

**JURISDICTION AND VENUE**

**14.030 Jurisdiction as affected by place where cause of action or suit arises.**

When the court has jurisdiction of the parties, it may exercise it in respect to any cause of action or suit wherever arising, except for the specific recovery of real property situated without this state, or for an injury thereto.

14.035 [1963 c.352 §1; 1975 c.628 §2; 1979 c.246 §2; repealed by 1979 c.246 §7]

**14.040 Actions and suits that are to be brought where subject is situated.** Actions and suits for the following causes shall be commenced and tried in the county in which the subject of the action or suit, or some part thereof, is situated:

(1) Actions for the recovery of real property, or an estate or interest therein, or for injuries to real property;

(2) Actions for the recovery of any personal property distrained for any cause;

(3) Suits for the partition of real property;

(4) Suits for the foreclosure of a lien or mortgage upon real property;

(5) Suits for the determination of an adverse claim, estate, or interest in real property, or the specific performance of an agreement in relation thereto.

**14.050 Actions that are to be brought where cause arose.** Actions for the following causes shall be commenced and tried in the county where the cause or some part thereof, arose:

(1) For the recovery of a penalty or forfeiture imposed by statute, except that when it is imposed for an offense committed on a lake, river or other stream of water, situated in two or more counties, the action may be commenced and tried in any county bordering on such lake, river or stream, and opposite the place where the offense was committed;

(2) Against a public officer or person specially appointed to execute the duties of the public officer for an act done by the officer or person in virtue of the office of the public officer; or against a person who, by the command of the public officer, or in aid of the public officer, shall do anything touching the duties of such officer.

**14.060 Venue of suits against state departments and officials.** Any suit against any department, official, officer, commissioner, commission or board of the state, as such, or in virtue of such status, other than a suit for the causes enumerated in ORS 14.040, may be brought in the county wherein the cause of suit, or some part thereof, arose.

**14.070 Venue for annulment or dissolution of marriages, separation; Family and Elder Abuse Prevention Act proceedings.** Any of the following suits or proceedings shall be commenced and tried in a county in this state in which one of the parties to the suit or proceeding resides.

(1) A suit for the annulment or dissolution of the marriage contract, or for marital separation.

(2) A Family Abuse Prevention Act proceeding under ORS 107.700 to 107.732.

(3) An Elder Abuse Prevention Act proceeding under ORS 124.005 to 124.035. [Amended by 1987 c.331 §1; 1995 c.637 §10; 1995 c.666 §10]

**14.080 Venue for other actions; residence of corporations and partnerships.**

(1) All other actions shall be commenced in the county in which the defendants, or one of them, reside at the commencement of the action or in the county where the cause of action arose. A party resident of more than one county shall be deemed a resident of each such county. If none of the defendants reside in this state the action may be commenced in any county.

(2) For purposes of this section, a corporation incorporated under the laws of this state, a limited partnership or a foreign corporation authorized to do business in this state shall be deemed to be a resident of any county where the corporation or limited partnership conducts regular, sustained business activity or has an office for the transaction of business or where any agent authorized to receive process resides. A foreign corporation or foreign limited partnership not authorized to transact business in this state shall be deemed not to be a resident of any county in this state.

(3) For purposes of this section, a partnership or other unincorporated association subject to being sued in its own name shall be deemed a resident of any county where any person resides upon whom summons could be served for service upon the partnership or unincorporated association. [Amended by 1983 c.163 §1]