

**§111. Certificate of existence; certificate of authority; certificate of fact**

**1. Application.** Any person may apply to the Secretary of State for a certificate of existence for a domestic corporation or a certificate of authority for a foreign corporation.

[PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

**2. Contents.** A certificate of existence or certificate of authority sets forth:

A. The corporation's name used in this State; [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

B. That, if a domestic corporation, the corporation is duly incorporated under the laws of this State and the date of its incorporation; [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

C. That, if a foreign corporation, the foreign corporation is authorized to carry on activities in this State, the date on which the corporation was authorized to carry on activities in this State and its jurisdiction of incorporation; [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

D. That all fees and penalties owed to this State have been paid if:

(1) Payment is reflected in the records of the Secretary of State; and

(2) Nonpayment affects the existence or authorization of the domestic or foreign corporation; [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

E. That the corporation's most recent annual report required by section 1301 has been delivered to the Secretary of State; and [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

F. Any facts of record in the office of the Secretary of State that may be requested by the applicant under subsection 1. [PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

[PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

**3. Evidence of existence or authority.** Subject to any qualification stated in the certificate, a certificate of existence or certificate of authority issued by the Secretary of State may be relied upon as conclusive evidence that the domestic or foreign corporation is in existence or is authorized to carry on activities in this State.

[PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

**4. Certificate of fact.** In addition to the certificate authorized under subsection 2, the Secretary of State may issue a certificate attesting to any fact of record in the office of the Secretary of State that may be requested by the applicant under subsection 1.

[PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).]

**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2003, c. 631, §1 (NEW).

The State of Maine claims a copyright in its codified statutes. If you intend to republish this material, we require that you include the following disclaimer in your publication:

*All copyrights and other rights to statutory text are reserved by the State of Maine. The text included in this publication reflects changes made through the Second Regular Session of the 131st Maine Legislature and is current through January 1, 2025. The text is subject to change without notice. It is a version that has not been officially certified by the Secretary of State. Refer to the Maine Revised Statutes Annotated and supplements for certified text.*

The Office of the Revisor of Statutes also requests that you send us one copy of any statutory publication you may produce. Our goal is not to restrict publishing activity, but to keep track of who is publishing what, to identify any needless duplication and to preserve the State's copyright rights.

PLEASE NOTE: The Revisor's Office cannot perform research for or provide legal advice or interpretation of Maine law to the public. If you need legal assistance, please contact a qualified attorney.