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CHAPTER 5

NOTICES

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§ 201. Public notice, defined

In laws relating to probate courts and proceedings, the words "public notice" denote notice published 3 weeks successively in a newspaper published in the county whose court has jurisdiction, or in which the deceased last dwelt, as ordered by the judge or, if none, in the state paper; the words "personal notice" denote service by a copy given in hand or left at the place of last and usual abode, 7 days at least before the time of hearing; and the words "due notice" denote public or personal notice, at the discretion of the judge.

R.S.1954, c. 153, § 52.

§ 202. Selection of newspaper for notices

Notices to be published in a newspaper shall be published in such paper published in the county as the party required to publish it selects, unless the judge deems such paper unsuitable for want of circulation or other substantial reason.

R.S.1954, c. 153, § 53.

§ 203. Notice of qualification of fiduciary; date

Within 2 months after the qualification of an executor, administrator, guardian of an adult or conservator, the register of probate shall cause public notice of such appointment and the date of qualification to be given, and shall enter upon the docket the name of the newspaper and the date of the first publication. Such notice may be given in a list showing the name of the estate, the name and residence of each person appointed and, in each case where an agent has been appointed, the name and residence of such agent. Such executor, administrator, guardian or conservator may be required to give such further notice of his appointment as the judge may order. At the time of his qualification, such executor, administrator, conservator or guardian of an adult shall

pay to the register of probate the cost of such public notice, together with such reasonable fee for such additional duty as may be fixed by the judge, and he shall be allowed said sums in his account.

An executor, administrator, guardian of an adult or conservator shall be deemed to be qualified when his bond has been filed and approved by the judge of probate. In cases where no bond is required, the date of appointment shall be deemed to be the date of qualification.

R.S.1954, c. 153, § 54.