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Acts of the General Assembly of Her Majesty's Province of New-Brunswick passed in the year 1846. Fredericton, NB: John Simpson, Printer to the Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, 1846.

9 Victoria – Chapter 48

An Act to incorporate the Barristers' Society of New Brunswick. Passed, 11th April 1846.

Be it enacted by the Lieutenant Governor, Legislative Council and Assembly, That from and Ι. after the passing of this Act, the Honorable Charles J. Peters, Honorable William B. Kinnear, John Ambrose Street, Honorable Edward B. Chandler, Honorable Lemuel A. Wilmot, William End, Honorable John W. Weldon, William Wright, Alfred L. Street, Francis A. Kinnear, William Carman, Honorable Robert L. Hazen, Charles Fisher, John H. Gray, William J. Ritchie, George Botsford, David S. Kerr, James W. Chandler, George J. Thomson, Richard M. Andrews, George D. Street, D. Ludlow Robinson, James Peters, Junior, George J. Dibblee, Moses H. Perley, George Kerr, Richard Carman, William Jack, Alexander Campbell, William H. Odell, and all other Barristers of the Supreme Court of this Province, or that shall hereafter become Barristers, and who shall signify their assent in writing to the Secretary of the Corporation, shall and they are hereby declared to be a Body Politic and Corporate, by the name of The Barristers Society of New Brunswick, and by that name shall have all the general powers, authorities and privileges made incident to a Corporation by Act of Assembly, for the purpose of establishing order and good conduct among themselves, and of securing to the Province and the Profession a learned and honorable Body, and of procuring and maintaining a Library for the use of the Corporation.

II. And be it enacted, That all bye laws and regulations which the said Society shall make and ordain by the authority of this Act, shall be passed at some or one of the Terms of the Supreme Court at Fredericton, at a meeting of its Members then and there to be holden, and by a majority of the persons present, being Members, at such meeting, which Meeting shall be composed of at least thirteen Members; the manner of summoning such Bar Meetings, together with the order to be preserved in attending the same, and the manner of holding a Bar Meeting for ordinary business, (which shall consist of not less than nine Members,) shall also be regulated by bye laws for that purpose from time to time to be made; the first regular Bar Meeting for the purposes aforesaid to be held on the first Friday in next Trinity Term, in the Library Room.

III. And be it enacted, That the bye laws and regulations which the said Society shall be entitled to make, may be enforced by such moderate and reasonable fines not exceeding for any one breach thereof the sum of two pounds, as in such bye laws and regulations may be specified, the same to be sued for and recovered by the Treasurer or other Officer of the Society in the name of the Corporation, in such manner as in and by the same or any other bye law or regulation may be ordained; and the said fines when received by the said Treasurer or other Officer as aforesaid, shall be appropriated by the said Society in keeping up the said Library, and for the general purposes of the said Corporation: provided always, that no bye law or regulation whatever, made by the said Corporation, shall be of any force or effect until the same shall be sanctioned by the Judges of the Supreme Court of this Province, or any three of them.

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IV. And be it enacted, That the property of the Law Library already purchased, with all furniture and other chattels now in the Library Room of the Province Building, shall be and hereby is vested in the said Corporation.

V. And be it enacted, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Barristers' Society of New Brunswick to occupy and enjoy the use of the room in the Province Building now used as a Law Library, and to have the sole direction and control of the same: provided always, that it shall and may be lawful for the Administrator of the Government for the time being, by and with the advice of the Executive Council of the Province, at any time to resume the possession of the said room.