

any of the witnesses, or any question to the prisoner, the answer to which might tend to convict himself, or any other illegal proceedings calculated to impair his defence.

*Challenge.*

SECT. 131.—When a member of the court shall be challenged by a prisoner, he must state his cause of challenge in writing, of which the court shall, after due deliberation, determine the validity, and decide accordingly; and no challenge to more than one member at a time shall be received by the court.

*Oath.*

SECT. 132.—Before a court martial proceeds to the trial of any case, the judge advocate shall administer to the president and members, severally, the following oath or affirmation:

You, and each of you, do swear (or affirm) that you will well and truly try and determine, according to evidence, the matter now before you between the State of Maryland and the prisoner to be tried, and that you will not divulge the sentence of the court until it shall be published by the proper authority, and that you will not disclose the vote or opinion of a member, unless required to give evidence thereof, as a witness, in due course of law. So help you God.

*Oath to Judge Advocate.*

SECT. 133.—As soon as the said oath shall have been administered to the respective members, the president or other member of the court shall administer to the judge advocate, or person officiating as such, an oath (or affirmation) in the following words:

You A. B. do swear, (or affirm,) that you will faithfully and impartially discharge your duties as judge advocate, as well to the State of Maryland as to the accused, and that you will not disclose the vote or opinion of any member of this court martial, unless required to give evidence thereof, as a witness, in due course of law. So help you God.

*Oath to Witnesses.*

SECT. 134.—All persons who give evidence before a court martial, are to be examined on oath, or affirmation, in the following form:

You do swear (or affirm) that the evidence you shall give in the cause now in hearing, shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth. So help you God.

*Notice to Accused.*

SECT. 135.—The judge advocate shall notify the accused of