

CHAPTER 315

RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS

315.01 FORMATION; TRUSTEES; ELECTION, APPOINTMENT, DESIGNATION.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 4, 5, 7, 8, 25; R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 1; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 18, 19, 21, 22, 39, 40; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 68 to 71, 88, 89; 1877 c. 21 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 209 to 212, 229, 230; 1881 c. 36 ss. 1, 2; G.S. 1894 ss. 3022 to 3025, 3043, 3044; R.L. 1905 ss. 3133, 3141, 3143; G.S. 1913 ss. 6592, 6601, 6603; 1919 c. 122 s. 1; G.S. 1923 ss. 7963, 7972, 7974; M.S. 1927 ss. 7963, 7972, 7974.

Incorporated as a religious corporation. *Goldschmidt v Trustees*, 25 M 202; *Lane v Eaton*, 69 M 141, 71 NW 1031; *Norwegian Evangelical v U.S. Fidelity*, 81 M 32, 83 NW 487; *Norwegian Evangelical v U.S. Fidelity*, 83 M 269, 86 NW 330.

A religious congregation, incorporated as a religious corporation, pursuant to a vote of more than two-thirds of its members, adopted and filed new articles, merely making a change in name. This did not make any break in its continuity or identity as a congregation so as to prevent its holding as a corporation the property previously acquired by it. *Meyer v Trustees*, 37 M 241, 35 NW 260.

A corporation de facto, at least where there is a law under which a corporation may be formed for such purposes, is capable of taking and holding property as grantee, and conveyances to it will be valid as to all the world, except the state in direct proceedings to inquire into its right to exercise corporate franchises. *Trustees v Froislie*, 37 M 447, 35 NW 260.

A religious corporation must be governed by the same equitable doctrines as to ratifications, acquiescence and estoppel as a private civil corporation. The members of such a society may approve and ratify the unauthorized acts of a so-called "building committee" to which has been confided certain duties in reference to a church building in course of erection. *Norwegian Evangelical v U.S. Fidelity*, 81 M 32, 83 NW 487.

In the construction of the church building certain additional costs to the amount of \$300.00 were incurred, which were not demanded by the owner of the building and, under the facts disclosed, did not constitute such a change or alteration as relieved the surety company from the obligations of its bond. *Norwegian Evangelical v U.S. Fidelity*, 83 M 269, 86 NW 330.

To create a de facto corporation, there must be a law under which such corporation may lawfully be created; a colorable and bona fide attempt to organize a corporation thereunder; and the exercise of corporate functions by the organization so formed. *Mabel v Cadwallader*, 172 M 471, 215 NW 845.

The evidence sustains the finding that defendant's officers were negligent and their negligence was the proximate cause of plaintiff's injury. Churches, like other charitable institutions, are liable for the negligence of their officers and employees. *Geiger v Simpson M. E. Church*, 174 M 389, 219 NW 463.

Where the contract is within the power of the corporation, a corporation may contract or ratify the contract after it is made by a vote of its members in regular assembly; or by vote of its trustees having authority; or through agents duly authorized by vote of either the religious assembly or the board of trustees. *Parker College v Minn. Annual Conference*, 182 M 501, 235 NW 12.

The laws, regulations and practices of a general church organization control where the by-laws of the local church are inconsistent with those of the general church; and final judgments and decisions of the governing authority of the general church organization control so far as they relate exclusively to church affairs and church government. *Russian-Serbian Church v Kulik*, 202 M 560, 279 NW 364.

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315.02 CERTIFICATE OF ELECTION OF TRUSTEES.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 s. 25; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 39; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 88; 1877 c. 21 s. 1; G.S. 1878 s. 229; 1881 c. 36 ss. 1, 2; G.S. 1894 s. 3043; R.L. 1905 s. 3142; G.S. 1913 s. 6602; G.S. 1923 s. 7973; M.S. 1927 s. 7973.

315.03 CERTIFICATE RECORDED, WHERE.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 8 to 10; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 22 to 24; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 72 to 74; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 213 to 215; G.S. 1894 ss. 3026 to 3028; R.L. 1905 s. 3134; G.S. 1913 s. 6594; G.S. 1923 s. 7965; M.S. 1927 s. 7965; 1937 c. 252 s. 1.

Plaintiff executed a deed to a lot to certain persons described as "trustees of M. E. Church in trust, etc." The members took possession under the deed and proceeded to erect a building thereon, in which the plaintiff acquiesced. In this action he seeks to restrain those who represent the religious organization from removing the building from the lot. No title passed by the lot. The trust declared, and sought to be created, is general and indefinite in its character and may be denominated a "charitable use." Such trusts are not recognized by the statutes of Minnesota but are abolished. *Little v Willford*, 31 M 173, 17 NW 282; *Lane v Eaton*, 69 M 141, 71 NW 1031.

315.04 TRUSTEES, POWERS.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 8 to 10; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 22 to 24; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 72 to 74; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 213 to 215; G.S. 1894 ss. 3026 to 3028; R.L. 1905 s. 3134; G.S. 1913 s. 6594; G.S. 1923 s. 7965; M.S. 1927 s. 7965; 1937 c. 252 s. 1.

See annotations under section 315.03.

315.05 TRUSTEES ERECT AND REPAIR CHURCHES AND OTHER BUILDINGS, GENERALLY MANAGE TEMPORAL POWERS.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 11 to 13, 18 to 21; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 25 to 27, 32 to 35; 1865 c. 56 ss. 1, 2; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 75 to 77, 82 to 84; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 216 to 218, 223 to 225; G.S. 1894 ss. 3029 to 3031, 3035 to 3037; R.L. 1905 ss. 3135, 3137; G.S. 1913 ss. 6595, 6597; G.S. 1923 ss. 7966, 7968; M.S. 1927 ss. 7966, 7968; 1937 c. 252 s. 2.

According to the discipline of the Presbyterian church, the call of the congregation for the services of a pastor are subject to the decision of the presbytery, and the regular pastoral relation is constituted after due acceptance of the call by the candidate, and there is no civil contract until all of these jurisdictional proceedings have been effected. The sole authority to fix the salary is vested in the congregation. *West v First Presb. Church*, 41 M 94, 42 NW 922.

A religious corporation is governed by the same equitable doctrines as to ratification, acquiescence, and estoppel as a private civil corporation; and the members of such a society may legally ratify the unauthorized acts of a building committee. *Norwegian Evangelical v U.S. Fidelity*, 81 M 32, 83 NW 487.

315.06 TRUSTEES, TERMS, ELECTION; QUORUM.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 14 to 16; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 28 to 30; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 78 to 80; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 219 to 221; 1881 c. 36 ss. 1, 2; G.S. 1894 ss. 3032 to 3034; R.L. 1905 s. 3136; G.S. 1913 s. 6596; G.S. 1923 s. 7967; M.S. 1927 s. 7967.

A religious society granted to its board of trustees certain powers as to management and government of its affairs. This did not deprive the members, when assembled in regular meeting, of the power to make contracts. *Parker College v Minn. Annual Conference*, 182 M 501, 235 NW 12.

On respondents' motion, the court properly vacated an ex parte order issuing a writ of quo warranto directing respondents to show by what warrant they claim the right to act as trustees of a named religious corporation organized under the laws of this state. *Dollenmayer v Ryder*, 205 M 207, 286 NW 297.

315.07 VOTERS, QUALIFICATIONS.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 ss. 18 to 21; P.S. 1858 c. 17 ss. 32 to 35; 1865 c. 56 ss. 1, 2; G.S. 1866 c. 34 ss. 82 to 84; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 223 to 225; G.S. 1894 ss.

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3035 to 3037; R.L. 1905 s. 3137; G.S. 1913 s. 6597; G.S. 1923 s. 7968; M.S. 1927 s. 7968.

See annotations under section 315.05.

315.08 DEFINITIONS.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 s. 22; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 36; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 85; 1867 c. 17 s. 1; 1872 c. 54 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 226; 1889 c. 223 s. 1; 1893 c. 81 s. 1; G.S. 1894 s. 3038; R.L. 1905 s. 3138; G.S. 1913 s. 6598; G.S. 1923 s. 7969; M.S. 1927 s. 7969.

Two deeds purported to be executed by the plaintiff to defendant were executed without authority and were a fraud upon plaintiff and its members. *First M.E. Church v White Bear*, 126 M 282, 148 NW 271.

Defendant church corporation was formed to maintain a church adherent to the orthodox doctrine of the Swedish Evangelical Church. The Society of Mission Friends reject many of these doctrines. The individual defendants, although members of the defendant church, are adherents of the Society of Mission Friends. The finding of the court that they wrongfully excluded from the church a regularly called pastor of the Lutheran faith, is sustained. *Lindstrom v Tell*, 131 M 203, 154 NW 969.

While members who secede from a religious society forfeit their rights, the court has power to make an equitable division of the property when its members separate by mutual consent, owing to an honest difference of opinion, and both parties still adhere to the doctrines of the church and agree upon an attempt to make a division of property. *Lost River v Thoen*, 149 M 379, 183 NW 954.

The will of the testatrix discloses an intention that the religious corporation representing her faith should dispose of the bulk of her property for benevolent and religious purposes, in accordance with the practice of such corporations; and should also have custody and control of the burial plot where testatrix and her father were interred. This devise must be construed as absolute to the corporation and not in trust, although words importing the trust are used in the will. *Little v Universalist Convention*, 143 M 298, 173 NW 659.

Charitable trusts in Minnesota. 1 MLR 219.

315.09 GENERAL POWERS OF RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 2; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 41; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 90; 1876 c. 34 s. 1; 1877 c. 81 s. 6; 1878 c. 15 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 231; 1879 c. 2 s. 1; Ex. 1881 c. 18 s. 1; 1883 c. 41; 1887 c. 27; G.S. 1894 s. 3045; R.L. 1905 s. 3162; G.S. 1913 s. 6622; G.S. 1923 s. 8001; M.S. 1927 s. 8001.

315.10 POWERS OF CERTAIN CORPORATIONS.

HISTORY. 1907 c. 60 s. 1; G.S. 1913 s. 6593; G.S. 1923 s. 7964; M.S. 1927 s. 7964.

A religious society granted to its board of trustees certain powers as to management and government of its affairs. This did not deprive the members, when assembled in regular meeting, of the power to make contracts. *Parker College v Minn. Annual Conference*, 182 M 501, 235 NW 12.

315.11 LIMITATION OF RIGHT TO HOLD PROPERTY.

HISTORY. 1885 c. 151 s. 7; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 s. 231i; 1893 c. 103 s. 1; G.S. 1894 s. 3069; R.L. 1905 s. 3163; G.S. 1913 s. 6623; G.S. 1923 s. 8002; M.S. 1927 s. 8002.

315.12 SALE OR ENCUMBRANCE OF REAL ESTATE.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 s. 22; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 36; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 85; 1867 c. 17 s. 1; 1872 c. 54 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 226; 1889 c. 223 s. 1; 1893 c. 81 s. 1; G.S. 1894 s. 3038; R.L. 1905 s. 3138; G.S. 1913 s. 6598; G.S. 1923 s. 7969; 1925 c. 194 s. 1; M.S. 1927 s. 7969.

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315.13 EXISTING SOCIETIES CONFIRMED; REORGANIZATION.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 s. 23; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 37; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 86; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 227; G.S. 1894 s. 3039; R.L. 1905 s. 3139; G.S. 1913 s. 6599; G.S. 1923 s. 7970; M.S. 1927 s. 7970.

A religious congregation, incorporated as a religious corporation, pursuant to a vote of more than two-thirds of its members, adopted and filed new articles, merely making a change in name. This did not make any break in its continuity or identity as a congregation so as to prevent its holding as a corporation the property previously acquired by it. *Meyer v Trustees*, 37 M 241, 35 NW 260.

315.14 LANDS HELD IN TRUST.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 36 s. 24; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 38; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 87; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 228; G.S. 1894 s. 3040; R.L. 1905 c. 3140; G.S. 1913 s. 6600; G.S. 1923 s. 7971; M.S. 1927 s. 7971.

Testator devised property to the St. Paul branch of the Salvation Army, the proceeds to be invested in the purchase of a lot and the erection thereon of a place of worship. The Salvation Army is an unincorporated religious society, having its headquarters in Great Britain, and while its officers have military titles, their duties correspond to those of bishops, pastors and elders of other churches. The beneficiary of a trust must be certain, or capable of being rendered certain, and no unincorporated voluntary association or branch thereof whose membership is fluctuating and uncertain can be such beneficiary. But, such branch may incorporate, and if it does so within a reasonable time, the instant devise will, under the provisions of the statutes, vest in the corporation so formed. *Lane v Eaton*, 69 M 141, 71 NW 1031.

The law against suspending the power of alienation is hardly applicable to the plot of ground wherein rest the deceased testatrix and her father; at least the space actually occupied by the graves is not a matter of barter and sale. *Little v Universalist Convention*, 143 M 302, 173 NW 659.

The title to the property of former societies when merged, vests in the consolidated corporation. *Mabel v Cadwallader*, 172 M 471, 215 NW 845.

Charitable trusts. 14 MLR 589.

315.15 PARISH CORPORATIONS, ORGANIZATION.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 2; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 41; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 90; 1876 c. 34 s. 1; 1877 c. 81 s. 6; 1878 c. 15 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 231; 1879 c. 2 s. 1; Ex. 1881 c. 18 s. 1; 1883 c. 41; 1887 c. 27; G.S. 1894 s. 3045; R.L. 1905 s. 3144; G.S. 1913 s. 6604; G.S. 1923 s. 7975; M.S. 1923 s. 7975.

315.16 DIOCESAN CORPORATIONS; FORMATION.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 2; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 41; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 90; 1876 c. 34 s. 1; 1877 c. 81 s. 6; 1878 c. 15 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 231; 1879 c. 2 s. 1; Ex. 1881 c. 18 s. 1; 1883 c. 41; 1887 c. 27; G.S. 1894 s. 3045; R.L. 1905 s. 3145; G.S. 1913 s. 6605; G.S. 1923 s. 7976; M.S. 1927 s. 7976.

315.17 PARISH OF PROTESTANT EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

HISTORY. 1877 c. 81 ss. 1 to 3; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 233 to 235; 1893 c. 111 s. 1; G.S. 1894 ss. 3049 to 3051; R.L. 1905 ss. 3146, 3147; G.S. 1913 ss. 6606, 6607; 1921 c. 255 s. 1; G.S. 1923 ss. 7977, 7978; M.S. 1927 s. 7977, 7978.

315.18 ANNUAL MEETING; VESTRY, ELECTION, MEETINGS.

HISTORY. 1877 c. 81 ss. 4, 5, 7; G.S. 1878 c. 34 ss. 236 to 238; G.S. 1894 ss. 3052 to 3054; R.L. 1905 ss. 3148, 3149; 1907 c. 18; G.S. 1913 ss. 6608, 6609; G.S. 1923 ss. 7979, 7981; M.S. 1927 ss. 7979, 7981.

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315.19 ARTICLES AMENDED.

HISTORY. 1923 c. 369 s. 1; G.S. 1923 s. 7980; M.S. 1927 s. 7980.

315.20 CATHEDRALS.

HISTORY. 1915 c. 46 ss. 1 to 3; G.S. 1923 ss. 7982 to 7984; M.S. 1927 s. 7982 to 7984.

315.21 INCORPORATION.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 2; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 41; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 90; 1876 c. 34 s. 1; 1877 c. 81 s. 6; 1878 c. 15 s. 1; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 231; 1879 c. 2 s. 1; Ex. 1881 c. 18 s. 1; 1883 c. 41; 1887 c. 27; 1889 c. 229 s. 1; G.S. 1894 ss. 3045, 3055; R.L. 1905 s. 3150; G.S. 1913 s. 6610; G.S. 1923 s. 7985; M.S. 1927 s. 7985.

There must be an attempt to create a corporation de jure or there can be no corporation de facto. *Mabel v Cadwallader*, 172 M 476, 215 NW 845.

315.22 EXISTING CHURCHES MAY INCORPORATE; REINCORPORATION; PROPERTY TO VEST.

HISTORY. R.S. 1851 c. 37 s. 3; P.S. 1858 c. 17 s. 42; G.S. 1866 c. 34 s. 91; G.S. 1878 c. 34 s. 232; 1889 c. 229 ss. 2, 6; G.S. 1894 ss. 3048, 3056, 3060; R.L. 1905 s. 3151; G.S. 1913 s. 6611; G.S. 1923 s. 7986; M.S. 1927 s. 7986.

See annotations under section 315.14.

315.23 INCORPORATION OF DIOCESAN COUNCIL, SYNOD, PRESBYTERY, CONFERENCE, ASSOCIATION, CONSOCIATION, OR SIMILAR ORGANIZATIONS.

HISTORY. 1885 c. 151 ss. 1 to 4; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 ss. 231c, 231d, 231e, 231f; G.S. 1894 ss. 3062 to 3065; R.L. 1905 ss. 3152, 3153; G.S. 1913 ss. 6612, 6613; G.S. 1923 s. 7987, 7988; M.S. 1927 ss. 7987, 7988.

Formation of religious corporation by diocesan council, synod or conference. *State ex rel v Oftedal*, 72 M 498, 75 NW 692; *Parker College v Annual Conference*, 182 M 501, 235 NW 12.

315.24 SPECIAL POWERS.

HISTORY. 1885 c. 151 ss. 5, 6; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 ss. 231g, 231h; G.S. 1894 ss. 3067, 3068; R.L. 1905 s. 3154; G.S. 1913 s. 6614; G.S. 1923 s. 7989; M.S. 1927 s. 7989.

315.25 ANNUAL MEETING, NOTICE OF, PLACE.

HISTORY. 1885 c. 151 s. 7; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 s. 231i; 1893 c. 103 s. 1; G.S. 1894 s. 3069; R.L. 1905 s. 3155; G.S. 1913 s. 6615; G.S. 1923 s. 7990; M.S. 1927 s. 7990.

315.26 CONSOLIDATION OF PARISHES, CONGREGATIONS, OR CHURCHES.

HISTORY. 1917 c. 107 s. 1; G.S. 1923 s. 7991; M.S. 1927 s. 7991.

315.27 PROCEDURE FOR INCORPORATION.

HISTORY. 1917 c. 107 s. 2; G.S. 1923 s. 7992; M.S. 1927 s. 7992.

315.28 PRIVILEGES.

HISTORY. 1917 c. 107 s. 3; G.S. 1923 s. 7993; M.S. 1927 s. 7993.

315.29 RIGHT TO HOLD PROPERTY.

HISTORY. 1917 c. 107 s. 4; G.S. 1923 s. 7994; M.S. 1927 s. 7994.

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Courts will not interfere in matters of doctrine and in matters not of doctrine or of faith but relating to the conduct of the temporal affairs of a congregation and the disposition of its property for church purposes, the courts will not interfere with a legal majority, unless it is clearly shown that such action is unlawful and contrary to the constitution of the congregation or the synodical body with which it is affiliated. *Spenningsby v Norwegian Evangelical Luth. Congregation*, 152 M 164, 188 NW 217.

315.30 AMENDMENT OF CERTIFICATE.

HISTORY. 1917 c. 107 s. 5; G.S. 1923 s. 7995; M.S. 1927 s. 7995.

Where two societies consolidated into one corporation, one society being incorporated and the other not, the title to the property of each vested in the consolidated corporation. *Dollenmayer v Ryder*, 205 M 210, 286 NW 297.

315.31 AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION.

HISTORY. 1925 c. 357 s. 1; M.S. 1927 s. 7995-1; 1931 c. 232 s. 1.

315.32 TRUSTEES, POWERS; CERTIFICATE, RECORDING.

HISTORY. 1925 c. 357 s. 2; M.S. 1927 s. 7995-2.

315.33 METHOD PROVIDED IS ADDITIONAL.

HISTORY. 1925 c. 357 s. 3; M.S. 1927 s. 7995-3.

315.34 CONSOLIDATION OF RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS.

HISTORY. 1887 c. 133 s. 1; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 s. 232c; G.S. 1894 s. 3078; R.L. 1905 s. 3157; 1913 c. 42 s. 1; G.S. 1913 s. 6617; G.S. 1923 s. 7996; M.S. 1927 s. 7996; 1935 c. 265 s. 1.

See annotations under section 315.01.

De facto corporations; consolidation of qualified and unqualified units. 12 MLR 297.

315.35 RESOLUTION; NOTICE.

HISTORY. 1887 c. 133 s. 2; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 s. 232d; G.S. 1894 s. 3079; R.L. 1905 s. 3158; G.S. 1913 s. 6618; G.S. 1923 s. 7997; M.S. 1927 s. 7997; 1935 c. 265 s. 2.

315.36 MEETINGS; NOTICE; ORGANIZATION; POWERS.

HISTORY. 1887 c. 133 ss. 3, 4; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 ss. 232e, 232f; G.S. 1894 ss. 3080, 3081; R.L. 1905 s. 3159; 1913 c. 42 s. 2; G.S. 1913 s. 6619; G.S. 1923 s. 7998; M.S. 1927 s. 7998; 1935 c. 265 s. 3.

315.365 MERGER OF RELIGIOUS CORPORATIONS.

HISTORY. 1945 c. 134.

315.37 WHEN SOCIETY CEASES TO EXIST; DISPOSAL OF PROPERTY.

HISTORY. 1901 c. 98 s. 1; R.L. 1905 s. 3160; G.S. 1913 s. 6620; G.S. 1923 s. 7999; M.S. 1927 s. 7999.

315.38 DISSOLUTION, APPLICATION, HEARING.

HISTORY. 1901 c. 98 s. 2; R.L. 1905 s. 3161; G.S. 1913 s. 6621; G.S. 1923 s. 8000; M.S. 1927 s. 8000.

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315.39 REAL PROPERTY CONVEYED TO BISHOP, RIGHT REVEREND BISHOP, ARCHBISHOP OR MOST REVEREND ARCHBISHOP IN OFFICIAL CAPACITY TO BE VESTED IN SOCIETY, BODY, OR CONGREGATION; ACTION IN DISTRICT COURT; DECREE; PROCEDURE.

HISTORY. 1927 c. 120 ss. 1, 2; M.S. 1927 ss. 8002-1, 8002-2.

315.40 RELIGIOUS SOCIETIES MAY PROVIDE FOR BENEFITS; INSURANCE LAWS NOT TO APPLY.

HISTORY. 1929 c. 180; M. Supp. s. 8002-4.

315.41 CAMP MEETING ASSOCIATIONS; FORMATION; CAPITAL STOCK.

HISTORY. 1881 c. 138 ss. 1, 3, 5; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 ss. 183a, 183c, 183e; G.S. 1894 ss. 2940, 2942, 2944; R.L. 1905 s. 3114; G.S. 1913 s. 6538; G.S. 1923 s. 7909; M.S. 1927 s. 7909.

315.42 TAX EXEMPT; NO STREETS THROUGH PROPERTY.

HISTORY. 1881 c. 138 ss. 7, 10; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 ss. 183g, 183j; G.S. 1894 ss. 2946, 2949; R.L. 1905 s. 3115; G.S. 1913 s. 6539; G.S. 1923 s. 7910; M.S. 1927 s. 7910.

315.43 PEACE OFFICERS, APPOINTMENT.

HISTORY. 1881 c. 138 s. 9; G.S. 1878 Vol. 2 (1888 Supp.) c. 34 s. 183i; G.S. 1894 s. 2948; R.L. 1905 s. 3116; G.S. 1913 s. 6540; G.S. 1923 s. 7911; M.S. 1927 s. 7911.

315.44 YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATION, ORGANIZATION; CERTIFICATE.

HISTORY. 1889 c. 232 ss. 1 to 3; G.S. 1894 ss. 3070 to 3072; 1903 c. 89; R.L. 1905 s. 3164; G.S. 1913 s. 6624; G.S. 1923 s. 8003; M.S. 1927 s. 8003.

That corporations not organized for profit are to be deemed to be doing business is apparent from statutory provisions requiring them to state their place of business in their articles of incorporation as, for example, those organized for charity; the Y.M.C.A.; the Chamber of Commerce; the Home for the Aged. *La Belle v Hennepin County Bar Ass'n*, 206 M 295, 288 NW 788.

315.45 CLASSIFICATION OF MEMBERS.

HISTORY. 1889 c. 232 s. 5; G.S. 1894 s. 3074; R.L. 1905 s. 3165; G.S. 1913 s. 6625; G.S. 1923 s. 8004; M.S. 1927 s. 8004.

315.46 BOARD OF TRUSTEES MAY MANAGE REAL PROPERTY.

HISTORY. 1895 c. 334 ss. 1 to 3; R.L. 1905 s. 3166; G.S. 1913 s. 6626; G.S. 1923 s. 8005; M.S. 1927 s. 8005.

315.47 PROPERTY RIGHTS.

HISTORY. 1895 c. 334 s. 4; R.L. 1905 s. 3167; G.S. 1913 s. 6627; G.S. 1923 s. 8006; M.S. 1927 s. 8006.

315.48 REINCORPORATION.

HISTORY. 1889 c. 232 s. 6; G.S. 1894 s. 3075; R.L. 1905 s. 3168; G.S. 1913 s. 6628; G.S. 1923 s. 8007; M.S. 1927 s. 8007.

315.49 YOUNG WOMEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS.

HISTORY. 1909 c. 45 s. 1; G.S. 1913 s. 6629; G.S. 1923 s. 8008; M.S. 1927 s. 8008.