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CHAPTER 371.

AN ACT to amend chapter 33, of the general laws of Wisconsin of the year 1893, entitled "An act to create and establish a superior court in and for Douglas county, Wisconsin," as amended by chapter 301, laws of 1893.

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

Amending
ch. 33, laws
of 1893.

Jurisdiction
concurrent
with circuit
court in
some cases.

Appellate
jurisdiction.

General
jurisdiction.

SECTION 1. Section 2, of chapter 33, of the laws of 1893, is hereby further amended by inserting after the word "equity," where it appears in the twenty-first line of said section, the words "and in all special proceedings," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 2. "Said superior court shall have and may exercise powers and jurisdiction concurrent and equal with the circuit court of said Douglas county, in all cases of crimes and misdemeanors arising in said county, except murder, and appellate jurisdiction of all crimes and misdemeanors tried before the judge of the municipal court or justices of the peace in said county, in the same manner as now provided by law for appeals to the circuit court in such cases. Said superior court shall have exclusive appellate jurisdiction in all cases of appeal from the municipal and justices' courts in said county in all civil actions, and in all actions commenced in said courts where an answer shall be put in showing that the title to lands will come in question, all of which cases shall be certified and all official returns made to said superior court in the manner prescribed by law, and said court shall have and exercise powers and jurisdiction in all civil actions and proceedings in law and equity and in all special proceedings, except as to actions and proceedings under chapter 151, of the revised statutes, concurrent with and

equal to the jurisdiction of the circuit court of Douglas county, when the value of the property in controversy or the amount of money claimed or sought to be recovered after deducting all payments and set-offs shall not exceed five million dollars, and of all actions for divorce and for affirmance or annulment of the marriage contract. The presiding judge thereof shall have and exercise the powers of a circuit judge at chambers as of all actions or proceedings in said superior court.

Amount in controversy not to exceed five million dollars.

Presiding judge—powers of.

SECTION 2. Section 6, of said chapter is hereby amended by inserting after the word "civil" in the third line thereof the words "and criminal," so that said section when so amended shall read as follows: Section 6. The general provisions of law which may at any time be in force relating to the circuit courts, and to civil and criminal actions and proceedings therein, shall relate to said superior court, unless inapplicable, and except as herein otherwise provided; and the rules of practice prescribed by law and the justices of the supreme court for circuit courts, shall be in force in said superior court. Court commissioners in said county shall have the same powers and be subject to the same duties in respect to actions and proceedings in said superior court as in the circuit court.

Laws and rules relating to circuit courts to apply.

Court commissioners.

SECTION 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage and publication.

Approved April 19, 1895.