CHAPTER 114.

AN ACT to repeal the tenth section of Article eleven of the Code of Public General Laws relating to the oath of Attorneys, and other practitioners of law, and to enact a substitute therefor.

Passed March 20, 1865.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That the tenth section of Article eleven of the Code of Public General Laws relating to the oath of attorneys and other practitioners of law, be and the same is hereby repealed, and that the following be and the same hereby is enacted as a substitute therefor :

Repealed.

10. Every attorney or other practitioner of law shall in open Court, take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation: "I do solemnly swear (or affirm as the case may be) that I will at all times demean myself fairly and honorably as an attorney and practitioner of law, that I will bear true allegiance to the State of Maryland, and support the Constitution and Laws thereof, and that I will bear true allegiance to the United States and support, protect and defend the Constitution, Laws and Government thereof, as the supreme law of the land, any law or ordinance of this or any State to the contrary notwithstanding, and I do further swear (or affirm) that I will to the best of my abilities protect and defend the Union of the United States, and not allow the same to be broken up and dissolved, or the Government thereof to be destroyed under any circumstances if in my power to prevent it, and that I will at all times discountenance and oppose all political combinations having for their object such dissolution or destruction, and I make this oath or affirmation without any reservation or purpose of evasion, So help me God." No person shall be admitted to practice as an attorney or solicitor in any Court of this State, and no person, if heretofore admitted to practice as such attorney or solicitor in any of said Courts, shall be allowed to continue so to do until he shall have taken and subscribed said oath or affirmation in open Court; *provided, however,* that

Oath to be taken.

Proviso.