

*A supplement to the act of eighteen hundred and thirty-two, chapter three hundred and six, entitled, an act to regulate proceedings against corporations.* Passed Mar. 8, 1850.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That whenever a scire facias, in the name of the State of Maryland, shall issue out of any court of this State, against a body corporate, to shew cause why the charter and corporate powers and franchises thereof, should not be vacated and annulled, the said corporate body shall, upon service of the writ, be required to plead thereto by the fourth day of the term to which said writ is returnable, and the cause shall be heard, tried and determined by the court at that term, unless cause of continuance be shewn.

When a scire facias is issued against a corporation, etc.

SEC. 2. *And be it enacted,* That whenever an appeal in any such cause shall be taken, it shall be incumbent upon the Court of Appeals, at the first term to which the record shall be transmitted, to hear, try and determine the cause, in preference to all other causes there pending, except writs of error upon criminal prosecution, unless cause of continuance be shewn.

When appeal is taken

SEC. 3. *And be it enacted,* That upon the rendition of judgment in any such cause in favor of the State, a writ of seizure may be issued out of the court rendering judgment in the premises, directed to the Sheriff of the county, city or district in which judgment shall be rendered, commanding him to seize the powers, liberties and franchises, lands and tenements, goods and chattels, rights and credits of the said corporate body, to the use of the State of Maryland, and where the said corporate body may have, own or possess lands or tenements, goods or chattels, rights or credits, in any other county than that where judgment is rendered, like writs of seizure, may be issued to the Sheriffs of such counties from said court.

If judgment be against corporation

SEC. 4. *And be it enacted,* That the Sheriff by whom any such writ of seizure may be served, shall deliver over to whomsoever shall by appointment of the General Assembly, which authorises the institution of the scire facias, be authorised to receive the same, the liberties, powers and franchises, lands and tenements, goods and chattels, rights and credits by him seized under such writ of seizure.

Duty of the sheriff