



District of Columbia Government Corporations Division

Instruction Sheet for Articles of Incorporation for Domestic Professional Corporation Form DPR-1, Ver. 6, September 2023

Use this instruction to draft articles of incorporation for your corporation; or use the fillable Articles of Incorporation on page 3. This will establish your new Business Corporation in the District of Columbia.

Table with 2 columns: ENTITY TYPE / AUTHORITY and FILING FEE. Row 1: Domestic Professional Business Corporation: § 29-506. & § 29-302.02. § 29-102.01. Refer to Corporate Fee Schedule posted online. Varies based on the number of authorized shares.

The following information is required for articles of incorporation.

- 1. Corporation name. The name of a professional corporation shall contain and end with the phrase "professional corporation" or the abbreviation "P.C.", or the word "chartered", or the abbreviation "Chtd", and may not contain the word "company", "incorporated", "corporation", or "limited", or an abbreviation of those words.
2. The number of shares the corporation is authorized to issue and par value of each share.
3. Registered Agent name and address in the District Columbia.
4. State the purpose. This field should be used for the designation of the professional services to be rendered through the corporation. "Professional service" means any type of personal service to the public including the services performed by certified public accountants, attorneys, architects, professional engineers, dentists, optometrists, podiatrists, and other health professionals as defined in section 101(8) of the District of Columbia Health Occupations Revision Act of 1985 (D.C. Official Code § 3-1201.01(8); effective March 25, 1986)
5. The names and addresses, including street address of the original shareholders of the corporation.
6. A statement that each of the original shareholders and directors named in the articles of incorporation is licensed to render a professional service for which the corporation is to be organized.
7. Miscellaneous section (review optional information below that may be included under this section).
8. State the names, residence and business addresses of each person (shareholder and director and officer) whose aggregate share of direct or indirect, legal or beneficial ownership of a governance or total distributional interest of the entity: (A) Exceeds 10 percent; or (B) Does not exceed 10 percent; provided, that the person: (i) Controls the financial or operational decisions of such entity; or (ii) Has the ability to direct the day-to-day operations of such entity."
9. Incorporators names and address; each Incorporator must sign and date the articles.

The following information is not required for articles of incorporation but may be included. (use miscellaneous provision section 7)

- (1) Provisions not inconsistent with law regarding: (A) The purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized; (B) Managing the business and regulating the affairs of the corporation; (C) Defining, limiting, and regulating the powers of the corporation, its board of directors, and shareholders; (D) The imposition of personal liability on shareholders for the debts of the corporation to a specified extent and upon specified conditions;
(3) Any provision that under this chapter is required or permitted to be set forth in the bylaws;
(4) A provision eliminating or limiting the liability of a director to the corporation or its shareholders for money damages for any action taken, or any failure to take any action, as a director;
(5) A provision permitting or making obligatory indemnification of a director for liability, as defined in § 29-306.50, to any person for any action taken, or any failure to take any action, as a director.

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**One or more persons acting as the incorporator or incorporators under the provisions of the Title 29 of D.C. Code (Business Organizations Act) adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:**

- 1. Corporation Name
- 2. The number of shares which the corporation is authorized to issue and its par value
- 3. Registered Agent's name and address in the District Columbia
- 4. Professional service that corporation will render
- 5. The names and addresses of the all shareholders of the corporation
- 6. Each of the original shareholders and directors named in the articles of incorporation is licensed to render a professional service for which the corporation is to be organized.
- 7. Miscellaneous Provisions.(may attach statement)
- 8. State the names and addresses of each person (director and officer) that has interest or control over this corporation (review instruction sheet for more information)

If you sign this form you agree that anyone who makes a false statement can be punished by criminal penalties of a fine up to \$1000, imprisonment up to 180 days, or both, under DCOC § 22-2405;

8. Incorporators Name & Address	8A. Incorporators Signature and Date
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