

GENERAL RULES.

Law.

AMENDMENT TO RULE II.

THE last clause of the second rule of this court is amended so as to read as follows :

They shall respectively take and subscribe the following oath or affirmation : “ I, — — —, do solemnly swear that I have never voluntarily borne arms against the United States since I have been a citizen thereof ; that I have voluntarily given no aid, countenance, counsel, or encouragement to persons engaged in armed hostility thereto ; that I have neither sought, nor accepted, nor attempted to exercise the functions of any office whatever under any authority or pretended authority in hostility to the United States ; that I have not yielded a voluntary support to any pretended government, authority, power, or constitution within the United States hostile or inimical thereto. And I do further swear (or affirm) that, to the best of my knowledge and ability, I will support and defend the Constitution of the United States against all enemies, foreign and domestic ; that I will bear true faith and allegiance to the same ; that I take this obligation freely, without any mental reservation or purpose of evasion.

“ And I do further solemnly swear (or affirm, as the case may be) that I will demean myself as an attorney and counsellor of this court uprightly and according to law. So HELP ME GOD.”

ORDER OF COURT.

Ordered, That all persons who have heretofore been admitted as attorneys and counsellors of the court may take and subscribe the oath or affirmation prescribed by second rule as amended, before the clerk of this court, or of any Circuit or District Court of the United States.

AMENDMENT TO RULE IX.

The third paragraph of the ninth rule of this court is amended so as to read as follows :

In all cases where the period of thirty days is mentioned in this rule, it shall be extended to sixty days in writs of error and appeals from California, Oregon, Nevada, Washington, New Mexico, and Utah.

AMENDMENT TO RULE XX.

The first paragraph of the twentieth rule of this court is amended so as to read as follows :

In all cases brought here on appeal, writ of error, or otherwise, the Court will receive printed arguments without regard to the number of the case on the docket, if the counsel on both sides shall choose so to submit the same within the first thirty days of the term ; but twenty copies of the arguments, signed by attorneys or counsellors of this court, must be first filed ; ten of these copies for the court, two for the reporter, three to be retained by the clerk, and the residue for counsel.

[These orders were promulgated March 10, 1865.]

AMENDMENT TO RULE XXI.

The sixth paragraph of the twenty-first rule of this court is amended so as to read as follows :

Twenty printed copies of the abstract points and authorities required by this rule shall be filed with the clerk by the plaintiff in error or appellant six days, and by the defendant in error or appellee three days before the case is called for argument.

[This order was promulgated February 9, 1865.]