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Rules and Regulations to be observed in the several Courts of Vice Admiralty.

§ 1. *As to the holding of Courts.*

Courts are to be regularly held at short intervals by adjournment from day to day; but the Judge is authorized to sit on any intermediate day as herein after provided, in case the despatch of business, or other necessity shall require. The practice which has prevailed in many of the Vice Admiralty Courts of presenting a petition to the Judge to appoint a day for holding a Court is from henceforth to cease.

The Judge is to be at convenient times accessible to his chambers, that he may be, if necessary, consulted by the Registrar on any incidental matter, or for the purpose of hearing a motion by Counsel, or directing the sale of perishable goods, or doing any other act which the emergency of a case may render requisite to be done.

§ 2. *Surrogates.*

The admitted Advocates of each Court are to be appointed Surrogates, to do, in the absence of the Judge, ordinary, or common-form acts (but none other), such as the administering an oath to a witness, decreeing a monition, taking bail, and the like; but in those Courts in which the Advocate is allowed to act as a Proctor also,