

1888, art. 35, sec. 45. 1860, art. 37, sec. 44. 1888, ch. 392.

50. In cases where there are two or more plaintiffs any affidavits required under the preceding sections to be made by the party bringing suit or by the creditor may be made by any one of the plaintiffs, or if all the plaintiffs be absent from the State at the time of the bringing of the suit, or if the plaintiff be a corporation, such affidavit may be made by any agent of the plaintiff or plaintiffs, or any of them, who will make further oath that he is such agent and that he has personal knowledge of the matters therein stated; such affidavit, if made on behalf of any firm or copartnership, shall be *prima facie* evidence of said partnership and of the persons composing the same as therein set forth, or if made on behalf of any body corporate by any person therein alleging himself to be a charter officer thereof shall be *prima facie* evidence of the fact of its corporation as therein set forth.

Ibid. sec. 46. 1860, art. 37, sec. 45. 1785, ch 46, sec. 6.

51. Nothing contained in this article shall preclude any debtor or defendant from controverting any proof offered in pursuance of the provisions thereof by any testimony which is legal and admissible by the rules of the common law, or prevent any creditor or plaintiff from giving any evidence admissible by the rules of the common law in support of his claim; or pursuing any legal mode other than herein prescribed to prove and establish his claim or demand.

Public Statutes and Office Copies and Official Certificates.

Ibid. sec. 47. 1860, art. 37, sec. 46. 1829, ch. 219.

52. The private laws and resolutions published by the authority of this State may be read in evidence from the printed statute book.

Ibid. sec. 48. 1860, art. 37, sec. 47. 1845, ch. 89. 1849, ch. 38.
1898, ch. 342.

53. The public or private statutes of the United States or of any State or territory of the United States or of the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland may be read in evidence from any printed volume purporting to contain the statutes of the said United States, State or territory of the united kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland; and the said printed volume shall in all cases be received as evidence of said statutes without any further authentication or proof thereof.

Eastwood v. Kennedy, 44 Md. 563. *Harryman v. Schryver*, 52 Md. 76.