

Rule 1006. Venue. Change of Venue

[(g) The Civil Procedural Rules Committee shall reexamine the 2022 rule amendments two years after their effective date.]

Comment: For a definition of transaction or occurrence, see *Craig v. W. J. Thiele & Sons, Inc.*, 149 A.2d 35 (Pa. 1959).

For the recusal of the judge for interest or prejudice under subdivision (d)(2), see Rule 2.11 of the Code of Judicial Conduct.

By Order of August 25, 2022, effective January 1, 2023 (“2022 amendments”), the Court rescinded Rule 1006(a.1), a special venue rule that applied to medical professional liability actions filed on or after January 1, 2002. Corresponding amendments removed references to Rule 1006(a.1) from Rule 2130, governing venue in an action against a partnership, Rule 2156, governing venue in an action against an unincorporated association, and Rule 2179, governing venue in an action against a corporation or similar entity. The 2022 amendments thus returned Rules 1006, 2130, 2156, and 2179 to their pre-2003 versions, pursuant to which medical professionals were governed by the same venue rules applicable to other non-governmental defendants.

The 2022 amendments added a provision to each rule requiring the Civil Procedural Rules Committee to “reexamine the 2022 rule amendments two years after their effective date.” Rules 1006(g), 2130(d), 2156(c), and 2179(c). The committee received commentary on behalf of medical professionals asserting that the impact of the 2022 amendments could not yet be determined, and that more time was needed to develop the necessary data. By Order of February 18, 2026, the Court amended Rules 1006, 2130, 2156, and 2179 to remove the expired reexamination provisions. The Court will consider any future proposals as submitted through the Court’s usual rules committee processes.

Rule 2130. Venue in an Action Against a Partnership

[(d) The Civil Procedural Rules Committee shall reexamine the 2022 rule amendments two years after their effective date.]

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Rule 2156. Venue in an Action Against an Unincorporated Association

[(c) The Civil Procedural Rules Committee shall reexamine the 2022 rule amendments two years after their effective date.]

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Rule 2179. Venue in an Action Against a Corporation or Similar Entity

[(c) The Civil Procedural Rules Committee shall reexamine the 2022 rule amendments two years after their effective date.]

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