

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION
FOR AUTHORITY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS VOL 1208 PAGE 945
IN THE STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA

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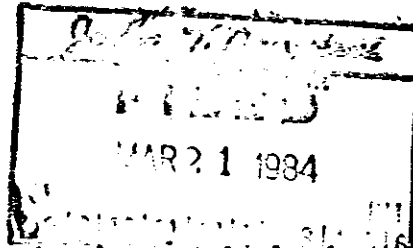
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Pursuant to Chapter 23, Title 33 of the 1976 Code, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for authority to transact business in the State of South Carolina, and for that purpose, hereby submits the following statement:

- (1) The name of the corporation is... First Provident Capital Corporation
- (2) It is incorporated under the laws of the state of... North Carolina
- (3) The date of its incorporation is... February 14, 1984, and the period of its duration is
... perpetual

(4) The nature of business which the corporation is authorized to do in its home state is:

To engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under Chapter 55 of the General Statutes of North Carolina including, but not limited to the business of a broker-dealer in connection with real estate limited partnerships.

(5) (a) The nature of business which the corporation proposes to do in the state of South Carolina is:

To engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under Title 33 of the Code of Laws of South Carolina, including, but not limited to the business of a broker-dealer in connection with real estate limited partnerships.

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(5) (b) The corporation is authorized to conduct such business under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation.

(6) The address of the registered or principal office of the corporation in the jurisdiction of its incorporation is... 3000 NCNB Plaza, in the city of... Charlotte

and state of... North Carolina

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