

60-612. Hearing or trial outside county; nonconformity with Americans with disabilities act accessibility guidelines. (a) Without changing venue, a judge may conduct any hearing or nonjury trial in any county agreed upon by all parties who are not in default.

(b) If the court finds on motion of any party, that the county where an action was filed does not have a courtroom or other suitable facility which conforms to section 11 of the Americans with disabilities act accessibility guidelines for buildings and facilities (ADAAG), adopted by 28 C.F.R. § 36.406 and incorporated in appendix A thereto, as in effect on July 1, 1999, and that such failure to conform would prohibit or limit the participation of a person material to the proceeding, the judge, without changing venue, may conduct any hearing or trial in any county with an accessible courtroom.

(c) If the court finds, on motion of any person at least 21 days before the hearing or trial, that the county where an action was filed does not have a courtroom or other suitable facility which conforms to section 11 of the Americans with disabilities act accessibility guidelines for buildings and facilities (ADAAG), adopted by 28 C.F.R. § 36.406 and incorporated in appendix A thereto, as in effect on July 1, 1999, and that such failure to conform would prohibit or limit the attendance of any person, the judge, without changing venue, may conduct the hearing or trial in any county with an accessible courtroom. Notice of the change of the location shall be given to the parties at least 14 days prior to the date of the first proceeding at the alternate location.

History: L. 1963, ch. 303, 60-612; L. 1983, ch. 197, § 2; L. 1999, ch. 155, § 1; L. 2010, ch. 135, § 159; July 1.