

692. He may also appoint a judge advocate or recorder to such court, who shall have and exercise the powers and duties incident to such officer.

693. The president of any court martial, or other court instituted under the provisions of this law, which shall have the power of trying the major general, the brigadier generals and their respective staff officers, for any violation of this law, or remitting their fines, shall make return of the sentence of the court in the same manner, under the like penalty, and within the time herein specified for similar returns, except in the case of fines, where the return for the major general and his staff officers shall be made to the commanding officer of the third brigade; and the return for a brigadier general and his staff officers shall be made to the oldest colonel in rank of the brigade to which he belongs, who shall place the same in the hands of the collector of the division, and when received, said fines shall be paid over by said officer to the paymaster of the division.

694. The president of each court martial, or other court created under the provisions of this law, shall have power and authority to issue subpoenas to procure the attendance of witnesses to give testimony in any cause depending before said court, and said court shall have power and authority to issue attachment against any person who shall neglect or refuse to attend, and to enforce such attendance by such person as they may appoint therefor, and may also fine said witness any sum not exceeding twenty dollars, unless he can give a reasonable excuse for not attending, and if the person appointed to serve said process shall neglect or refuse to serve the same, he shall be subject to such fine as the court shall impose, not exceeding the sum of twenty dollars; and the return of said fines shall be made to the officer ordering said court, in the same manner, under the like penalty, and within the same time as the returns of other fines are herein directed.

695. The president of each court martial, or other court created under the provisions of this law, shall require witnesses produced on the trial of offenders to declare on oath that the evidence they shall give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth; and the members of all such courts shall take an oath which the president is required to administer to them, as follows: "You and each of you do swear that you will well and truly try and impartially determine all causes to be