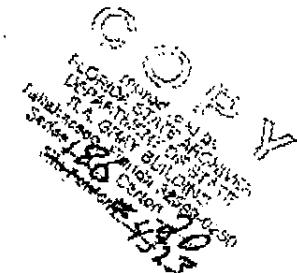


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LETTERS PATENT

Secretary of State THE STATE OF FLORIDA.



To All Whom These Presents Shall Come—Greeting:

Whereas,

C.C.Martin,Sr., A.B.Hall,Jr., and C.C.Martin,Jr.

on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ find in the office of  
the Secretary of State a proposed charter of incorporation, known as

FLORIDA EXPLOSIVES AND SUPPLY COMPANY  
dollars for the purpose therein THOUSAND ( \$3,000.00 )

wholesale and retail merchants, and as such  
shall have power to purchase and sell all kinds of explosives, including  
dynamite, dynamite caps, fuses, joint-powder, nitro-glycerine, etc. All  
of which may be carried on and conducted at Mulberry, Florida, and at  
such place or places within said State, or elsewhere, as shall be selected  
by the board of directors for same; to buy, lease, sell, mortgage and  
otherwise to acquire and dispose of lands, and generally to have, exer-  
cise and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges of corporations for  
profit, organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

and have published due notice thereof, and have otherwise complied with the statute in suc-  
case made and provided.

Therefore, the State of Florida hereby incorporates the above named persons, their associates  
and successors into a body politic and corporate in deed and in law by and under the said  
name of  
and grants unto them full authority FLORIDA EXPLOSIVES AND SUPPLY COMPANY  
for the purpose above stated, in accordance with their said charter and the laws of this  
State.

In Witness Whereof, These presents have been a-  
tested with the Great Seal, and signed and counter-  
signed by the Governor and Secretary of State of  
the State of Florida, at Tallahassee, the Capital  
this the \_\_\_\_\_ day of  
A. D. 1909. 28th October,  
9.

Governor

NOTICE OF INTENTION TO APPLY FOR LETTERS PATENT.

Notice is hereby given to whom it may concern, that the undersigned will, on the fourth day of October, A.D., 1909, apply to the Honorable Albert W. Gilchrist, Governor of Florida, for Letters Patent to the MULBERRY EXPLOSIVES AND SUPPLY COMPANY on the following proposed article of incorporation.

C. C. Martin, Sr.,  
A. B. Hall, Jr.,  
C. G. Martin, Jr.

PROPOSED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF THE MULBERRY EXPLOSIVES  
AND SUPPLY COMPANY,

The undersigned do hereby associate themselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated and forming a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

Article 1.

The name of this corporation shall be the MULBERRY EXPLOSIVES AND SUPPLY COMPANY, and its business shall be conducted and carried on at Mulberry, in the county of Polk, in the State of Florida, and at such places as the board of directors may select as suitable places therefor. The principal office of said corporation shall be the city of Mulberry, Polk County, Florida, but the board of directors may establish branch offices at any point within the State of Florida as they may deem advisable.

Article 2.

The general nature of the business to be transacted by said corporation shall be that of wholesale and retail merchants and as such shall have power to purchase and sell all kinds of explosives including dynamite, dynamite caps, fuses, joint-powder, nitro glycerine, etc. All of which to be carried on and conducted at Mulberry, Florida, and at such places or places within said State or elsewhere, as shall be selected by its board of directors for same; to buy, lease, sell, mortgage and otherwise to acquire and dispose of lands and generally to have, exercise, and enjoy all the rights, powers and privileges of corporations for profit organized and existing under the laws of the State of Florida.

Article 3.

The capital stock of said corporation shall be THREE THOUSAND DOLLARS

(\$3,000.00), to be divided into thirty shares of the par value of One hundred Dollars (\$100.00) each, to be paid for in cash.

Article 4.

The time for which said corporation shall exist shall be ninety-nine (99) years from date of issuance of Letters Patent hereon.

Article 5.

The business of said corporation shall be conducted by the following named officers, a president, secretary, treasurer, and general manager, and a board of directors of not less than three nor more than five, and each of the officers herein mentioned shall be a member of said board. Any two of the above offices may be held by one and the same person. The stockholders on the second Wednesday in October of each and every year shall elect such directors, and said directors immediately thereafter shall elect officers as provided by the by-laws of the corporation to be adopted, and such officers shall have and exercise such powers and authority and perform such duties as may be expressed, permitted and prescribed in such by-laws. Until the first meeting of the stockholders which shall be on the second wednesday in October, A. D., 1909, the business of the corporation shall be conducted by the following named officers, to-wit:

C. C. Martin, Sr., President;

A. B. Hull, Jr., Treasurer;

C. C. Martin, Jr., Secretary.

And the Board of Directors shall be composed of the following:

C. C. Martin, Sr., A. B. Hull, Jr., C. C. Martin, Jr.

Article 6.

The highest amount of indebtedness to which the said corporation may at any time subject itself shall not exceed the par value of its capital stock.

Article 7.

The names and residences of the subscribers to the capital stock of said corporation, together with the number of shares subscribed for by each, are as follows:

C. C. Martin, Sr., fourteen (14) shares;

A. B. Hull, Jr., Fifteen (15) shares; and,

C. C. Martin, Jr., One (1) share.

C. C. Martin,

C. C. Martin, Jr.,

A. B. Hull, Jr.

State of Florida,

County of Polk.

I hereby certify that before me, the undersigned authority, personally appeared C.C.Martin,Sr., A.B.Hall,Jr., and C.C.Martin,Jr., to me well known to be the individuals described in, and who executed the foregoing charter, and severally acknowledged that they executed the same for the purpose therein expressed.

Witness my hand and official seal, at Mulberry, Florida, this the  
21st day of August, A.D., 1909.

Lucine L. Estridge,  
Notary Public, State of Florida.

(SEAL)

My commission expires Oct. 17, 1921.

STATE OF FLORIDA )  
OFFICE SECRETARY STATE ) SS.,

I, H. CLAY CRAWFORD, Secretary of State of the State of Florida, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the charter of the MULBERRY EXPLOSIVES AND SUPPLY COMPANY, as filed in this office, and recorded in Book No. 20, Articles of Incorporation, on pages 497-500.

Given under my hand, and the Great seal,  
of the State of Florida, at Tallahassee,  
the Capital, this the twenty-eighth day of  
October, A. D., 1909.

SECRETARY OF STATE.