

State of Maine
TOWN OF BRIDGTON

**CERTIFICATE OF ASSOCIATION FOR PURPOSE OF ENGAGING IN
MERCANTILE ENTERPRISE**

(Title 31 MRS, Chapter 1, Section 1)

The undersigned hereby certify that they have become associated as partners or otherwise for the purpose of engaging in the (*type of business*) _____ business, under the partnership name (or d/b/a) with the name, stye or designation of (*name of business*) _____ in the conduct of said business.

Business physical location address _____, Bridgton ME 04009

Website: www._____ Email: _____

Printed name of Partner _____
Address _____ Signature _____
Telephone: _____

Printed name of Partner _____
Address _____ Signature _____
Telephone: _____

BELOW INFORMATION MUST BE COMPLETED BY A NOTARY PUBLIC OR ATTORNEY

Cumberland County, ss

State of Maine

Then, _____ and _____
personally appeared before me and made oath to the foregoing certificate.

Before me,

Attorney or Notary Public

Bridgton Town Clerk's Office
Received _____, 20____
and recorded in Book _____ Page _____
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This certificate shall be deposited in the Town Clerk's Office in which the business is to be carried on. The Town Clerk's Office is entitled to a fee of ten dollars (\$10.00) for recording this certificate.

MRS TITLE 31 CHAPTER 1

MERCANTILE PARTNERSHIPS AND ASSUMED BUSINESS NAMES

§1. Filing of certificate; certificate of withdrawal

Whenever 2 or more persons become associated as partners or otherwise for the purpose of engaging in any mercantile enterprise, they shall, before commencing business, deposit in the office of the clerk of the city or town in which the same is to be carried on a certificate signed and sworn to by them, setting forth their names and places of residence, the nature of the business in which they intend to engage and giving the name under which they are to transact business. Whenever any member of such partnership or association withdraws therefrom, he may certify under oath to the fact of such withdrawal, which certificate shall be deposited in the clerk's office where the partnership certificate is recorded. He shall conclusively be presumed to be a member of the firm or association to the time of his depositing such certificate.

§2. Business under assumed name; filing of certificate

Whenever any person intends to engage in such business as sole proprietor thereof, and to adopt any business name, style or designation other than his own name exclusively, he shall, before commencing business, deposit in the office of the clerk of the city or town in which such business is to be carried on a certificate signed and sworn to by him, setting forth his name and place of residence, the name, style or designation under which the business is to be conducted, and stating that he is the sole proprietor.

§3. Statements as conclusive; perjury

A person signing and making oath to any certificate deposited as provided by sections 1 and 2 shall not be permitted in any judicial proceeding to contradict the statements contained in such certificate. Whoever swears or affirms to any such certificate which is not true in fact shall be deemed guilty of perjury.

§4. Records

The clerks of the several cities and towns shall record in suitable books, kept exclusively for the purpose, the certificates deposited under sections 1 and 2, and such books shall be open to public inspection.

§5. Failure to file; penalty

Whoever fails to deposit seasonably the certificate required by sections 1 and 2 shall be punished by a fine of \$5 for each day he is in default.

§6. Prohibition of certain names

No person or persons, partnership or other entity engaged in any business, except a corporation, may adopt a name for such business that contains the words "corporation," "incorporated" or "limited," or any abbreviation of any such words. A limited partnership may use the term "limited partnership" as part of its name, a limited liability company may use the term "limited liability company" as part of its name and a limited liability partnership may use the term "limited liability partnership" as part of its name. [PL 1995, c. 633, Pt. C, §10 (AMD).]