
STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS

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The Courts-Martial (Royal Air Force) Rules 1997

PART III

GENERAL MATTERS

Ineligibility for membership of courts-martial

17. An officer shall not be eligible to be a member of a court-martial for the trial of an accused if—

- (a) he serves under the command of—
 - (i) the higher authority who referred the case against the accused to the prosecuting authority;
 - (ii) the prosecuting authority; or
 - (iii) the court administration officer;
- (b) he—
 - (i) has a general qualification within the meaning of section 71 of the Courts and Legal Services Act 1990;
 - (ii) is an advocate or a solicitor in Scotland;
 - (iii) is a member of the Bar of Northern Ireland or a solicitor of the Supreme Court of Northern Ireland;
 - (iv) has in any Commonwealth country rights and duties similar to those of a barrister or solicitor in England and Wales, and is subject to punishment or disability for breach of professional rules.