

General or prosecuting attorney for the State to cause a summons or notice to be directed to the said corporation, joint stock company or association, in its corporate name; to appear at the said court to answer to such indictment or information, and such process may be served in the same manner as provided for service of process in civil suits mentioned in sections numbered 411 and 412 of Article 23 of Poe's Code of Public General Laws of 1904, entitled "Corporations," sub-title "Process."<sup>1</sup>

This section recognizes the existence of unincorporated joint stock companies or associations doing business in Maryland. The status of real estate held by trustees of Adams Express Company. *Rifon Realty Corporation v. Adams Land, etc., Co.*, 128 Md. 662.

*Re.* process against corporations in civil suits, see art. 23, secs. 109, 111 and 119.

Cited but not construed in *Ex parte* General News Bureau, 162 Md. 647.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 728. 1912, sec. 729. 1906, ch. 403.

**816.** When the sheriff or other officer shall return such summons or notice "summoned" or "served" the said corporation, joint stock company or association shall be considered as in court and as appearing to said indictment or information; and the court shall order the clerk to enter an appearance for said corporation, joint stock company or association, and indorse the plea of not guilty on said indictment or information, and further proceedings may then be had thereon, in the same manner as if the said corporation, joint stock company or association had appeared and pleaded not guilty; and if the said corporation, joint stock company or association shall be convicted on said indictment or information, the said court may proceed to pass judgment thereon and cause process of execution to be issued to the sheriff of the county against the goods and chattels, or land and tenements of the said corporation, joint stock company or association for the amount of the fine and costs which may be awarded against them, in the same manner as on a judgment in a civil action; and the said sheriff shall proceed to sell the goods and chattels or lands and tenements of the said corporation joint stock company or association, on the said execution in the same manner as on executions issued in a civil suit.

Cited but not construed in *Ex parte* General News Bureau, 162 Md. 647.

<sup>1</sup> See art. 23, secs. 119.