

## **5.00 Jurisdiction of Subject Matters and Monetary Damages**

**5.01 Jurisdiction.** Small claims actions are governed by G.L. § 10-16-1, et seq., and the jurisdictional limit for the amount of monetary judgments is established therein. These provisions shall be strictly enforced, and when a small claims matter contains several causes of action, some of which are based on negligence or other torts, then the presumption shall be that the entire claim should be dismissed without prejudice so that all causes of action may be heard at once in the proper forum. Debt on judgment actions cannot not be filed as a small claims action.