## PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCHES (EXCERPT) Act 40 of 1899

## 458.262 Reorganization and incorporation under act, procedure; officers.

Sec. 12. Any Protestant Episcopal church, heretofore organized under any other general law than those mentioned in the last preceding section, may reorganize so as to become subject to the provisions of this act. The wardens and vestry members, de jure or de facto, of such church, or a majority of them, are hereby authorized by their names of office to execute, acknowledge and file 1 or more articles of agreement, as provided in sections 1, 2 and 3 of this act, which articles shall, in addition to the requisites in said last mentioned sections provided, set forth that they are executed for the purpose of reorganizing such church according to the provisions of this act; and such articles shall be deemed sufficient, when so executed and acknowledged, although the number of signers shall be less than 6, if consisting of a majority of such wardens and vestry members. Upon the execution and filing of said articles, such church shall, without further action, be deemed to all intents and purposes to be reorganized and a corporation under this act, and all rights of property and of contract shall remain unimpaired, and the corporate identity of such church shall continue unchanged.

The wardens and vestry members in office shall continue in office until the annual election in Easter week next following such reorganization, and until their successors shall be chosen; and no other meeting or notice shall be necessary to complete such reorganization.

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