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CHAPTER 202

S.P. 148 - L.D. 439

AN ACT to Provide Necessary Statutory
Changes as a Result of Certain Laws
Relating to Juries.

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

Sec. 1. 14 MRSA §1203-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 705, Pt. G, §3, is amended to read:

1. Clerk. "Clerk" means the Clerk of Court of the Superior Court and includes any of his ~~deputies~~ assistants.

Sec. 2. 14 MRSA §1211, as amended by PL 1981, c. 705, Pt. G, §4, is further amended to read:

§1211. Disqualifications and exemptions from jury service

A prospective juror is disqualified to serve on a jury if he is not a citizen of the United States, 18 years old and a resident of the county, or is unable to read, speak and understand the English language. The following persons are exempt from serving as jurors: The Governor, judges, clerks and deputy assistant clerks of courts, Secretary and Treasurer of State, all officers of the United States, judges of probate, physicians and surgeons, dentists, sheriffs, counselors, attorneys-at-law and all persons exempt under Title 37-A, section 1117.

Sec. 3. 14 MRSA §1254-A, sub-§1, as enacted by PL 1981, c. 705, Pt. G, §14, is amended to read:

1. Procedure. The clerk shall, at times deemed reasonable and necessary to promote the efficient operation of the court and the juror selection system, ~~but in no event less than 30 days before service by jurors is required,~~ mail a juror qualification form to every prospective juror whose name has been drawn in accordance with section 1253-A. The form shall be accompanied by instructions directing the prospective juror to fill out and return the form by mail to the clerk within the time specified. The clerk shall prepare or cause to be prepared a list of the names to whom questionnaires are mailed. Neither the list of questionnaire recipients nor the names drawn may be disclosed to any person, except as provided in this chapter.

Effective September 23, 1983.