

jurisdiction, powers and authority, and be paid such fees, as are, from time to time, prescribed by general rules or orders :

Tenure of office.

2. A surrogate judge shall hold office during pleasure ; and his appointment shall not be determined by the occurrence of a vacancy in the office of the local judge of his district.

Oaths.

**12.** Every deputy and surrogate judge shall, previously to entering on the duties of office, take, before the judge of the Exchequer Court, or the judge of any Superior Court, an oath similar in form to that to be taken by a local judge.

Where suits may be instituted.

**13.** Any suit may be instituted in any district registry when—

(a.) The ship or property, the subject of the suit, is at the time of the institution of the suit within the district of such registry ;

(b.) The owner or owners of the ship or property, or the owner or owners of the larger number of shares in the ship, or the managing owner or the ship's husband reside at the time of the institution of the suit within the district of such registry ;

(c) The port of registry of the ship is within the district of such registry ; or—

(d.) The parties so agree by a memorandum signed by them or by their attorneys or agents :

Proviso.

Provided always, that when a suit has been instituted in any registry, no further suit shall be instituted in respect of the same matter in any other registry of the court, without leave of the judge of the court, and subject to such terms, as to costs and otherwise, as he directs.

Appeal.

**14.** An appeal may be made to the Exchequer Court from any final judgment, decree or order of any local judge in Admiralty, and, with the permission of such local judge or of the judge of the Exchequer Court, from any interlocutory decree or order therein, on security for costs being first given, and subject to such other provisions as are prescribed by general rules or orders :

2. An appeal may, however, be made direct to the Supreme Court of Canada from any final judgment, decree or order of a local judge, subject to the provisions of "*The Exchequer Court Act*" regarding appeals.