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ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

S T A T E O F M A I N E

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED
THIRTY-NINE

**AN ACT in Regard to New Trials on the Ground of Newly Discovered
Evidence.**

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

Motions for new trial on ground of newly discovered evidence. In criminal cases tried in the superior court, motions for new trials on the ground of newly discovered evidence or for any other cause, except a motion to set aside a verdict as against law or the evidence, may be filed with the clerk at any time after as well as before judgment, and before or after the adjournment of the term at which judgment is rendered; but such motions may be filed after judgment only with the consent of a justice of the superior court upon good cause shown.

The clerk shall give immediate written notice of such filing by mail or otherwise to the prosecuting attorney.

The evidence in support thereof, or in rebuttal or impeachment, shall be taken within such time and in such manner as the court, or any justice thereof in vacation, shall order, and shall be certified to the law court for determination.

This act shall apply to cases in which judgment has already been rendered as well as shall be rendered hereafter.