

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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JOSEPH RICHARDS, Inc.

KNOW ALL MEN BY THESE PRESENTS:

That we, the undersigned, residents of Butte, Silver Bow County, Montana, being desirous of forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Montana, pursuant to said laws, for the purpose of forming such corporation hereby certify and declare:

I.

That the name of said corporation is and shall be
"JOSEPH RICHARDS, Inc."

II.

The purposes for which said corporation ^{is} ~~are~~ organized and formed are as follows, to-wit:

1. To operate, manage, control, buy, sell, or otherwise own or dispose of, hypothecate and mortgage, undertaking businesses and all manner and kinds of business connected with the general undertaking, funeral directing, and cemetery business in the usual and accepted meaning of the term;

2. To buy or otherwise acquire, sell, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise dispose of ^{and conduct} all ^{the} kinds of businesses, including mercantile, ^{heavy} manufacturing and brokerage, that may in any-wise, way or manner pertain to the said general business hereby aimed to be conducted;

3. To buy, purchase or otherwise acquire, sell, mortgage, hypothecate or otherwise dispose of any real or personal property of any kind or description whatsoever in the conduct and management of the business aforesaid;

~~partnership or other association~~, cemeteries as private organizations;

5. To conduct a general business, particularly including the preparation for burial, or other disposition, dead bodies, and the burial, or other disposition, of the same, including cremation and all other known means, manners and ways of disposing of human remains, legally and lawfully under the laws of the State of Montana;

6. And, generally, to conduct such an undertaking, cremation, cemetery, funeral directing and conducting corporation as is usually included in the general accepted terms of such business and undertaking;

7. To own or otherwise acquire, construct, operate, and buy and sell all kinds and classes of manufacturing plants engaged, particularly, in the manufacture of caskets, coffins and undertaking supplies;

8. To buy or otherwise acquire, sell or otherwise dispose of, own, lease or otherwise acquire such real or personal property of every class, kind and description whatsoever as may be necessary or proper in carrying on the business under these articles;

9. To buy or otherwise acquire, sell, deal in or otherwise dispose of or hypothecate stock of any corporation or corporations whatsoever, including the stock of this corporation;

10. To engage in any other manufacturing or mercantile business of any other kind or character whatsoever, and to that end to acquire in every lawful way, hold and own and dispose of manufacturing plants, businesses of all classes and character, and do any act or thing necessary or requisite for

the proper conduct of the proposed business hereof;

11. To issue stock, bonds and other obligations in payment of property purchased or acquired by it, or for any other object in and about the premises;

12. To mortgage or pledge any stocks, bonds or other obligation, or any property which may be acquired by it;

13. To guarantee any dividends or bonds or contracts or other obligations of any firm, corporation or person;

14. To make and perform contracts of any kind or description; and in carrying out and on the business of this corporation, or for the purpose of attaining or furthering any of its objects, do any and all other acts and things, and to exercise all powers and rights and privileges which a co-partnership or an individual or a natural person could do or might do and exercise, and which now or hereafter may be permitted to be done or allowed by law;

15. And, generally, to carry on an undertaking, funeral directing and conducting, cemetery, and incident commercial and manufacturing business which in any manner might touch or become incident to the aforesaid funeral, undertaking or cemetery business, and from time to time do any one or more acts or things herein set forth; and this corporation thus proposed may conduct its business in any state or territory within the United States of America, and in foreign countries and elsewhere; and may have offices where necessary outside the State of Montana; and may hold, purchase or otherwise acquire, mortgage and convey, or otherwise dispose of real or personal property in or out of the State of Montana.

III.

The place where the principal business of the corporation is to be transacted is Butte, Silver Bow County, Montana.

IV.

The term for which this corporation is to exist is forty (40) years.

V.

The number of directors of said corporation shall be three (3), and the following persons are those appointed to act as directors of said corporation for the first three (3) months, or until their successors are nominated, appointed, elected and qualified, to-wit:

Joseph Richards,	of Butte, Montana;
Warrington Richards,	Of Butte, Montana, and
Anna Richards,	Of Butte, Montana.

VI.

The amount of the Capital Stock of this corporation shall be Forty Thousand Dollars (\$40,000.00), divided into four hundred (400) shares of the par value of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) per share.

VII.

The Capital Stock of this corporation is subscribed to the extent of three (3) shares, and by the following persons, to-wit:

Joseph Richards,	One Share;
Warrington Richards,	One Share, and
Anna Richards,	One Share.

VIII.

The stock of this corporation shall be nonassessable.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF the parties hereto have hereunto set their hands and seals this 12th day of November, A. D. 1912.

Joseph Richards
Warrington Richards
Anna Richards

THE STATE OF MONTANA,)
) : SS.
County of Silver Bow,)

On this 12th day of November, A. D. 1912, before me, William N. Waugh, a Notary Public for the State of Montana, residing at Butte, Montana, personally appeared Joseph Richards, Warrington Richards, and Anna Richards, personally known to me to be the persons whose names are subscribed to the within and foregoing instrument and Articles of Incorporation, and who severally acknowledged to me that they executed the same.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my Notarial Seal the day and year in this certificate first above written.

W. N. Waugh
Notary Public in and for the State of Montana; residing at Butte, Silver Bow County, Montana. My Commission expires February 16, 1915.

Notarial Seal

STATE OF MONTANA,)
County of Silver Bow,) SS.
I, M. Kerr Beadle, County Clerk and Recorder of said County, do hereby certify that the foregoing instrument is a full, true and correct copy of the original instrument, as filed for record in my office on the 13th day of Nov. 1912

Attest my hand and seal of said Silver Bow County, hereunto affixed this 13th day of Nov. 1912

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M. Kerr Beadle
County Clerk and Recorder.
By Ed. Gutzpatrick Deputy