



Henry Wirz, Commander of Andersonville Confederate Prison: Trial and Execution

UNITED STATES ARMY STAFF JUDGE ADVOCATE

Henry Wirz (1823 – 1865) was the only Confederate soldier tried after the end of the American Civil War. He was convicted and executed for conspiracy and murder relating to his command of Camp Sumter, the infamous Confederate prisoner-of-war camp at Andersonville, Georgia. Wirz encouraged barbaric and murderous policies and actions in the prison. This LibriVox recording is excerpted from the 850-page summary of the trial written by the Army Judge Advocate (prosecutor) for the House of Representatives. The recording omits 614 pages of testimony by numerous witnesses, both Federal and Confederate; however, what is recorded conveys the substance of the witnesses' testimony.

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