

WISCONSIN LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL ACT MEMO

2007 Wisconsin Act 179 [2007 Assembly Bill 248]

Part-Time Court Commissioners

Under prior law, only a full-time court commissioner, in a criminal manner, could conduct a preliminary examination and arraignment and, with the consent of both the state and the defendant, accept a guilty plea.

Wisconsin Act 179 amends the statutes to provide that a part-time court commissioner also may conduct a preliminary examination and arraignment and accept a guilty plea.

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This memo provides a brief description of the Act. For more detailed information, consult the text of the law and related legislative documents at the Legislature's Web site at: <u>http://www.legis.state.wi.us/</u>.