

An. Code, 1924, sec. 279. 1912, sec. 344. 1904, sec. 306. 1888, sec. 210. 1868, ch. 471, sec. 162.

280. At the first election or appointment of every body politic or corporate aforesaid, every church, society or corporation assembled as already directed, shall determine on their plan, agreement or regulation, specifying distinctly the time and manner of electing trustees, and the manner in which the succession shall be perpetuated, and containing an exact description of the qualifications of the persons severally electing and elected, and to elect and to be elected thereafter, and also the name, style or title of the corporation by which it shall thereafter be known, and the name of the church, society or congregation choosing the same.

See notes to sec. 275.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 280. 1912, sec. 345. 1904, sec. 307. 1888, sec. 211. 1868, ch. 471, sec. 163. 1892, ch. 664.

281. The said plan, agreement or regulation shall be entered in the book hereinafter required by section 284 to be kept by every such corporation, and the same shall be acknowledged by the trustees, or a majority of them, before a justice of the peace, a notary public, or a judge of the circuit court in the counties, or a judge of the supreme bench of Baltimore City; and such justice, notary, or judge shall append to said instrument a certificate of such acknowledgment, and in all cases where through inadvertence or mistake such plan, agreement, or regulation has been heretofore acknowledged before one justice of the peace instead of two, such acknowledgment shall be and is hereby made, to all intents and purposes, good and sufficient for the incorporation of the church, society or congregation named therein.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 281. 1912, sec. 346. 1904, sec. 308. 1888, sec. 212. 1868, ch. 471, sec. 164.

282. The plan or agreement, so acknowledged and certified, shall be filed by the said trustees with the clerk of the circuit court for the county where the said church, society or congregation, or the greater part of the members thereof reside, or the clerk of the superior court of Baltimore City, if they or the greater part of the members reside in the city of Baltimore, within six months after such acknowledgment shall be made; and the same shall be recorded at the expense of the corporation, in a book to be kept for that special purpose.

See notes to sec. 275.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 282. 1912, sec. 347. 1904, sec. 309. 1888, sec. 213. 1868, ch. 471, sec. 165.

283. If any change shall be made in the original plan, by authority of the congregation, such change shall, in the same manner, be acknowledged and recorded.

An. Code, 1924, sec. 283. 1912, sec. 348. 1904, sec. 310. 1888, sec. 214. 1868, ch. 471, sec. 166.

284. Every such corporation may appoint the times and places of the meeting of its members, and the number necessary to constitute a quorum, and shall provide and keep a good and sufficient record book, and cause therein to be registered all its proceedings, subject at all times to the inspection of the several members of the church, society or congregation; and the