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CHAPTER 234.

The Chartered Shorthand Reporters Act.

Interpreta-
tion.
"Associa-
tion."

1. In this Act, "Association" shall mean The Chartered Shorthand Reporters' Association of Ontario. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 1; 1933, c. 60, s. 3.

Powers as
to land.

2. The Association may purchase, take and possess for the purposes of the Association, but for no other purpose, and after acquiring the same may sell, mortgage, lease or dispose of any real estate the annual value of which shall not at any time exceed \$5,000. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 2.

Member-
ship.

3. Subject to the provisions of this Act and to the by-laws of the Association, the Association shall consist of its present members and all persons who shall cause their names to be registered under the provisions of this Act. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 3.

Educational
powers.

4.—(1) The Association shall have power to promote and increase by all lawful ways and means the knowledge, skill and proficiency of its members in all things relating to the business or calling of a shorthand reporter, and to that end to establish classes, lectures and examinations and prescribe such tests of competence, fitness and moral character as may be thought expedient to qualify for admission to membership, to grant diplomas and certificates of efficiency, and to authorize its members to use the distinguishing title "Chartered Shorthand Reporter" or the letters "C.S.R.". R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 4 (1); 1933, c. 60, s. 4 (1).

Examination
of students
and
affiliation.

(2) The Association may also prescribe for students of shorthand reporting, who desire to become members of the Association, such examinations and may grant to them such certificates of competency as it sees fit, and may organize the students into a society in affiliation with itself for study and mutual improvement. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 4 (2); 1933, c. 60, s. 4 (2).

Power to
make
by-laws.

5.—(1) The Association, in general or special meeting assembled after due notice, may pass by-laws for carrying out its objects.

(2) Unless otherwise provided by the by-laws no new by-law shall be passed, nor shall any by-law be altered or repealed, except by a two-thirds vote of the members present at a meeting of the Association, and only after at least two weeks' notice in writing of the proposed alteration or repeal shall have been given or mailed to each member. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 5.

Pre-requisites for validity of by-laws.

6.—(1) The affairs, business and concerns of the Association shall be managed by a council composed of nine persons who shall be British subjects, who have resided and practised the profession of shorthand reporting within Ontario for at least five years. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 6 (1); 1933, c. 60, s. 5.

Council.

(2) The members of the council shall be elected by voting papers in the manner provided for by the by-laws, at the annual meeting, or at a special meeting called for that purpose, and the members obtaining the greatest number of votes shall be declared elected.

Election by voting papers.

(3) No person shall be eligible for election to the council or qualified to fill any vacancy therein or to vote for any member thereof unless duly qualified under the provisions of this Act and the by-laws of the Association.

Only qualified members eligible for council.

(4) Members shall hold office for three years from the time of their election and until their successors are chosen.

Term of office.

(5) A member chosen to fill a vacancy shall hold office for the residue of the term for which his predecessor was elected or appointed.

Of member chosen to fill vacancy.

(6) Five members of the council shall form a quorum. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 6 (2, 3, 5-7).

Quorum.

7.—(1) At the close of the annual meeting the council shall meet and choose from among themselves a president, a vice-president, a secretary, a treasurer and such other officers as may be provided for by the by-laws.

Officers of the Association.

(2) In the event of the office of president becoming vacant the vice-president shall become president for the remainder of the term.

Filling vacancy in office of president.

(3) All other vacancies among the officers or the members of the council shall be filled by the council.

Of members of council.

(4) The council may remove any officer for misconduct or other sufficient cause, and may appoint his successor for the remainder of the term. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 7.

Removal.

Admission
by vote of
council.

8.—(1) The council may, by a vote of two-thirds of all the members thereof, admit to membership in the Association, without examination, a shorthand reporter who by reason of his professional reputation and standing is deemed qualified for membership. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 8 (1); 1933, c. 60, s. 6.

Honorary
membership.

(2) The council may also, by a two-thirds vote of all its members, admit as honorary members of the Association such persons resident in Ontario or elsewhere as they may deem deserving.

Status of
honorary
members.

(3) An honorary member shall not be entitled to vote at an election or at a meeting of the Association or to be elected a member of the council. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 8 (2, 3).

Annual
meeting.

9. The annual meeting of the members of the Association for the election of the council, and for such other business as may be brought before such meeting, shall be held at such time and place and under such regulations and after such notices as the by-laws of the Association shall prescribe. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 9.

Register of
members.

10.—(1) The council shall cause to be kept by the secretary a register in which shall be entered in alphabetical order the names of all members in good standing, and those members only whose names are entered in the register shall be entitled to the privileges of membership, and the register shall at all times be open to inspection by any person free of charge.

Register as
evidence.

(2) The register, or a copy of it certified by the secretary, shall be *prima facie* evidence that the persons therein named are members of the Association in good standing. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 10.

Limitation
of term of
diplomas
and
certificates.

11. The Association may limit the term of all diplomas and certificates granted by it to one year from the date of granting the same, and may withhold the granting or renewal of the same, together with all the other privileges of membership, from any person who neglects to pay the prescribed fees when they are due and so long as they remain unpaid. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 11.

Entrance
and annual
fees.

12.—(1) The council may fix an entrance and an annual fee to be paid by all members to the Association, and may vary the amount from time to time, and no member shall be personally liable for any debt of the Association beyond the amount of his unpaid fees.

Examination
fees.

(2) The council may also prescribe examination fees to be paid by applicants for examination. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 12.

13.—(1) No person shall be entitled to take or use the title of "Chartered Shorthand Reporter," or the letters "C.S.R.," either alone or in combination with any other words, or any name, title or description implying that he is a member of the Association, unless he is a member in good standing. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 13 (1); 1933, c. 60, s. 7.

(2) Every person who uses such title or such letters contrary to the provisions of this section shall incur a penalty not exceeding \$25 for the first offence and not exceeding \$100 for each subsequent offence, to be recoverable under *The Summary Convictions Act*. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 13 (2).

14. The Association may by by-law provide for the suspension or expulsion, after due inquiry, of any member for misconduct or violation of the by-laws of the Association. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 14.

15.—(1) All fees payable under this Act may be recovered as debts due to the Association.

(2) Penalties recovered under the authority of this Act shall be paid immediately on the recovery thereof by the convicting justice to the treasurer of the Association.

(3) The council may allot such portion of a penalty as may be deemed expedient to the prosecutor or complainant. R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 15.

16. If a person ceases to be a member of the Association he shall not, nor shall his representatives, have any interest in or claim against the funds or property of the Association.

R.S.O. 1927, c. 204, s. 16.