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they occur and thereupon it shall become the duty of the Secretary of State Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice, forthwith upon receipt of each amendatory certificate, to revise the central register of attorneys accordingly, to the end that said register may be perpetually maintained with current corrections from each county. A list of persons admitted each year together with the date and place of taking the oath and the date of admission shall be supplied annually to the secretary of the Board of Bar Examiners for the Examination of Applicants for Admission to the Bar by the Secretary of State Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice.

§ 904. Register as evidence

If and whenever in any proceedings before any court of civil or criminal jurisdiction within the State of Maine, it becomes an issue as to whether or not any individual is or is not duly admitted to practice law as a member of the bar in the State of Maine, the certificate of the Secretary of State Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice as to whether or not his name then

appears upon the said central roll or register of attorneys shall be prima facie evidence of the fact.

§ 905. Certificates

It shall be the duty of the Secretary of State Administrative Assistant to the Chief Justice upon payment of a fee of \$5 to furnish his certificate under seal of the Supreme Judicial Court in respect of any individual as to whether he is or is not recorded as a member of the bar on the said central register except that such certificate shall be furnished without charge to the Attorney General, his deputies and assistants and the county attorneys of the several counties for use in connection with their public duties.

Sec. 2. Effective date. This Act shall take effect on January 1, 1972.

Effective January 1, 1972

Chapter 116

AN ACT Relating to Definition of Wholesaler under Liquor Law.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 28, § 2, sub-§ 24, repealed and replaced. Subsection 24 of section 2 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, is repealed and the following enacted in place thereof:

24. Wholesaler. "Wholesaler" shall mean and include persons licensed by the commission to engage in the purchase and resale of malt or brewed beverages and wines, or both, in the original containers, as prepared for the market by the manufacturer at the place of manufacture, but not for consumption on the premises of said wholesaler. Sec. 2. R. S., T. 28, § 651, amended. Section 651 of Title 28 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by section 21 of chapter 360 of the public laws of 1969, is further amended by adding at the end the following sentences:

A wholesaler shall maintain a warehouse or warehouses within this State and employ a salesman or salesmen for the purpose of soliciting orders. A wholesaler shall also operate under a franchise or agreement for the resale of malt or brewed beverages and wines, or both, within an allocated territory by a holder of a certificate of approval.

Effective September 23, 1971

Chapter 117

AN ACT Relating to Jurisdiction of the District Court in Proceedings to Quiet Title in Real Estate Matters.

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

Sec. 1. R. S., T. 4, § 152, amended. The first sentence of section 152 of Title 4 of the Revised Statutes, as amended by chapter 236 of the public laws of 1965, is further amended to read as follows:

The District Court shall possess the civil and criminal jurisdiction exercised by all trial justices and municipal courts in the State on September 16, 1961, and in addition, original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the Superior Court of all civil actions in which neither damages in excess of \$10,000 nor equitable relief is demanded, of proceedings under Title 14, sections 6651 to 6658 and of actions for divorce or annulment of marriage and of proceedings under Title 19 and original jurisdiction, concurrent with that of the probate court, of actions for separation.

Sec. 2. R. S., T. 14, § 6651, amended. The first sentence of section 6651 of Title 14 of the Revised Statutes is amended to read as follows:

A person in possession of real property, claiming an estate of freehold therein or an unexpired term of not less than 10 years, or a person who has conveyed such property or any interest therein with covenants of title or warranty, upon which he may be liable, may, if he or those under whom he claims or those claiming under him have been in uninterrupted possession of such property for 4 years or more, bring an action in the Superior Court, or in the District Court in the county or district respectively in which said real property lies, setting forth his estate, stating the source of his title, describing the premises, and averring that an apprehension exists that persons named in the complaint, or persons unknown claiming as heirs, devisees or assigns, or in any other way, by, through or under a person or persons named in the complaint, claim or may claim some right, title or interest in the premises adverse to his said estate; and that such apprehension creates a cloud upon the title and depreciates the market value of the property; and praying that such persons be summoned to show cause why they should not bring an action to try their title to the described premises.