there were or would be criminal or disciplinary proceedings pending, with intent to influence, impede, or otherwise obstruct the due administration of justice shall be punished as a courtmartial may direct.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5445, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2956.)

### EFFECTIVE DATE

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## §931c. Art. 131c. Misprision of serious offense

Any person subject to this chapter-

(1) who knows that another person has committed a serious offense; and

(2) wrongfully conceals the commission of the offense and fails to make the commission of the offense known to civilian or military authorities as soon as possible;

shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5446, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2956.)

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### §931d. Art. 131d. Wrongful refusal to testify

Any person subject to this chapter who, in the presence of a court-martial, a board of officers, a military commission, a court of inquiry, a preliminary hearing, or an officer taking a deposition, of or for the United States, wrongfully refuses to qualify as a witness or to answer a question after having been directed to do so by the person presiding shall be punished as a courtmartial may direct.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5447, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2957.)

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## §931e. Art. 131e. Prevention of authorized seizure of property

Any person subject to this chapter who, knowing that one or more persons authorized to make searches and seizures are seizing, are about to seize, or are endeavoring to seize property, destroys, removes, or otherwise disposes of the property with intent to prevent the seizure thereof shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5448, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2957.)

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sions relating to applicability to various situations, see section 5542 of Pub. L. 114–328 and Ex. Ord. No. 13825, set out as notes under section 801 of this title.

# §931f. Art. 131f. Noncompliance with procedural rules

Any person subject to this chapter who—

(1) is responsible for unnecessary delay in the disposition of any case of a person accused of an offense under this chapter; or

(2) knowingly and intentionally fails to enforce or comply with any provision of this chapter regulating the proceedings before, during, or after trial of an accused;

shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

(Aug. 10, 1956, ch. 1041, 70A Stat. 69, §898; renumbered §931f, Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5401(3), Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2938.)

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### Amendments

 $2016\mathrm{--Pub.}$  L. 114-328 renumbered section 898 of this title as this section.

### EFFECTIVE DATE OF 2016 AMENDMENT

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# § 931g. Art. 131g. Wrongful interference with adverse administrative proceeding

Any person subject to this chapter who, having reason to believe that an adverse administrative proceeding is pending against any person subject to this chapter, wrongfully acts with the intent—

(1) to influence, impede, or obstruct the conduct of the proceeding; or

(2) otherwise to obstruct the due administration of justice;

shall be punished as a court-martial may direct.

(Added Pub. L. 114-328, div. E, title LX, §5449, Dec. 23, 2016, 130 Stat. 2957.)

### EFFECTIVE DATE

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### §932. Art. 132. Retaliation

(a) IN GENERAL.—Any person subject to this chapter who, with the intent to retaliate against any person for reporting or planning to report a criminal offense, or making or planning to make a protected communication, or with the intent to discourage any person from reporting a criminal offense or making or planning to make a protected communication—

(1) wrongfully takes or threatens to take an adverse personnel action against any person; or