

As it is not a trial but an inquest which you will hold on each accusation submitted to you, the witnesses for the prosecution alone will be brought before you, and the evidence on behalf of the accused will only be adduced when he is placed on his trial. The witnesses will be marshalled before you by the crown prosecutors or by the clerk of the crown or his deputies, and will be sworn by your foreman or by whoever may temporarily act in his place, and as they are sworn your foreman or his substitute will write his initials against their names on the back of the bill under consideration. If it should be desirable to examine as a witness any person whose name is not on the back of a bill, it will be necessary to obtain the written order of the presiding judge to that effect.

The witnesses may be examined by the crown prosecutors or by the clerk of the crown or his deputies, but you may put any questions you like to them or you may yourselves conduct their examination.

As soon as you may be satisfied that a sufficient case has been made out to send an accused to his trial, you need not hear any further evidence, but, on the other hand, you must not declare that a case has not been established until you have heard all the witnesses whose names are on the bill or whom the crown prosecutors may obtain the authorization of the judge to bring before you.