

THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

BY THE SECRETARY OF STATE

WHEREAS, *J. B. Baudle and J. C. and E. S. Watson,*  
*of Greenville, S. C.*  
did on the *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *May 1917* 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 Battery*

Third: The principal place of business of the corporation will be

*Greenville*

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

*a general dry goods and notion business, also handle furniture, millinery, rugs, etc. and in general to do a dry goods and furniture business.*

*J. C. Watson, J. B. Baudle, E. S. Watson and J. C. Serrell. That subsequently there was elected as President J. C. Watson; as Vice President, E. S. Watson; as Secretary and Treasurer J. C. Serrell.*

Fifth: The amount of the capital stock to be

*Ten Thousand (\$10,000)*

Dollars,

and the number of shares into which the same is to be divided to be

*One Hundred (100)*

Sixth: The capital stock to be payable as set forth in the Declaration and Petition. *of the par value of One Hundred (\$100.00)* Dollars each

AND WHEREAS, on the *8<sup>th</sup>* day of *May* A. D. 1917 the date above named, petitioners were commissioned by me a Board of Corporators;

AND WHEREAS, the said Board of Corporators, on the *4<sup>th</sup>* day of *June* 1917, did file with the Secretary of State their return in writing, over their signatures, certifying, among other things, that pursuant to publish notice as required in 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 1912, and all Acts or parts of Acts amendatory thereto;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, *W. Banks Dowe* 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 *4<sup>th</sup>* day of

*June* in the year of our

Lord one thousand nine hundred and *17*

and in the one hundred and *forty-first* year of the Independence of the United States of America.

*W. Banks Dowe*  
Secretary of State.

Recorded for *August 11<sup>th</sup>* 1917.