



Department Secretary of State

To all to whom these presents shall come, Greeting:

I, Thad Eure, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify the following and hereto attached ( 4 sheets) to be a true copy of

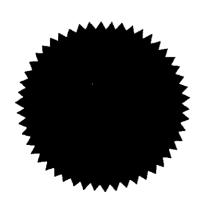
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

G & S CLEANING SERVICE, INC.

and the probates thereon, the original of which was filed in this office on the 17th day of August, after having been found to conform to law.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal.

Done in Office, at Raleigh, this day in the year of our Lord 1981. of August



BOLK 1342P 1028

288376

18' M9 en SI 11 auA

THAD EURE SECRETARY OF STATE NURTH CAROLINA

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

 $\mathbf{OF}$ 

G & S CLEANING SERVICE, INC.

- I, the undersigned natural person being more than twenty-one years of age, for the purpose of forming a business corporation under the laws of the State of North Carolina, as contained in Chapter 55 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, entitled "Business Corporation Act", and the several amendments thereto, and to that end do hereby set forth Articles of Incorporation as follows:
- 1. The name of the corporation is G & S Cleaning Service, Inc.
- 2. The period of duration of the corporation shall be unlimited.
- 3. The purposes for which this corporation is organized are:
- A. To introduce, erect, operate, conduct, manage, maintain and carry on a commercial and residential carpet cleaning business; to buy, sell, lease or otherwise dispose of cleaning supplies and equipment at both the wholesale and retail level, and generally to do and perform everything necessary for carrying out the aforesaid purposes; to operate and conduct any other type of commercial and residential cleaning business and service; and generally to buy, or otherwise acquire, manufacture and market any and all classes and categories of every description of cleaning supplies and equipment.
- B. To engage in buying, selling and improving lands and tenements; the loaning of money for itself and as agent for others, upon mortgages or other securities and the purchasing and selling of lands; and of money obligations secured upon real or personal property; the buying, working, selling and dealing in mineral lands and other lands; the acquiring, holding, selling, hypothecating, assigning, transferring and conveying of its own obligations or the obligations of any persons or other corporation, and collection, foreclosing, compounding, compromising, releasing, satisfying, and discharging the same of record; the buying, owning and improving of real estate by the erecting of buildings and other structures thereon and leasing and cultivating the same; the borrowing of money and executing mortgages or deeds of trust upon real estate or personal property as security therefor; the borrowing of money and the executing and issuing of promissory notes, bills of exchange, bonds, debentures, or other negotiable or transferable instruments; the doing of any or all of said acts either on its own behalf or as agent for others; and the doing of any and all acts necessary for the carrying out of the powers above enumerated.
- C. To buy, sell, exchange and generally deal in real properties, improved and unimproved and buildings of

every class and description; to improve, manage, operate, sell, buy, mortgage, lease, or otherwise acquire or dispose of any property, real or personal, and take mortgages and assignments of mortgages upon the same; to make and obtain loans upon real estate, improved or unimproved, and upon personal property, giving or taking evidences or indebtedness and securing the payment thereof by mortgage, trust deed, pledge or otherwise; to enter into contracts to buy or sell any property, real or personal; to buy and sell mortgages, trust deeds, contracts and evidences of indebtedness; to purchase or otherwise acquire, for the purpose of holding or disposing of the same, real or personal of every kind and description, including the good will, stock, rights and property of any person, firm, association or corporation, paying for the same in cash, stock, or bonds of this corporation; to draw, make, accept, endorse, discount, execute and issue promissory notes, bills of exchange, warrants, bonds, debentures and other negotiable or transferable instruments, or obligations of the corporation, from time to time, for any of the objects or purposes of this corporation; to carry on all or any of its operations without restriction or limit as to amount; to purchase, acquire, hold, own, mortgage, sell, convey or otherwise dispose of real and personal property of every class and description in any state, district, territory, colony, or foreign country subject to the laws of such state, territory or foreign country.

- D. To buy or otherwise acquire real estate, and to subdivide, plat and sell the same, and generally to buy, sell and deal in real and personal property of every kind and description in such manner, and upon such terms as the Board of Directors may determine; to act as trustee and in every kind of fiduciary capacity and generally to do all things necessary or convenient which are incident to or connected with the business above mentioned which a natural person might or could do.
- E. 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 merchandise and real and personal property of every class and description.
- F. To engage in any commercial, industrial, and agricultural enterprise calculated or designed to be profitable to this corporation and in conformity with the laws of the State of North Carolina;

To generally engage in, do, and perform any enterprise, act, or vocation in that a natural person might or could do or perform.

To engage in the manufacture, sale, purchase, importing and exporting of merchandise and personal property of all manner and description, to act as agents for the purchase, sale and handling of good, wares, and merchandise of any and all types and descriptions for the account of the corporation or as factor, agent, procurer, or otherwise for or on behalf of another.

4. The aggregate number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue is 1.00,000 shares, divided into one class. The designation of each class, number of shares of each class, series, if any, within each class, the par value, if any, of each share in each class, or statement that the shares of any class are without par value, is as follows:

Class No. of Shares Par Value Per Share
Common 100,000 \$1.00

The preference, limitations and relative rights in respect to the shares of each class are as follows: NONE.

- 5. The minimum amount of consideration for its share to be received by the corporation before it shall commence business is \$100.00.
- Incorporator and

  6. The name and address of the initial registered agent is Garland E. Washington, 930 Burke Street, Winston-Salem, Forsyth COUNTY, NC 27102, which is the address of the initial registered office.
  - 7. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be four (4) and the names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected and qualified are:

Names	Addresses
Garland E. Washington	930 Burke Street Winston-Salem, NC 27102
William Shouse	930 Burke Street Winston-Salem, NC 27102
Ruthie Gordon	930 Burke Street Winston-Salem, NC 27102
Julius Pearson	930 Burke Street Winston-Salem, NC 27102

3. In addition to the general powers granted corporations under the laws of the State of North Carolina, the corporation shall have full power and authority to do any other act necessary to prosecute the principal business of the corporation or related thereto.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this the  $\underline{\hspace{0.1cm} I\hspace{0.1cm}}$  day of August, 1981.

Saland E. Washington (SEAL)

1100X 1342P 1031

## NORTH CAROLINA - FORSYTH COUNTY

This is to certify that on the Ax day of August, 1981, before me, a Notary Public, personally appeared GARLAND E. WASHINGTON, who I am satisfied is the person named in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and I having first made known to him the contents thereof, he did acknowledge that he signed and delivered the same as his voluntary act and deed for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, this the / day of August, 1981.

Notary Public

My commission expires

COUNTY OF FORSYTH UNDA 14. RICH My Commission Expl. os April 21, 1986

PRESENTED FOR REGISTRATION MAD RECORDED

Aug 18 2 16 PM '81

-4-

REGISTER OF DEEDS
FORSYTH CTY. N.C.
\$10.00pd ol

DOCK 1342P1032