



Denial of Voter Registration

If you received notification from the General Registrar's office stating "that based on the submission of your Virginia Voter Registration application, you are ineligible to register to vote at this time; as your application has been denied," you have two options. First, you can submit a new application or you can appeal the denial to Circuit Court.

If your application is denied, the General Registrar's office will tell you the specific reason(s) your application was denied. They will also include a new Voter Registration application and a form to use if you choose to appeal the denial to the Circuit Court.

It is our experience that the most frequent reason for denial by the General Registrar is that the applicant did not answer every question on the application. Complete the new application, making sure that every question is answered. If something does not apply to you, state not applicable. Do not leave anything blank. Once the new application is fully completed, you should resubmit it to the General Registrar's Office.

OR

If you wish to challenge the denial of your Voter Registration, you may do so by filing an appeal with the Circuit Court. You should use the petition form provided to you by the General Registrar. Pursuant to Code of Virginia § 24.2-422, any appeal must be submitted to the Circuit Court within ten (10) days of being notified of the denial. The case will be submitted to the chief judge for scheduling of a hearing.

If you decide to file the petition for appeal you must submit the following:

- Petition form fully completely (Original plus 2 copies)
- Attach a copy of the registrar's denial letter (3 copies)
- Pay a filing fee of \$10.00 (Circuit Court does not accept personal checks)

Submit to:

Fairfax Circuit Court
Attention: Civil Intake
4110 Chain Bridge Road, 3rd floor
Fairfax, VA 22030

REFERENCE:

- Code of Virginia §24.2-422
- Fairfax County General Registrar's Office (703-222-0776)