

manders thereof, for the trial of all such military and naval offenses, which rules and regulations shall have the force of law.

1896, ch. 89.

22. The commander-in-chief is hereby authorized to make such rules and regulations from time to time as he may deem expedient for the government and instruction of the first naval battalion, but such regulations shall conform to this article, and as nearly as practicable to those governing the United States navy, and when promulgated, they shall have the same force and effect as the provisions of this article. The first naval battalion shall be subject to the articles and regulations for the government of the United States navy, to the same extent as, and under the same circumstances as, the land forces of the national guard are subject to the articles of war and regulations for the government of the United States army.

Ibid.

23. The commander-in chief may, from time to time, and at any time, appoint a military board of not less than three nor more than five officers whose duty it shall be to examine into the capacity, qualification, propriety of conduct and efficiency of any commissioned officer who may be reported to him as incompetent or unfit to discharge the duties of his office; and upon the report of such board, if adverse to such officer and approved by the commander-in-chief, the commission of such officer may be revoked; provided, always, that if practicable, two members at least of such board shall have military rank at least equal to that of the officer examined. The commander-in-chief may, also, when in his opinion it is necessary, call boards of officers for settling military and naval questions, and for other purposes of administration and discipline.

Ibid.

24. Every regiment and separate organization of the Maryland National Guard may, by a vote of a majority of its officers, adopt by-laws which, when approved by the commanding officer of such regiment or separate organization, by the brigade commander, or the commander of the first naval battalion, as the case may be, and by the adjutant general, shall be binding upon all