

"I, —, do swear, (or affirm, as the case may be,) that I will, to the best of my skill and judgment, diligently and faithfully, without partiality or prejudice, execute the office of — according to the constitution and laws of this State; and that since the fourth day of July, in the year of 1851, I have not, in any manner, violated the provisions of the present or late constitution in relation the bribery of voters; or preventing legal votes, or procuring illegal votes to be given; (and if a Governor, Senator, member of the House of Delegates or Judge,) that I will not, directly or indirectly, receive the profits or any part of the profits of any other office during the time of my acting as —. I do further swear (or affirm) 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."

AMENDMENTS PROPOSED.

Amend section 4th, article first, by inserting after the words "or destruction," the following: "And I do further swear (or affirm,) that I have not at any time been in armed hostility to the United States or the lawful authorities thereof, and that I have not been in any manner in the service of the so-called Confederate States of America, and that I have not voluntarily left this State, and gone within the military lines of the so-called Confederate States or armies with the purpose of adhering to said States or armies."

Amend by inserting at the end of the section the following: "And no person who has at any time been in armed hostility to the United States or the lawful authorities thereof, or who has been in any manner in the service of the so-called Confederate States of America, and no person who has voluntarily left this State and gone within the military lines of the so-called Confederate States or armies with the purpose of adhering to said States or armies, shall be entitled to vote at any election to be held in this State, or to hold any office of honor, profit or trust under the laws of this State."

Amend section 7th, article first by adding to the end of the section the following: "And I do further swear (or affirm,)"