§ 2. Jurisdiction of proceedings. The term "judge" when used in this article shall apply equally to a county judge of the county within which the assignment is recorded and to justices of the supreme court, and the term "court" when used in this article shall, in like manner, apply to the county court of such county and to the supreme court. All applications hereunder made in the supreme court shall be made to the court, or a justice thereof within the judicial district where the assignment is recorded, and all proceedings and hearings under this article had in the supreme court upon the return of a citation or order shall be had at a special term of said court held in the county where the debtor resided at the time of the assignment, or in case of an assignment by copartners, in the county where the principal place of business of such copartners was at the time of such assignment, or in the case of an assignment by a corporation in the county where the principal office of such corporation was at the time of such assignment.