



Ohio Revised Code

Section 5924.39 Convening without members of court present.

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(A) At any time after the service of charges that have been referred for trial to a court-martial composed of a military judge and members, the military judge may, subject to section 5924.35 of the Revised Code, call the court into session without the presence of the members for the following purposes:

- (1) Hearing and determining motions raising defenses or objections that are capable of determination without trial of the issues raised by a plea of not guilty;
- (2) Hearing and ruling upon any matter that may be ruled upon by the military judge under this code, whether or not the matter is appropriate for later consideration or decision by the members of the court;
- (3) If permitted by regulations prescribed by the governor, holding the arraignment and receiving the pleas of the accused;
- (4) Performing any other procedural function that may be performed by the military judge under this code or under regulations prescribed pursuant to section 5924.36 of the Revised Code and that does not require the presence of the members of the court.

These proceedings shall be conducted in the presence of the accused, the defense counsel, and the trial counsel, and shall be made a part of the record.

(B) When the members of a court-martial deliberate or vote, only the members may be present. All other proceedings, including any other consultation of the members of the court with counsel or the military judge, shall be made a part of the record and shall be in the presence of the accused, the defense counsel, the trial counsel, and, in cases in which a military judge has been detailed to the court, the military judge.



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