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CHAPTER 11

REFEREES, MASTERS AND AUDITORS

Sec.

501. Appointment; fees.

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In all cases in the Supreme Judicial or in the Superior Court in which the court appoints one or more persons, not exceeding 3, as referees, masters or auditors, to hear the same, their fees and necessary expenses, including stenographic services upon a per diem basis, shall be paid by the county on presentation of the proper certificate of the clerk of courts for that county, or by such of the parties, or out of any fund or subject matter of the action, which is in the custody and control of the court, or by apportionment among such sources of payment, as the court shall direct. The amount thereof shall be fixed by the court upon the coming in of the report. They shall notify the parties of the time and place of hearing and have power to adjourn; witnesses may be summoned and compelled to attend and may be sworn by the referees, masters or auditors. When there is more than one referee, master or auditor, all must hear, but a majority may report, stating whether all did hear. Their report may be recommitted. They may be discharged and others appointed.

No fee or compensation other than his necessary expenses shall be paid any Justice of the Supreme Judicial or of the Superior Court for his services as referee, master or auditor, but this provision shall not apply to an active retired justice.

R.S.1954, c. 113, § 93; 1957, c. 182; 1959, c. 317, § 187; 1961, c. 317, § 370.