



Ohio Revised Code

Section 1901.19 Jurisdictional powers.

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(A) Subject to the monetary jurisdiction of municipal courts as set forth in section 1901.17 of the Revised Code and the subject matter jurisdiction of municipal courts as set forth in section 1901.18 of the Revised Code, a municipal court and a housing or environmental division of a municipal court have jurisdiction within its territory to perform all of the following functions:

- (1) To compel attendance of witnesses in any pending action or proceeding in the same manner as the court of common pleas;
- (2) To issue executions on its own judgments;
- (3) In any legal or equitable action or proceeding, to enforce the collection of its own judgments;
- (4) To issue and enforce any order of attachment;
- (5) In any action or proceeding in the nature of creditors' bills, and in aid of execution, to subject the interest of a judgment debtor in personal property to the payment of a judgment of the court;
- (6) To issue and enforce temporary protection orders pursuant to section 2919.26 of the Revised Code and protection orders pursuant to section 2903.213 of the Revised Code and to enforce protection orders issued by courts of another state, as defined in section 2919.27 of the Revised Code.

(B) Subject to the limitation set forth in this division, a municipal court or a housing or environmental division of a municipal court has jurisdiction outside its territory in a proceeding in aid of execution to subject to the payment of the judgment the interest in personal property of a judgment debtor under a judgment rendered by the court or division. The jurisdiction provided in this division includes the county or counties in which the territory of the court or division in question is situated and any county that is contiguous to that in which the court or division is located. A court or



division that has jurisdiction under this division outside its territory in a proceeding in aid of execution has the same powers, duties, and functions relative to the proceeding that it has relative to proceedings in aid of execution over which it has jurisdiction other than under this division.

(C)(1) In any proceeding in garnishment of personal earnings brought in a municipal court, the court has jurisdiction to serve process pursuant to section 2716.05 of the Revised Code upon a garnishee who does not reside within the territory of the court.

(2) In any proceeding in garnishment of property, other than personal earnings, brought in a municipal court under section 2716.11 of the Revised Code, the court has jurisdiction to serve process pursuant to section 2716.13 of the Revised Code upon a garnishee who does not reside within the territory of the court.

(3) Whenever a motion for attachment is filed in a municipal court under section 2715.03 of the Revised Code, the court has jurisdiction to serve process pursuant to section 2715.091 of the Revised Code upon a garnishee who resides in a county contiguous to that in which the court is located.

(D) The municipal court of Cleveland also has jurisdiction in all actions and proceedings in the nature of creditors' bills, and in aid of execution to subject the interests of a judgment debtor in real or personal property to the payment of a judgment of the court. In those actions and proceedings, the court may proceed to marshal and foreclose all liens on the property irrespective of the amount of the lien, and all vested or contingent rights in the property.