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CHAPTER 9
JUDICIAL COUNCIL

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§ 451. Establishment

A Judicial Council, as heretofore established, shall make a continuous study of the organization, rules and methods of procedure and practice of the judicial system of the State, the work accomplished and the results produced by that system and its various parts. Said council shall be composed of the Attorney General; 2 Justices of the Superior Court; 2 Judges of the District Court; one judge of a probate court of this State; one clerk of the judicial courts of this State; 2 members of the bar; and 3 laymen, all to be appointed by the Governor with the advice and consent of the Executive Council. The appointments by the Governor shall be for such periods, not exceeding 4 years, as he shall determine.

R.S.1954, c. 113, § 195; 1963, c. 402, § 182.

§ 452. Reports

The Judicial Council shall report biennially on or before the first day of December to the Governor upon the work of the various branches of the judicial system. Said council may from time to time submit for the consideration of the justices of the various courts such suggestions in regard to rules of practice and procedure as it may deem advisable.

R.S.1954, c. 113, § 196; 1961, c. 64.

§ 453. Expenses

No member of said council shall receive any compensation for his services; but said council and the several members thereof shall be allowed, out of any appropriation made for the purpose, such expenses for clerical and other services, travel and incidentals as the Chief Justice shall approve. The Chief Justice shall be ex officio chairman of said council, and said council may appoint one of its members or some other suitable person to act as secretary for said council.

R.S.1954, c. 113, § 197; 1957, c. 50.