

The State of South Carolina) Charter
 Executive Department) By The Secretary Of State

Whereas, Robert L. Cookingham, Frank C. Taylor, and Kenneth R. Gregory, all of 120 Broadway, New York, N. Y., did on the 19th day of December, 1931, file with the Secretary of State a written Declaration, signed by themselves, setting forth:

First: That their names and residences are as above given.

Second: That the name of the proposed corporation is
 Columbia Veritas, Inc.

Third: That the principal place of business is
 Charleston, S. C.

Fourth: That the general nature of the business which it is proposed to do is:

To take, acquire, buy, hold, own, manage, work, develop, sell, convey, rent, lease, mortgage, exchange, improve and otherwise operate and deal in and dispose of real estate and buildings, or any interest or rights therein, without limit as to amount; to erect, construct and alter buildings and other structures; to make and enter into any and all manner and kind of contracts, agreements and obligations by or with any person or persons, corporation or corporations and with or by this corporation, for the erection, construction, equipment, improvement, working, development, leasing, renting, repairing, management or control of any building and edifice of any kind whatsoever.

To establish, own, lease, manage, operate, maintain and conduct chain store systems and chain stores for the trafficking and dealing in and with, either at wholesale or retail, or both, all articles and commodities of personal and household use and consumption and all manufactured and prepared goods, food stuffs, material, and produce.

To manufacture, purchase, or otherwise acquire, own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign and transfer, or otherwise dispose of, to invest, trade, deal in and deal with, goods, wares and merchandises and real and personal property of every class and description.

To acquire, and pay for in cash, stocks or bonds of this corporation or otherwise, the good will, rights, assets and property, and to undertake or assume the whole or any part of the obligations or liabilities of any person, firm, association or corporation.

To acquire, hold, use, sell, assign, lease, grant licenses in respect of, mortgage, or otherwise dispose of letters patent of the United States or any foreign country, patent rights, licenses and privileges, inventions, improvements and processes, copyrights, trademarks and trade names, relating to or useful in connection with any business of this corporation.

To purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds, securities or evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation or corporations organized under the laws of this State or any other State, country, nation or government, and while the owner thereof to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership.

To issue bonds, debentures or obligations of this corporation from time to time, for any of the objects or purposes of the corporation, and to secure the same by mortgage, pledge, deed of trust or otherwise.

To have one or more offices, to carry on all or any of its operations and business and without restriction or limit as to amount to purchase or otherwise acquire, hold, own, mortgage, sell, convey, or otherwise dispose of real and personal property of every class and description in any of the states, districts, territories or colonies of the United States, and in any and all foreign countries, subject to the laws of such state, district, territory, colony or country.

In general to carry on any other business in connection with the foregoing, whether manufacturing or otherwise, and to have and

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