

By Mr. Buglione of Methuen, petition of Nicholas J. Buglione relative to venue of small claims actions. The Judiciary.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

In the Year One Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty-Five.

AN ACT RELATIVE TO VENUE OF SMALL CLAIMS ACTIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 Section 21 of chapter 218 of the General Laws, as most recently
2 amended by chapter 27 of the acts of 1982, is hereby further
3 amended by striking out the third sentence and inserting in place
4 thereof the following sentence: — Actions under this section and
5 sections twenty-two to twenty-five, inclusive, shall be brought, at
6 the option of the plaintiff, in the judicial district where either the
7 plaintiff or the defendant lives or has his usual place of business or
8 employment; provided, however, that actions brought against a
9 landlord or lessor of land or tenements rented for residential
10 purposes, and arising out of such property or rental, may also be
11 brought in the judicial district in which the property is located;
12 provided, further, that each division within the district court
13 department shall have civil jurisdiction of such actions commenced
14 in such division which should have been brought in some other
15 division, to the extent that the action may be heard and disposed of
16 by the court in the division in which it was begun if the venue of said
17 action is waived or, if venue requirements are not waived, the court
18 may, on motion of any party, order the action, with all papers,
19 relating thereto, transferred for hearing and disposition to the
20 division in which the action should have been commenced.

The following is a list of the names of the persons who have been elected to the office of Justice of the Peace for the year 1900.

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