

JURY TRIALS IN JUSTICE COURTS (EXCERPT)
Act 288 of 1929

730.260 Drawing of jurors; procedure, record.

Sec. 10.

The clerk of the justice court shall conduct such drawing as follows:

(a) He shall place in a box prepared for that purpose all of the names contained in the list of jurors returned by the board of jury commissioners, except the names of those persons who have been previously drawn on a jury panel during the current year, each name appearing upon a separate slip of paper as above provided. He shall then shake the box so as to mix the slips of paper upon which names were written, as much as possible.

(b) He shall publicly draw out of such box 1 slip of paper and hand the same to 1 of the attending justices of the peace, whose duty it shall be to keep a minute of the names drawn. When such justice shall have made a minute of the names so drawn, the clerk of the justice court shall proceed in the same manner to draw other names from said box until the required number of jurors has been selected.

(c) A minute of the drawing shall be kept by such attending justice of the peace in which shall be entered the name contained on every slip of paper so drawn before any other slip shall be drawn.

(d) If after drawing the required number of justice court jurors, the name of any person shall appear to have been drawn who is dead, insane, or who has permanently removed from the city, to the knowledge of the clerk of the justice court or any other attending officer, an entry of such fact shall be made in the minutes of the drawing and the slip of paper containing such name shall be destroyed. Another name shall then be drawn from the box in the manner above provided and entered in the minutes of the drawing. The same proceeding shall be had as often as may be necessary until the whole number of jurors required shall have been drawn.

(e) The minutes of the drawing shall then be signed by the clerk of the justice court and the attending justice of the peace and filed in the office of the clerk of the justice court.

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