

Israel Pemberton, jun. Robert Greenway, William Crosthwaite, William Callender, George Emlen, jun. Isaiah Warner, Tench Francis, James Bingham, Charles Meredith, Samuel McCall, Hugh Davy, Amos Strettell, Benjamin Shoemaker, Joseph Hatton, Andrew Hamilton, Thomas Bond, and William Peters, and such other persons as shall hereafter be admitted, or become members of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, according to the laws and constitutions of the said company, hereafter to be made, be, and for ever hereafter shall be, by virtue of these presents, one body corporate and politic in deed, by the name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*; and them by the name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, one body politic and corporate in deed and in name, we do for us, our heirs and successors, fully create, constitute and confirm by these presents; and that by the name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, they shall have perpetual succession; and that they, by the name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, be, and at all times hereafter shall be, persons able and capable in law, to have, hold, receive, and enjoy lands, tenements, rents, liberties, franchises, and hereditaments, in fee-simple, or for term of life, lives, years, or otherwise; and also goods, chattels, and other things, of what nature, kind or quality soever. And also to give, grant, let, sell, or assign, the same lands, tenements, hereditaments, goods and chattels; and to do and execute all other things about the same, by the name aforesaid: And also, that they and their successors, by the name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, be, and shall be, for ever hereafter, persons able and capable in law, to sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered

Name of the company.

Power to hold lands, &c.

Power to sue, &c.

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