That section 118, G. S. 1913, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

Sec. 118. The supreme court shall consist of one chief justice and four associate justices, who shall hold one term of court each year, at the seat of government, commencing on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in January, with such continuations or adjournments thereof during the year as may be necessary for the dispatch of the business coming before the court. When the chief justice of said court shall be absent from the state, or shall be, for any reason, incapacitated from acting as such, the associate justice present within the state and not incapacitated who shall have served the longest time, or when there are two or more associate justices of equal terms of service, then the associate justice, whom the chief justice shall designate as senior associate justice as such, shall have and exercise all the powers, duties and functions of the chief justice during his absence or incapacity and shall be, during such absence or incapacity, the presiding justice of said court.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1919.

CHAPTER 97-S. F. No. 7.

An act to amend the last paragraph of Section (1) one of Chapter 66, General Laws, 1917, relating to appeals in civil and criminal actions, and the fees and charges in the supreme court thereon.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Minnesota:

Section 1. When fees are not to be charged.—That the last paragraph of section 1 of chapter 66 of the General Laws of 1917, be and the same is hereby amended so as to read as follows:

The charges provided for herein shall not apply to disbarment proceedings, nor to an action or proceeding by the state taken solely in the public interests, where the state is the appellant or moving party, nor to copies of the opinions of the court furnished by the clerk to the parties before judgment, or so furnished to the district judge whose decision is under review, or to such law library associations in counties having a population exceeding 50,000, as the court may direct.

Sec. 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Approved March 27, 1919.