corporation, joint stock company or association [incorporated under its laws, or laws against any corporation not incorporated under its laws, but deemed to hold and exercise franchises herein, or any joint stock company or association doing business in this State, or indictment found or information filed by any State's attorney in the State for violation of any State-wide or local laws, it shall and may be lawful for [the Attorney General or prosecuting attorney for the State, or any State's attorney to cause] the Clerk of Court to issue 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 Rule 106 of the Maryland Rules of Procedure and in § 96 of Article 23 of this Code, as amended from time to time.

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When the sheriff or other officer shall return such summons as [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.

SEC. 10. And be it further enacted, That Section 1 of Article 42 of the Code, title "Habeas Corpus", sub-title "Jurisdiction and Procedure", be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

1.

[The Court of Appeals and the Chief Judge thereof shall have the power to grant the writ of habeas corpus, and to exercise jurisdiction in all matters relating thereto throughout the whole State. The Any judge of the circuit courts for the respective counties of this State, [and the several judges thereof, out of court, the Superior Court] or of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City [, the Court of Common Pleas of said city, the Circuit Court and Circuit Court No. 2 of Baltimore City, and the Baltimore City Court, and the judges of said several courts, out of court, and any [the] Judge of the Court of Appeals [from the City of Baltimore,] shall have the power to grant the writ of habeas corpus, and to exercise jurisdiction in all matters pertaining thereto.