

CHAP. 243.

CHAPTER 243.

Passed Mar 22, 1836 *An act to incorporate the subscribers to an association for the encouragement of the fine arts, and for other purposes.*

Persons incorporated

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That William Lorman, Hugh Birchhead, John Hoffman, George Williams, Jonathan Meredith, Benjamin J. Cohen, Charles Tiernan, Nathaniel Williams, George C. Morton, Joseph White, John Glenn, Josias Pennington, John P. Kennedy, William G. Harrison, Gustar W. Lurman, Gorham Brooks, Robert A. Taylor, Columbus O'Donnell, John B. Howell, William Crawford, David McKim, their associates, successors and assigns, be and they are hereby created a corporation and body politic, by the name and style of the Baltimore association for the encouragement of literature and the fine arts, and by that name may have perpetual succession, and shall be able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, implead and be impleaded, answer and be answered, in any court of law or equity; and to make and use a common seal, and the same to change and alter at pleasure; and to ordain and establish such ordinances, by-laws, and regulations, as shall be necessary or convenient for conducting the affairs of the corporation, and not repugnant to law.*

Powers granted

Objects stated

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted, That the objects of the said corporation are declared to be the encouragement of literature and of the fine arts, and the holding and fitting up of accommodations for the exhibition of proceedings of the arts, and for amusements, for which purpose they are hereby authorised to purchase and hold lands and tenements, in fee simple or otherwise, not exceeding in value at one time, one hundred thousand dollars: The capital of said corporation may amount to one hundred thousand dollars, and the shares therein shall be one hundred dollars each; but the payment of ten thousand dollars shall entitle it to go into operation.*

Capital stock, &c.