

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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EIGHTY-THIRD LEGISLATURE

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House of Representatives, Mar. 9, 1927.

Referred to Committee on Judiciary and 500 copies ordered printed. Sent up for concurrence.

CLYDE R. CHAPMAN, Clerk.

Presented by Mr. Dudley of Calais.

STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD ONE THOUSAND NINE
HUNDRED AND TWENTY-SEVEN

AN ACT Relating to Trial Terms of the Supreme Judicial
Court.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

Section fifty-one of chapter eighty-two of the revised
2 statutes, as amended by chapters seventy-three, two hundred
3 and eleven and two hundred twenty-seven of the public
4 laws of nineteen hundred and seventeen and further amend-
5 ed by chapter one hundred eighty-one of the public laws of
6 nineteen hundred twenty-one, is hereby amended by striking
7 out the whole of said section, and substituting the following
8 words therefor, so that said section fifty-one, as amended,
9 shall read as follows:

'Sect. 51. For the trial of civil actions and of persons

2 accused of offenses, and for the transaction of all other
3 business, except cases named in section forty-six, the court
4 shall be held annually by one justice, at the following places
5 and times; and the justices shall so hold said terms, under
6 the direction of the chief justice, that their services shall be
7 divided to each county as equally as may be.

‘In the county of Androscoggin at Auburn, on the third
2 Tuesdays of January, April and September, for civil busi-
3 ness;

‘Aroostook, at Houlton, on the third Tuesdays of April
2 and November, for civil and criminal business, and at
3 Caribou on the first Tuesdays of February and September
4 for civil business only; at each term of which the court
5 shall place upon the trial list and hear only such civil actions
6 pending in said court as may be more conveniently tried
7 at that term, except that by agreement of attorneys inter-
8 ested other cases may be placed upon such trial list;

‘Cumberland, at Portland, on the second Tuesdays of Jan-
2 uary, April and October, for civil business;

‘Franklin, at Farmington, on the first Tuesday of Febru-
2 ary, third Tuesday of May, and the second Tuesday of
3 September; the May term shall be held without a grand
4 jury and with but one traverse jury, unless a justice of said
5 court shall otherwise specially order, in which case the
6 clerk shall send venires for the requisite number of trav-
7 erse jurors, and shall summon the grand jury of the preced-
8 ing term, as the terms of said order may require. All recog-

9 nizations for municipal courts and trial justices in which
10 parties are held to await the action of the grand jury, made
11 returnable to said May term, shall, when no grand jury is
12 in attendance, be continued to and have day in the next
13 term of court held in said county;

‘Hancock, at Ellsworth, on the fourth Tuesday of April
2 and second Tuesday of October;

‘Kennebec, at Augusta, on the first Tuesday of March,
2 and the second Tuesday of October, for civil business;

‘Knox, at Rockland, on the second Tuesday of January,
2 first Tuesday of April, and the second Tuesday of Septem-
3 ber;

‘Lincoln, at Wiscasset, on the fourth Tuesdays of April
2 and October;

‘Oxford, at Paris, on the second Tuesdays of February
2 and October, and at Rumford on the second Tuesday of
3 May, with a grand jury at each term;

‘Penobscot, at Bangor, on the first Tuesdays of April and
2 October, for civil business;

‘Piscataquis, at Dover, on the second Tuesdays of March
2 and September;

‘Sagadahoc, at Bath, on the fourth Tuesday of January,
2 the second Tuesday of May and the third Tuesday of
3 October.

‘All matters or proceedings commenced before or after
2 this act takes effect and returnable to, and all matters pend-
3 ing in said court in said county of Sagadahoc, and which

4 would, but for the provisions of this act, be entered and
5 have day at the term of said court to be held on the second
6 Tuesday of October in the year of our Lord one thousand
7 nine hundred and twenty-one, as provided by law, shall be
8 entered and have day at the term of the supreme judicial
9 court in said county to be held on the third Tuesday of
10 October in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred
11 and twenty-one which is substituted by this act for said
12 second Tuesday of October, and shall have day therein as
13 if originally made returnable to said third Tuesday of
14 October.

‘Somerset, at Skowhegan, on the fourth Tuesday of Jan-
2 uary, first Tuesday of April, and the third Tuesday of
3 September;

‘Waldo, at Belfast, on the first Tuesday of January, the
2 third Tuesday of April, and the fourth Tuesday of Septem-
3 ber;

‘Washington, at Machias, on the fourth Tuesday of Janu-
2 ary and the second Tuesday of October, and at Calais on
3 the first Tuesday of May;

‘York, at Saco, on the first Tuesday of January, and at
2 Alfred on the first Tuesday of May and the third Tuesday
3 of September.’