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SEC. 3935. **District courts exclusive jurisdiction.**—The several district courts of this state shall hereafter have the exclusive right to change the name of any person, \* and to make such person the heir-at-law of any person, whose heir-at-law such applicant applied to be made,\* when applied to for those or either of those purposes, as hereinafter provided.

1872, ch. 35, § 1, as amended 1873, ch. 71: "An act to authorize the several district courts of this state to change the name of person or persons." Approved February 29, 1872. Amendment between \* \*.

SEC. 3936. **Application.**—Any person who shall have resided in any judicial district in this state for a period of not less than one year, may make application to the district court of such district to have his or her name changed. Such person shall appear personally before such court, (and in case of an infant, by such infant's guardian, adoptive parent, or next of kin,) with two witnesses and prove to the satisfaction of the court, that such person is the identical person he or she represents him or herself to be; and in case such applicant shall apply to be made the heir at law of any person, then such person whose heir at law such applicant applies to be made, shall appear as one of the witnesses and acknowledge that such application is made in good faith.

1872, ch. 35, § 2. Supersedes 1869, ch. 55.

SEC. 3937. **Same — Describe lands.**—All applications to the district court for a change of name, shall contain a description of all lands in this state which the applicant shall, at the time the application is made, own, have a lien upon or an interest in.

1887, ch. 177, § 1: "An act with reference to the change of names of persons." Approved March 7, 1887.

SEC. 3938. **Same — Prove ownership.**—Such applicant shall make proof before the court of his ownership of, lien upon and interest in such land, and the order of the court changing such name shall describe such lands, and state the estate or interest the applicant has or claims therein.

**Record order.**—And a certified copy of such order shall be recorded in the office of the register of deeds where such lands are situated, within thirty days after the order is made.

1887, ch. 177, § 2.

SEC. 3939. **Same — False statement.**—Any false statement contained in such application, made with intent to defraud, is hereby declared to be a misdemeanor, and shall be punishable as such.

1887, ch. 177, § 3.

SEC. 3940. **Decree.**—If it shall appear to such court that such change of name is necessary and proper, said court shall proceed to grant said application, and the clerk of said court shall enter a memorandum thereof on the record of said court, and also issue a certificate to the applicant, certifying to the fact; for which entry and certificate the clerk shall receive a fee of two dollars, to be paid by the person making the application. Such certificate shall be *prima facie* evidence of such change of name.

1872, ch. 35, § 3.