

14. If the person accused refuses or neglects to appear and make answer to the said articles, or appears and makes any answer other than an unqualified admission of the truth thereof, the Bishop shall proceed to hear the cause, with the assistance of three Assessors nominated by him, one of whom shall be his Chancellor, or a barrister of not less than seven years standing, and another the Dean of his Cathedral Church, or one of his Archdeacons; and upon the hearing of such cause the Bishop shall determine the same and pronounce sentence thereupon, according to the ecclesiastical law and the statutes of this Province enabling the members of the United Church of England and Ireland to meet in Synod.

15. All sentences pronounced by the Bishop or his Commissary in pursuance of this Canon, shall be good and effectual, and binding on all persons concerned therein; and such sentences may extend to admonition, suspension, or to deposition or deprivation, as provided by the said statutes of this Province in the preceding section mentioned. Should the sentence be one of admonition, it may be public or private, as the Bishop determines. When the penalty of suspension is inflicted, such sentence shall specify the terms thereof and the period of duration. Removal of a Clerk in Holy Orders from office in the Church shall be considered to include deposition and deprivation. Upon such sentence being pronounced, the connection between him and his Parish or Congregation shall be *ipso facto* severed, and all other offices, rents, issues, profits, and emoluments which he may have held by virtue of such office or ministry, from which he has been removed, shall wholly cease and determine. A copy of the sentence shall be sent to the accused, and another to the Vestry or Vestries of the Parish or Parishes, Congregation or Congregations, with which he may be canonically connected, and such other publicity may be given to it as the Bishop or his Commissary deems expedient.

16. It shall be within the power of the Bishop, by virtue of his office, and not inconsistent or contrary to this Canon, to admonish those offending, which admonition, for any offence mentioned in the second section of this Canon not made a subject for judicial enquiry or presentment, shall be made in private; upon a subsequent offence, it shall be public or private at the discretion of the Bishop, and made in such manner as to the Bishop seems proper.

17. In every case in which from the nature of the offence charged, it appears to the Bishop that great scandal is likely to arise from the person accused continuing to perform the Services of the Church while such charge is under investigation, or that his ministration will be useless while such charge is pending, the Bishop may cause a notice to be served on such person, or at any time pending any proceedings under this Canon, inhibiting the said person from performing any Services of the Church within this Diocese, from and after the expiration of four-