## GENERAL QUALIFICATIONS FOR ELECTIVE OFFICE

The general qualification for persons permitted to hold public office are set out in the <u>Tennessee Code Annotated</u>, Section 8-18-101. This section provides that all persons of the age of eighteen (18) years who are citizens of the United States and of this state, and have been inhabitants of the state, county, district, or circuit for the period required by the constitution and laws of the state, are qualified to hold office under the authority of the state except:

- 1) Those who have been convicted of offering or giving a bribe, or of larceny, or any other offense declared infamous by law, unless restored to citizenship in the mode pointed out by law.
- 2) Those against whom there is a judgment unpaid for any moneys received by them, in an official capacity, due to the United States, to this State, or any county thereof;
- 3) Those who are defaulters to the treasury at the time of the election, and the election of any such person shall be void;
- 4) Soldiers, seaman, marines or airmen in the regular army or navy or air force of the United States; and
- 5) Members of congress, and persons holding any office of profit or trust under any foreign power, other state of the union, or under the United States.

## SPECIFIC QUALIFATIONS FOR THE OFFICE OF:

## Mitchellville Mayor

• No one shall be elected Mayor unless he is a bona fide citizen of the town, and unless he shall have been a bona fide resident thereof four years next preceding his election; and he shall be a freeholder of the value of three hundred dollars in said corporation.