

cause, agreeing in or dissenting from the judgment of the majority of the Court, and signed by him, or has or had, in testimony of his concurrence therein, signed a written decision drawn up to be delivered and delivered by any other Judge or Judges, such Judge shall be reckoned as if present for the purpose of rendering judgment in the cause, and the decision so transmitted or signed by him shall be of the same effect as if delivered or concurred in by him in Court; and such decision may be so transmitted or signed by a Judge who has been removed to another Court or has resigned, and who would be competent to sit and give the decision in person, under section two.

Such Judge to be reckoned as if present.

The same cases heard in review by Judges of the Superior Court.

4. Whenever any cause in the Superior or Circuit Court has been heard in review by three Judges of the Superior Court, and at least one of the Judges who heard the same, is present in Court and ready to proceed to judgment in the cause, then if any Judge who heard the cause and would be competent to sit in judgment therein, be prevented by death, removal to another Court, sickness or other cause from being present, but has (or had before his decease,) addressed a letter to the Prothonotary of the said Court, containing his decision in the cause signed by him, or has or had in testimony of his concurrence therein, signed a written decision drawn up to be delivered and delivered by a Judge so present, such Judge shall be reckoned as present for the purpose of rendering judgment in the cause, and the decision so transmitted or signed by him shall be of the same effect as if delivered or concurred in by him in Court; and such decision may be so transmitted or signed by a Judge who has resigned or been removed to another Court and who would have been competent to sit and give his decision in person under section two.

Interlocutory judgments.

5. The foregoing provisions shall apply as well to interlocutory as to final judgments.

Act not to prevent express order for rehearing.

6. Nothing in this Act shall prevent the Court from ordering a rehearing in any cause if notwithstanding the provisions herein made, they deem such rehearing requisite.

Interpretation.

7. The word "Judge" in this Act includes the Chief Justice, or Assistant Judge of the Court, unless the context requires a different construction.