

## (B) JURISDICTION.

JURISDICTION IN A CASE OF DISTRESS FOR RENT IS VESTED EXCLUSIVELY IN THE DISTRICT COURT REGARDLESS OF THE AMOUNT OF RENT FOR WHICH DISTRESS IS BROUGHT, NOTWITHSTANDING ANY LIMITATION IMPOSED BY LAW ON THE CIVIL MONETARY JURISDICTION OF SUCH COURT.

## (C) LEASES AND TENANCY IS SUBJECT TO DISTRESS.

AN ACTION OF DISTRESS MAY BE BROUGHT ONLY FOR UNPAID RENT UNDER A WRITTEN LEASE FOR A TERM OF MORE THAN THREE MONTHS, OR UNDER A TENANCY AT WILL OR A PERIODIC TENANCY THAT HAS CONTINUED MORE THAN THREE MONTHS.

## (D) VENUE.

AN ACTION OF DISTRESS SHALL BE BROUGHT IN THE COUNTY ~~[IN WHICH]~~ WHERE THE LEASED PREMISES LIE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section presently appears as Art. 21, §8-302 of the Code. The only changes are in style.

## 8-303. FORM AND CONTENTS OF PETITION; SERVICE.

## (A) FORM AND CONTENTS.

AN ACTION OF DISTRESS SHALL BE BROUGHT BY THE LANDLORD AS PLAINTIFF, HIS PETITION SHALL NAME THE TENANT AS DEFENDANT AND CONTAIN THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

- (1) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE LANDLORD,
- (2) THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE TENANT, AND
- (3) THE FACTS RELATING TO (i) ANY ASSIGNMENT OF A LEASE, IF KNOWN, (ii) THE PREMISES LEASED, (iii) THE DATE OF THE LEASE, (iv) THE TERM OF THE LEASE, (v) THE RENT REQUIRED TO BE PAID BY THE LEASE, AND (vi) THE AMOUNT OF THE RENT IN ARREARS.

## (B) OATH OR AFFIRMATION.

THE PETITION SHALL BE UNDER OATH OR AFFIRMATION OF THE PLAINTIFF, OR HIS AGENT, THAT THE FACTS RECITED ARE TRUE AND CORRECT.

(C) SERVICE ON NONRESIDENT OR DEFENDANT NOT AMENABLE TO SERVICE.

IF A DEFENDANT IS NOT A RESIDENT OF, OR AMENABLE TO SERVICE IN A COUNTY WHERE THE LEASED PREMISES ARE LOCATED, SERVICE MAY BE MADE BY REGISTERED MAIL. IF THIS