

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, *George R + Rudolph Hoester and Alexander Macbeth, all of Greenville, S.C.*
did on the *3rd* day of *Jan. 1916* file with the Secretary of State a written Declaration, signed by themselves, setting forth:

First: The names and residences of the said petitioners to be as above given.

Second: The name of the proposed corporation be that of *The Piedmont Company*

Third: The principal place of business of the corporation will be *Greenville, S.C.*

Fourth: The general purpose of the corporation, and the nature of business it proposes to do.

Publication of newspapers with the establishment and maintenance of a job and printing office as usual in connection with newspaper publishing

FILED
CERTIFICATE OF DISSOLUTION
21 DAY OF
M.P. Blackwell
1927
Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF EXTENSION
22
James P. Bates
1927
at 10:20 a.m.

Fifth: The amount of the capital stock to be *Twenty-five thousand* Dollars,

and the number of shares into which the same is to be divided to be *Two Hundred and fifty (250)*

Sixth: The capital stock to be payable as set forth in the Declaration and Petition. *Two Hundred (\$200.00)* dollars each.

AND WHEREAS, on the *3rd* day of *January*, A. D. 19*16* the date above named, petitioners were commissioned by me a Board of Corporators;

AND WHEREAS, the said Board of Corporators, on the *8th* day of *January*, 19*16* did file with the Secretary of State their return in writing, over their signatures, certifying, among other things, that pursuant to the commission of the said Corporators, the books of subscription to the capital stock of the aforesaid Company were duly opened, and that thereupon exceeding fifty per centum of the capital stock was subscribed by bona fide stockholders; that thereupon a meeting of stockholders was called, and the aforesaid Company duly organized by the election of a Board of Directors and other necessary officers. That, furthermore, they have complied with all the requirements of the Code of Laws of the State of South Carolina of 1913, and all Acts or parts of Acts amendatory thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *R.M. McCowan* Secretary of State, by virtue of the authority in me vested by the aforesaid Code and Acts amendatory thereto, do hereby certify that the said company has been fully organized according to the laws of South Carolina, under the name and for the purpose indicated in their written declaration, and that they are fully authorized to commence business under their charter; and I do hereby direct that a copy of this certificate be filed and recorded in the office of the Register of Mesne Conveyance in each county where such Corporation shall have a business office.

GIVEN under my hand and seal of the State, at Columbia, this *8th* day of

January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and *nineteen* and in the one hundred and *fortieth* year of the Independence of the United States of America.

R.M. McCowan
Secretary of State.



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