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be true, the recommendation of the Legislative Committee would seem to offer the best solution with respect to disciplinary matters, and an acceptable method of procedure ought to be worked out along the line suggested by that Committee.

QUO WARRANTO TO TEST UNLAWFUL PRACTICE

There will be argued before the Supreme Court of Missouri, in April of this year, under proceedings in quo warranto, the question of the right of trust companies of that State to engage in the practice of law.

The charge, in brief, is that the named trust company "is and has long been engaged in the City of St. Louis and elsewhere in Missouri in the business of writing, drafting and preparing, for a valuable consideration, contracts for life insurance trusts in which it is named as trustee or executor, or both, creating trust estates out of funds to be collected at the death of the donor on life insurance policies carried on the donor's life, and giving legal advice and counsel, for a valuable consideration, to the donor of the trust as to the legal effect of the various clauses in the proposed trust agreement, the duties of the trustee thereunder and its liability for improper investment of trust funds; and as to the legal limit for the duration of such trusts . . . and in publicly advertising for and openly soliciting such business by its salaried agents and employes . . . preparing and drafting 'living trust agreements' . . . drafting and writing wills for its patrons and customers," etc.

The proceedings were commenced at the request of the St. Louis Bar Association, are being vigorously defended, and will be presented, it is expected, on a stipulated statement of facts.

PLAN OF STATE ORGANIZATIONS

Several states are considering re-organization of the bar association somewhat in the following form:

1. Division of state into zones.
2. The zone association to elect a zone or district president and other officers at least 10 days in advance of the annual state meeting.
3. The zone or district presidents to be ex-officio vice-presidents of the state association, and to constitute, together with the officers of the state association, the executive committee of the state association.

Other regulations and requirements, relating to fees, government of local associations, incorporation or voluntary association, appear as minor incidents. The main fact is that the latest proposals are following the lines adopted, tentatively, at the last annual meeting of our own association.

REVIEW OF NORTH DAKOTA DECISIONS

John v. Federal Life Insurance Co.: Defendant issued an accident policy to one Johnson. The principal sum of the policy was \$1000, with a double indemnity provision as follows, "If such injury is sustained: