

CHAPTER 716.

AN ACT to renumber 252.17 (respective unnumbered paragraphs exclusive of the introductory paragraph) and to amend 252.17 (8) as renumbered, and 366.08 of the statutes, relating to court commissioner and court reporter fees and stenographer fees at inquests.

The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:

SECTION 1. 252.17 (respective unnumbered paragraphs exclusive of the introductory paragraph) is renumbered 252.17 (1) to (33) and (8) thereof amended to read:

252.17 (8) Every day's attendance upon the taking of testimony or examination of witnesses in any matter or proceeding whatever, whether acting as a referee or otherwise, \$5, and also 20 cents per folio for * * * *the original transcript of the testimony so taken; the reporter shall be paid 7½ cents per folio for each copy thereof. The reporter shall be paid \$5 per day for the attendance at each examination or adjourned hearing whether or not evidence is taken except that no attendance fee shall be paid where testimony taken at any examination or adjourned hearing the folio charge therefor is \$5 or more; where the reporter is present, no motion for adjournment shall be granted unless the movant first pays the reporter's attendance fee. No such attendance fee shall be allowed to a court reporter whose salary is paid in whole or in part by the state. Out of fees charged by the court commissioner under this subsection he shall be obligated to pay to the reporter 10 cents per folio for the original transcript. The attorney requesting the examination shall be directly responsible to the court commissioner and the reporter for the payment of all fees, except where paid by the party requesting an adjournment. The attorney ordering the examination shall be responsible for the payment of the original of the testimony taken or transcript thereof, and any attorney ordering a copy of the transcript shall be responsible for the payment of the same to the court reporter. The court commissioner shall be directly liable to the court reporter for the payment of the 10 cents per folio charges for testimony taken. Unless the context clearly indicates otherwise, as used in this subsection, "court reporter" or "reporter" includes also a stenographer.*

SECTION 2. 366.08 of the statutes is amended to read:

366.08 In all cases the testimony of all witnesses examined before the inquest shall be reduced to writing by the coroner, or some other person by his direction, and subscribed by the witnesses. Any officer authorized to take inquests may employ a stenographer to take and transcribe the testimony of all witnesses examined at any inquest held by him. Such stenographer shall receive * * * 15 cents per folio for all the testimony taken and transcribed by him, *plus 7½ cents per folio for each copy thereof*, his account therefor, after being audited by the proper county board, shall be paid by county treasurer.

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