

CHAPTER 135

THE DIOCESAN SYNOD OF THE NORTH EASTERN CARIBBEAN AND ARUBA INCORPORATION ACT

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DIOCESAN SYNOD OF THE NORTH EASTERN CARIBBEAN AND ARUBA INCORPORATION

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An Act to constitute the Synod of the Diocese of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba a Body corporate under the style and title "The Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba"; to vest in the corporation all property belonging to the Anglican Church in Antigua and Barbuda; and for matters connected with those purposes.

WHEREAS THE Bishop of the Diocese of Antigua and the Clergy and certain representatives of the laity of the Anglican Church in the said Diocese have since the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty-four together constituted a Synod of the Church called the Synod of the Diocese of Antigua:

CAP. 135) *Diocesan Synod of the North Eastern Caribbean and Aruba Incorporation*

AND WHEREAS by an Act of the General Legislative Council of the Leeward Islands entitled the Antigua Diocesan Synod Incorporation Act Cap. 337* the Synod of the Diocese of Antigua was constituted a body politic and corporate under the style and title of "The Diocesan Synod of Antigua" with perpetual succession and a common seal;

AND WHEREAS at the 40th Session of the said Diocesan Synod of Antigua held in Anguilla in October, 1986, it was resolved that the Diocese of Antigua should be re-named The Diocese of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba;

AND WHEREAS under and by virtue of the Church of England Disestablishment Act Cap. 338*, Church Commissioners were constituted a body corporate with power to hold and dispose of real and personal property and by a Proclamation under the hand of His Excellency George Berkeley, Governor and Commander-in-Chief of the Leeward Islands bearing date the 30th August, 1876 the said Church Commissioners became vested and seized of certain specified property described in an Inventory attached to the said Proclamation;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to constitute the Synod of the Diocese of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba a body politic and corporate with perpetual succession and a common seal under the style and title "The Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba" and to vest in the said corporation all the property whatsoever and wheresoever situated whether real or personal belonging to the Church in the aforesaid Diocese of Antigua.

Short title.

1. This Act may be cited as the Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba Incorporation Act.

Renaming of Diocese and Incorporation of the Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba.

2. From and after the first day of January, 1987, the Diocese of Antigua shall be re-named and shall henceforth be known as "The Diocese of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba" and the Synod of the said Diocese of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba shall be and is hereby constituted a body politic and corporate under the style and title

of "The Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba" with perpetual succession and a common seal and with power and authority in its corporate name to sue and to be sued, to acquire and hold real and personal property in trust for all purposes connected with the administration of the affairs of the Anglican Church in Antigua and Barbuda and to sell, mortgage, alienate or lease the same.

3. All deeds of conveyance, mortgages, leases, contracts, assignments or other documents whatsoever and all powers of attorney and all notarial instruments required to be executed by the said Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba shall be deemed to be sufficiently executed if sealed with the Common Seal of the said Diocese and subscribed by such persons as the said Synod shall appoint.

Execution of Documents by Synod.

4. All real and personal property whatsoever situate in Antigua and Barbuda and any estate or interest in or concerning the same which are now held by or vested in the Church Commissioner or the Diocesan Synod of Antigua or the Bishop of the Diocese or any priest, vestry or person whatsoever, and whether in fee simple or in trust for or on behalf of the Diocese or any parish or vestry within the Diocese are hereby transferred to and vested in the Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba for the same estate and interest and to the same extent to which they were vested originally without conveyance transfer or assignment.

Vesting of property in Diocesan Synod of the North-Eastern Caribbean and Aruba.

5. The "Church Commissioners" constituted a body corporate under and by virtue of the Church of England Disestablishment Act is hereby dissolved.

Repeal of section 8 of Cap 338*.

6. The Antigua and Barbuda Diocesan Synod Incorporation Act is hereby repealed without prejudice to anything done or suffered thereunder or any right privilege, obligation or liability acquired, accrued or incurred thereunder.

Repeal.

* These are references to the previous Revised Edition.