

business, shall have the right to maintain a suit or action in any court having jurisdiction against such person or persons, or in the name, title or designation under which said business is being conducted, and process in such suit or action when served upon such person or persons so doing business and in charge thereof, shall entitle such creditor, upon legal proof of the claim of such creditor, to a judgment, and all of the goods, merchandise, fixtures, machinery, chattels or other property possessed, used or acquired in the said business shall be liable to seizure and sale under execution in satisfaction of such judgment and costs; and any such person who shall knowingly and willfully execute and file any false certificate shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction shall be punished by a fine not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment for a term of not more than one year, or both, in the discretion of the court.

Article – Corporations and Associations

1-406.

(A) ANY PERSON ENGAGED IN ANY MERCANTILE, TRADING, OR MANUFACTURING BUSINESS AS AN AGENT OR DOING BUSINESS OR TRADING UNDER ANY DESIGNATION, TITLE, OR NAME OTHER THAN THE PERSON'S OWN NAME, PRIOR TO COMMENCING OPERATION OF THE BUSINESS, SHALL FILE WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION A CERTIFICATE:

- (1) IN WRITING;
- (2) AFFIRMED OR ACKNOWLEDGED UNDER OATH; AND
- (3) DISCLOSING:

(I) THE TRUE AND CORRECT NAMES AND ADDRESSES OF THE PRINCIPAL OR OWNER OF THE BUSINESS;

(II) THE CHARACTER AND LOCATION OF THE BUSINESS;

AND

(III) THE NAME, TITLE, OR DESIGNATION UNDER WHICH THE BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED.

(B) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE NAME, TITLE, OR DESIGNATION UNDER WHICH A BUSINESS IS CONDUCTED MAY NOT BE THE SAME AS OR MISLEADINGLY SIMILAR TO:

(I) THE NAME OF ANY MARYLAND CORPORATION OR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP;

(II) THE NAME OF ANY FOREIGN CORPORATION OR LIMITED PARTNERSHIP REGISTERED OR QUALIFIED TO DO BUSINESS IN THE STATE; OR

(III) ANY NAME WHICH IS RECORDED UNDER THIS