket placed in ballot box.

20. If a person representing himself to be a particular voter named in the official list applies for a ballot ticket after another person has voted as such voter, the applicant shall on duly answering the questions set forth in regulation 12, be entitled to receive a ballot ticket; but the ballot ticket (hereinafter called a tendered ballot ticket) shall be of a colour differing from the other ballot tickets, and shall be put into a ballot box specially set aside for tendered ballot tickets and bearing the name, photograph, symbol and where allocated the colour of the candidate for whom the person desires to vote after being endorsed by the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer with the name of the voter and his number in the official list. The name of the voter and his number in the official list shall be entered on a list to be called the Tendered Votes List and against each such entry there shall be affixed the voter's signature or if he cannot write, his thumb impression.

As to a person claiming to vote as a voter after another person has voted as such voter.

21. (1) A voter who has inadvertently dealt with his ballot ticket in such a manner that it cannot be conveniently used as a ballot ticket may, on delivering to the returning officer, the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer the ballot

As to spoilt ballot tickets.

ticket so inadvertently dealt with, and on proving the fact of the inadvertence to the satisfaction of the returning officer, the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer, obtain another ballot ticket in the place of the ballot ticket so delivered up (hereinafter called a spoilt ballot ticket), and the spoilt ballot ticket shall be immediately cancelled by the returning officer, presiding officer or assistant presiding officer writing the word "cancelled" across the face of the same, and of the counterfoil thereof.

(2) All tickets cancelled by a presiding officer or by an assistant presiding officer shall be preserved by him and given in as hereinafter mentioned.

Ballot boxes
particulars
as to same.

22. (1) Every ballot box shall be of convenient size, and shall be so constructed that the ballot ticket can be introduced therein but cannot be withdrawn without the box being unlocked and in the case of a ballot box in which tendered ballot tickets are to be cast without the box being unsealed.

(2) Every ballot box shall be exhibited empty to such persons as may be in the polling-place immediately before the taking of the poll, and shall then be securely locked or sealed as the case may be, and not be again unlocked or unsealed as the case may be except at the close of the poll when it shall be dealt with in the manner mentioned in section 32 of the Ordinance.

Duty of
presiding
officer at
each
polling-place
on close of
the poll.

23. The presiding officer at each polling-place, as soon as practicable after the close of the poll, shall, in the presence of such candidates and agents as may be in attendance, make up into separate packets, sealed with his own seal and the seals of such candidates or their agents who desire to affix their seals—

(a) each group of ballot boxes in use at each voting compartment of his polling-place, each ballot box being unopened and so sealed so as to prevent the introduction of additional ballot tickets;

(b) the unused and the spoilt ballot tickets placed together;

(c) the counterfoils of all used and spoilt ballot tickets, and of tendered ballot tickets;

(d) the copies of the official lists of voters or parts thereof as marked by the presiding officer or the assistant presiding officer under regulation 14 (1);

(e) the Tendered Votes List; and

(f) the list of voters whose votes have been cast by the presiding officer under section 33 of the Ordinance; and shall, with all convenient speed, hasten to the head polling-place and deliver the packets to the returning officer.

24. The returning officer, as soon as practicable after the close of the poll, shall, in the presence of such candidates and agents as may be in attendance, proceed as follows—

Duty of
presiding
officer at
the close
of the poll.

(a) if he considers it necessary, he shall before opening any ballot box, compare the several marked copies of the official lists for the electoral district used at the polling-places, so as to ascertain whether a vote has been taken in the name of the same voter at more than one polling-place and if any vote has been so taken, shall record in writing the polling-places at which it has been taken and the number of the voter in the official lists;

(b) he shall examine the seals on each ballot box and note whether they show any signs of having been tampered with;

(c) he shall, without mixing the contents of any ballot box with those of any other, count the ballot tickets in each box and the unused and spoilt ballot tickets, so as to ascertain whether those tickets, together with those which from the Tendered Votes List appear to have been used for tendered votes, account for all the ballot tickets with which such polling-places were provided by him, and shall record in writing the result of such examination;

(d) if from the comparison mentioned in paragraph (c) of this regulation it appears that no vote has been taken at such polling-place in the name of a voter who has voted at some other polling-place or such vote at such other polling-place has not been counted, the returning officer shall count the votes contained in each ballot box, recording as he proceeds the number of votes given for each candidate at each voting compartment of each polling-place;

(e) if from such comparison it appears that any such vote has been taken at such polling-place, and a vote in the name of such voter at another polling-place has been counted, the returning officer shall open the sealed packet of counterfoils and refer to the number thereon and on the face of the ballot ticket so as to ascertain which ballot ticket is to be rejected, and having excluded such ticket shall proceed to count the votes as hereinbefore provided;

(f) the returning officer after counting the votes contained in each ballot box, recording as he proceeds the number of votes given for each candidate at each voting compartment at each polling-place shall—

(i) make up into separate packets the ballot tickets from each ballot box, affixing to each such packet a label bearing the name of the candidate and the number and other marks of identification of the voting compartment and polling-place from which the ballot box came;

(ii) make up the packets referred to in subparagraph (i) of this paragraph into separate larger packets relating to each voting compartment, writing on each such larger packet the number and other marks of identification of the voting compartment and polling-place from which the ballot boxes came; and

(iii) make up the packets referred to in sub-paragraph (ii) of this paragraph into one packet together with all other papers and documents from the same polling-place, and the record of the result of the examination mentioned in this regulation, and shall write on such packet the name of the polling-place from which such papers and documents came and shall seal up such packet so that the same cannot be opened without breaking the seals;

(g) the returning officer shall, so far as practicable, proceed continuously with counting the votes, allowing only time for refreshment, and excluding (except so far as he and the candidates or their agents otherwise agree) the hours between seven o'clock at night and nine o'clock on the succeeding morning. During the excluded time the returning officer shall place the ballot tickets and other documents relating to the election under his own seal and the seals of such of the agents of the candidates as desire to affix their seals, and shall otherwise take proper precautions for the security of such papers and documents;

(h) while counting the ballot tickets and in counting the votes the returning officer shall keep the ballot tickets with their faces downwards and take all proper precautions for preventing any person from seeing the numbers printed on the faces of such tickets;

(i) save as provided for in paragraph (e) of this regulation and so far as may be necessary to comply with that paragraph, the returning officer shall not open the sealed packet of counterfoils coming from any polling-place or refer to the numbers thereon or to the numbers on the faces of the ballot tickets;

(j) the returning officer shall not open the ballot boxes containing tendered ballot tickets coming from any polling-place except for the purpose of making up such ballot tickets into parcels and of writing on each parcel the name of the candidate for whom the tendered votes were cast and the number and other marks of identification of the polling-place at which the tendered votes were cast, all such parcels to be made up into one larger parcel which shall immediately thereafter be sealed by him.

25. (1) The returning officer shall endorse the word "rejected" on any ballot ticket which he may reject as invalid, and shall add to the endorsement the words "rejection objected to" if any objection be in fact made by a candidate or his agent to his decision.

Rejected
ballot tickets
and report
thereon.

(2) The returning officer shall report to the Governor the number of ballot tickets rejected and not counted by him under the several heads of—

(a) want of official mark;

(b) voting for more candidates than entitled to;

(c) voting at more polling-places than one;

and shall, at the request of any candidate or his agent, allow him to copy the report before it is sent to the Governor.

(3) The report shall be published in the Gazette.

26. When the ballot boxes and tickets aforesaid have been received from each polling-place and the ballot tickets have been counted, compared and recorded in manner aforesaid and the returning officer shall have counted the votes given to each candidate, and shall have thus ascertained the result of the poll, he shall forthwith, in pursuance of subsection (7) of section 32 of the Ordinance, declare which candidate is elected and communicate the result to the Registration Officer by the quickest means of communication available.

Declaration
of result of
poll.

27. Together with or as soon as may be after the return of the writ to the Governor as directed by section 36 of the Ordinance, the returning officer shall make a further return to the Governor, showing, in relation to each polling place—

Returns as
to voting at
each polling-
place to be
sent to the
Governor.

(a) the number of persons who appear to have voted;

(b) the number of spoilt ballot tickets delivered to the returning officer under regulation 23 (b);

(c) the number of persons to whom, from the counterfoils, ballot tickets appear to have been supplied; and

(d) the number of votes given to each candidate.

Papers to be sent to the Clerk of the House of Assembly.

28. (1) The returning officer shall, as soon as may be after the return mentioned in regulation 27, transmit to the Clerk of the House of Assembly, together with the statutory declarations which he is required to forward under subsection (3) of section 18 of the Ordinance, the declarations and notices of appointment of election agents, sub-agents and polling agents which have been delivered to him with reference to the election.

(2) Any person shall be entitled to obtain, from the officer mentioned in sub-regulation (1) of this regulation in whose custody the statutory declarations and the declarations and notices of appointment then are, copies of those documents, or any of them, duly certified by the said officer, on payment of a copying fee of twelve cents for every one hundred and twenty words or part thereof.

(3) The returning officer shall, as soon as may be after the return mentioned in regulation 27, make up into one parcel the different parcels of voting papers, counterfoils, marked copies of the official lists and other papers used at the election (but not including the documents specified in sub-regulation (1) of this regulation), and seal up the same, so that such parcel cannot be opened without breaking the seals, and shall deliver or send by registered post the said parcel to the Clerk of the House of Assembly.

(4) Except as is in this regulation otherwise provided, the Clerk of the House of Assembly shall keep the said parcel in safe custody and shall allow no person to have access to the same.

(5) After the expiration of one year from the date of an election, the Clerk of the House of Assembly may, without breaking the seal of the said parcel, burn the said parcel of papers used at the election.

(6) When an election petition is presented to the Supreme Court under section 80 of the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, a judge of the Supreme Court may make an order requiring the Clerk of the House of Assembly to deliver to such judge the sealed parcel containing the papers of the election to which the election petition relates, and the Clerk shall thereupon deliver to such judge the said sealed parcel which was sent to him under sub-regulation (3) of this regulation.

MISCELLANEOUS.

29. (1) The notice of appointment of an election agent referred to in subsection (1) of section 34 of the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, shall be in Form No. 1 in the schedule.

Miscellaneous Forms prescribed. Form No. 1 schedule. 13 of 1945.

(2) The declaration referred to in subsection (3) of section 35 of the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, shall be in Form No. 2 in the schedule.

Form No. 2 schedule.

(3) The election expenses returns, referred to in subsection (1) of section 53 of the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, shall be in Form No. 3 of the schedule.

Form No. 3 schedule.

(4) The election expenses declaration referred to in subsections (3), (4), (5) and (8) of section 53 of the Legislative Council (Elections) Ordinance, 1945, shall be in Form No. 4 of the schedule.

Form No. 4 schedule.

30. In reckoning time for the purposes of these regulations, public holidays shall be excluded, and where anything is required by these regulations to be done on any day which falls on a public holiday, such thing may be done on the next day not being itself a public holiday.

Reckoning of time.

SCHEDULE.

FORM NO. 1.

r. 29 (1).

NOTICE AND DECLARATION OF APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION AGENT.

I, A.B., a candidate at the present election of a Member of the House of Assembly for Electoral District (here describe the district by number and name) do hereby declare that I have appointed C.D., of (here state place of his residence) as my election agent, and that the address of his office or place to which all claims, notices, writs, summonses and documents addressed to the said C.D. as election agent may be sent, is (here state an address within the electoral district as aforesaid).

Dated this...s.....day of.....19.....

(Signed) A.B.

To the Returning Officer, Electoral District (here state number and name of district).....

rr. 7 (2) and
29 (2).

FORM No. 2.

DECLARATION OF APPOINTMENT OF POLLING AGENTS.

I, *C.D.*, of (here state address of election agent), the election agent of *A.B.*, a candidate at the present election of a Member of the House of Assembly for Electoral District (here describe the district by number and name), do hereby declare that I have appointed the persons whose names and addresses are hereunder written to be polling agents in the several polling-places respectively set opposite their names.

Name and address of polling agent.	Polling-place to which appointed.
<i>E.F.</i> , of.....	
<i>G.H.</i> , of.....	

Dated this day of 19....

(Signed) *C.D.*,
Election Agent for *A.B.*

To the Returning Officer, Electoral District (here state number and name of district).....

r 29. (3).

FORM No. 3.

ELECTION EXPENSES RETURN.

I, *A.B.*, being election agent to *C.D.*, candidate at the election for the electoral district of.....on the.....day of.....19...., make the following return in respect of the election expenses of the said candidate at the said election (or where the candidate has named himself as election agent--

" I, *C.D.*, candidate at the election for the district of.....on the.....day of.....19...., acting as my own election agent, make the following return in respect of my election expenses at the election ")

RECEIPTS.

Received of (the above-named candidate) (or where the candidate is his own election agent--

" Paid by me "	...	...	...	...	...	...	\$
Received of <i>J.K.</i>	...	...	...	...	...	...	\$

(Here set out the name and description of every person, club, society or association, whether the candidate or not, from whom any money, securities, or equivalent of money was received in respect of expenses incurred on account of or in connection with or incidental to the above election, and the amount received from each person, club, society, or association separately.)

EXPENDITURE.

Personal expenses of the said *C.D.*, paid by himself (or if the candidate is his own election agent,

“ paid by me as candidate ”) \$

Personal expenses paid by me (or if the candidate is his own election agent, add “ acting as election agent ”) \$

Received by me for my services as election agent at the said election (or if the candidate is his own election agent leave out this item) ... \$

Paid to.....as polling agent \$

Paid to.....as clerk for.....days' services \$

Paid to.....as messenger for.....days' services \$

(The names and descriptions of every sub-agent, polling agent, clerk and messenger and the sum paid to each, must be set out separately either in the account or in a separate list annexed to and referred to in the account, thus—

“ Paid to polling agent (or as the case may be) as per annexed list \$..... ”).

Paid to the following persons in respect of goods supplied or work and labour done—

To P.Q. (printing) \$

To M.N. (advertising)... .. \$

To R.S. (stationery) \$

(The name and description of each person, and the nature of the goods supplied, or the work and labour done by each, must be set out separately either in the account or in a separate list annexed to and referred to in the account).

Paid for postage \$

Paid for telegrams \$

Paid for the hire of rooms as follows—

For holding public meetings \$

For committee room \$

(A room hired for a public meeting or for a committee room must be named or described so as to identify it and the name and description of every person to whom any payment was made for each such room, together with the amount paid must be set out separately either in the account or in a separate list annexed to and referred to in the account.)

Paid for miscellaneous matters, namely— \$

(The name and description of each person to whom any sum is paid, and the reason for which it was paid to him, must be set out separately either in the account or in a separate list annexed to and referred to in the account.

In addition to the above, I am aware, as election agent for *C.D.* (or if the candidate is his own election agent, leave out as election agent for *C.D.*), of the following disputed and unpaid claims, namely—

By *T.U.*, for \$

(Here set out the name and description of each person whose claim is disputed, the amount of the claim, and the goods, work, or other matter on the ground of which the claim is based.)

Unpaid claims allowed by the Supreme Court to be paid after the proper time or in respect of which application has been or is about to be made to the Supreme Court.

By M.O., for \$

(Here state the name and description of each person to whom any such claim is due, and the amount of the claim, and the goods, work, and labour or other matter on account of which the claim is due.)

(Signed) A.B.

r. 29 (4).

FORM No. 4.

ELECTION EXPENSES DECLARATION.

A. BY CANDIDATE.

I,, having been a candidate at the..... election for the electoral district of..... on the..... day of..... 19....., do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that I have examined the return of election expenses (about to be) transmitted by my election agent (or if the candidate is his own election agent, " by me ") to the returning officer at the said election, a copy of which is now shown to me and marked, and to the best of my knowledge and belief that return is correct;

And I further solemnly and sincerely declare that, except as appears from that return, I have not, and to the best of my knowledge and belief no person, nor any club, society, or association, has, on my behalf; made any payment, or given, promised, or offered any reward, office, employment, or valuable consideration, or incurred any liability on account of or in respect of the conduct or management of the said election;

And I further solemnly and sincerely declare that I have paid to my election agent (if the candidate is also his own election agent, leave out " to my election agent ") the sum of.....dollars and no more for the purpose of the said election, and that, except as specified in the said return, no money, security, or equivalent for money has to my knowledge or belief been paid, advanced, given, or deposited by any one to or in the hands of my election agent (or if the candidate is his own election agent, " myself ") or any other person for the purpose of defraying any expenses incurred on my behalf on account of or in respect of the conduct or management of the said election;

And I further solemnly and sincerely declare that I will not, except so far as I may be permitted by law, at any future time make or be party to the making or giving of any payment, reward, office, employment, or valuable consideration for the purpose of defraying any such expenses as last mentioned, or provide or be party to the providing of any money, security, or equivalent for money for the purpose of defraying any such expenses.

Signature of declarant, C. D.

Signed and declared by the above-named declarant on the..... day of..... 19....., at.....

Before me,

(Signed) E.F.,
Justice of the Peace.

B.—BY ELECTION AGENT.

I,, being election agent to.....
....., candidate at the election for the electoral district of.....
..... on the.....day of.....
19....., do hereby solemnly and sincerely declare that I have examined the
return of election expenses about to be transmitted by me to the returning
officer at the said election, and now shown to me and marked.....
....., and to the best of my knowledge and belief that return is
correct;

And I hereby further solemnly and sincerely declare that except as
appears from that return, I have not and to the best of my knowledge and
belief no other person, nor any club, society or association has on behalf of
the said candidate made any payment, or given, promised, or offered any
reward, office, employment, or valuable consideration, or incurred any liability
on account of or in respect of the conduct or management of the said election;

And I further solemnly and sincerely declare that I have received from
the said candidate.....dollars and no more (or nothing) for
the purpose of the said election, and that, except as specified in the said
return sent by me, no money, security, or equivalent for money has been
paid, advanced, given, or deposited by any one to me or in my hands, or, to
the best of my knowledge and belief, to or in the hands of any other person
for the purpose of defraying any expenses incurred on behalf of the said
candidate on account of, or in respect of the conduct or management of the
said election.

Signature of declarant, A. B.

Signed and declared by the above-named declarant on the.....
day of.....19....., at.....

Before me,

(Signed) *E.F.*,
Justice of the Peace.