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CHAPTER 717

NATURALIZATION AND CITIZENSHIP

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§ 6451. Jurisdiction; applications for naturalization

The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction of applications for naturalization. No other court established by this State shall entertain any primary or final declaration or application made by or in behalf of an alien to become a citizen of the United States or entertain jurisdiction of the naturalization of aliens.

R.S.1954, c. 106, § 21.

§ 6452. —Petitions for declaration of citizenship

The Superior Court shall have jurisdiction to hear and determine complaints of persons alleging themselves to be citizens, resident and domiciled inhabitants of this State and praying a judicial declaration of such citizenship, residence and domicile. Such complaints shall set forth the grounds upon which the application is based, shall be supported by such evidence as the court shall deem necessary and shall be filed, heard and determined in the county in which the plaintiff claims residence. If such plaintiff desires a jury trial upon his complaint, he may indorse a request therefor upon the complaint at the time of entry and shall thereupon be entitled to the same.

R.S.1954, c. 106, § 22; 1963, c. 414, § 115.

§ 6453. Notice to Attorney General

Notice of said complaint shall be given to the Attorney General by causing an attested copy of the same to be served upon him by an officer qualified to serve civil process, at least 14 days prior to the first day of the term of court at which said complaint is entered and the Attorney General may appear and be heard thereon

R.S.1954, c. 106, § 23; 1963, c. 414, § 116.

§ 6454. Change of residence

In the event of a subsequent change of residence on the part of any person so declared to be a citizen of this State, said court shall have jurisdiction and authority upon complaint therefor and like proceedings had to make a judicial declaration of such change of residence, and decree that the former judgment entered in such case shall thereafter be of no force and effect.

R.S.1954, c. 106, § 24; 1963, c. 414, § 117.