

Second Session Third Parliament Republic of Trinidad
and Tobago



REPUBLIC OF TRINIDAD AND TOBAGO

Act No. 25 of 1988

[L.S.]

AN ACT for the Incorporation of the Trinidad and
Tobago Institute of Architects.

[Assented to 7th September, 1988]

WHEREAS there has been for some time established in Preamble
Trinidad and Tobago an Organisation known as the
Trinidad and Tobago Institute of Architects:

And whereas it is expedient that the Institute be
incorporated:

- Enactment** **ENACTED** by the Parliament of Trinidad and Tobago as follows—
- Short title** **1.** This Act may be cited as the Trinidad and Tobago Institute of Architects Act, 1988.
- Incorporation** **2.** The Trinidad and Tobago Institute of Architects (hereinafter referred to as “the Institute”) is hereby created a body corporate.
- 3.** The aims and objects of the Institute are—
- (a) to regulate the ethics, discipline, professional conduct and standards of its members and students;
 - (b) to devise and impose standards of qualification for entry into the Institute and to establish codes of practice for persons engaged professionally in architecture in Trinidad and Tobago;
 - (c) to encourage and further the education of persons intending to enter or be associated with the profession of architecture;
 - (d) to further research and all such other activities as may contribute to the advancement of the knowledge and practice of architecture and the dissemination of information on architectural matters to the general public;
 - (e) to secure the closer association of those engaged or interested professionally or otherwise in architecture in Trinidad and Tobago in particular and in the Caribbean region in general;
 - (f) to accept any bequest, gift, or donation towards or to accumulate and provide a fund or an endowment, and to invest the same and apply the income arising therefrom or to use the capital thereof, for any of the objects of the Institute;

- (g) to promote information on the aims and objects of the Institute by lectures, discussions, books, conference with public bodies and individuals or otherwise;
- (h) to do all such things as are incidental or conducive to the attainment of the above-mentioned objects.

4. The Institute has the power—

Powers of the Institute

- (a) to acquire by purchase, transfer, donation, exchange, devise, bequest, grant, gift, conveyance, lease or howsoever otherwise, any real or personal property or interest therein;
- (b) to accept surrenders or reconveyances and to enter into contracts subject to any restraint, reservation or condition contained in the document under which it has acquired title to sell, exchange, devise, mortgage or otherwise dispose of and deal with all property which may from time to time be vested in it.

5. All real and personal property now held or vested in any person for the use and benefit of the Institute shall be transferred to the Institute within six weeks of the coming into force of this Act.

Transfer or vesting of property

6. All documents requiring the seal of the Institute shall be sealed with the common seal of the Institute in the presence of the President or Vice-President, or if neither the President nor the Vice-President is available, a member of the Executive nominated by the Executive for the purpose, and by the Secretary or any person acting in such capacity who both shall sign every such document, and such signing shall be *prima facie* evidence that the seal was duly affixed and that the same is the lawful seal of the Institute

Mode of execution of documents

7. (1) The Institute shall at all times have a fixed address in Trinidad and Tobago for the service of documents on the Institute and that address and any change thereof shall be registered with the Registrar General within twenty-eight days of the date of incorporation or the change of address as the case may be.

Service of documents

(2) All documents to be served on the Institute may be served by leaving the same at, or by sending the same by registered post to such address.

Failure to register

8. Failure to register with the Registrar General—
- (a) the address of the Institute;
 - (b) the names and addresses of the President and Secretary;
 - (c) any documents or information required to be registered,

is a summary offence and renders the Institute liable to a fine of one hundred and twenty dollars and to a further fine of ten dollars for each day during which the offence continues after conviction therefor.

Power to make rules

9. The Institute may, from time to time, make rules and regulations for the proper conduct of its proceedings and discharge of its duties, powers and functions and may vary or revoke such rules and regulations.

Saving of State or other rights

10. Nothing in this Act shall affect or be deemed to affect the rights of the State or of any bodies politic or corporate or of any persons except such as are mentioned or referred to in this Act and those claiming by, through, from or under them.

Passed in the Senate this 19th day of July, 1988.

Z. SEEREERAM
Acting Clerk of the Senate

Passed in the House of Representatives this 19th day of August, 1988.

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