

## SCHEDULE 3

Article 30

### OATHS AND AFFIRMATIONS

#### PART I

##### MANNER OF ADMINISTERING OATHS AND AFFIRMATIONS

1. An oath may be administered by the person swearing the oath holding the New Testament, or if a Jew the Old Testament, in his uplifted hand and saying, or repeating after the person administering it, the oath provided in this Schedule for that category of person.

2. A Scottish oath may be administered by the person swearing the oath with uplifted hand and saying, or repeating after the person administering it, the Scottish oath provided in this Schedule for that category of person.

3. An oath may be administered in such manner as the person taking the oath declares to be binding on his conscience in accordance with his religious beliefs where the oath provided in this Schedule for that category of person is modified in accordance with those religious beliefs.

4. A witness under 17, or over 17 but where no accused is over 17, shall make a promise instead of taking an oath and shall say or repeat after the person administering the promise provided in this Schedule.

5. A person making a solemn affirmation instead of taking an oath shall say or repeat after the person administering the words provided in this Schedule for that category of person.

#### PART II

##### FORM OF OATH

##### FORM OF OATH ON APPOINTMENT

###### **Magistrate and member of the court**

6. I do swear that I will be faithful and bear true allegiance to Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Second, her heirs and successors, according to law; and that I will well and truly serve Her in the office of [magistrate/member] of the Standing Civilian Court and will do right to all manner of people after the laws and usages of her realm, without fear or favour, affection or ill-will.

###### **Assessor**

7. I do swear that, when called upon to do so, I will to the best of my ability carry out the duties of assessor in the Standing Civilian Court, in accordance with law and without fear or favour, affection or ill-will; and that I will not on any account, at any time, disclose the opinion on any matter expressed by any magistrate or assessor during any proceedings in such Court unless required to do so in due course of law.

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## FORM OF OATH IN COURT

### **Interpreter**

**8.** I swear by Almighty God that I will well and faithfully interpret and make true explanation of all such matters and things as shall be required of me according to the best of my skill and understanding.

### **Witness**

**9.** I swear by Almighty God that the evidence which I shall give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

## FORM OF PROMISE

**10.** I promise before Almighty God that the evidence which I shall give shall be the truth, the whole truth, and nothing but the truth.

## PART III

### FORM OF SCOTTISH OATHS

**11.** The form of Scottish oath shall in each case be the same as the form of oath set out above except that for the words “I swear by Almighty God” there shall be substituted the words “I swear by Almighty God and as I shall answer to God at the Great Day of Judgement”.

## PART IV

### FORM OF SOLEMN AFFIRMATIONS

**12.** The form of affirmation shall in each case be the same as the form of oath set out above except that for the words “swear” or “swear by Almighty God” there shall be substituted the words “solemnly, sincerely and truly declare and affirm”.