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March 27, 1998

Florida Department of State
Qualification Section
Division of Corporations
P. O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

RE: B. B. Hobbs, Inc.
FEI No. 0927329

Gentlemen:

Pursuant to your attached instructions dated March 9, 1998, I am enclosing for B. B. Hobbs, Inc. your Transmittal Letter, its Application for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida, and a Certificate of Existence from the State of South Carolina. I am also enclosing the \$70.00 registration fee.

Please issue your letter of acknowledgement and return to this office.

Very truly yours,

PAULLING & JAMES

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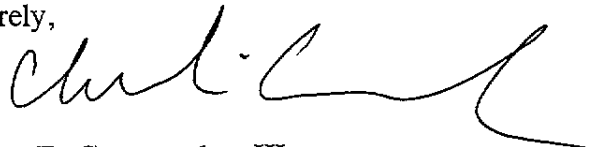
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Re: B.B. Hobbs, Inc.

Dear Mr. York:

Enclosed is B.B. Hobbs Company's check number 016606 in the amount of \$2,715.00 in settlement of the foreign non-qualified penalties as directed in your fax of August 3, 1998. Please instruct the Division of Corporations to issue a Certificate of Authority to transact business in Florida for B. B. Hobbs, Inc.

Sincerely,



Charles E. Commander, III

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Sandra B. Mortham
Secretary of State

April 2, 1998

PAULLING & JAMES
PO BOX 507
DARLINGTON, SC 29532

SUBJECT: B.B. HOBBS, INC.
Ref. Number: W98000007285

We have received your document for B.B. HOBBS, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the document has not been filed and is being retained in this office for the following:

Pursuant to section 607.1502(4), 617.1502(4) or 608.502(4), Florida Statutes, this office collects a civil penalty of \$1000 for each year this entity transacted business or conducted its affairs in Florida prior to qualification and the appropriate annual report fees that would have been due this office had the entity qualified the year it began operations in this state. The amount due this office to cover both annual report and penalty fees is \$4715.00.

Enclosed please find a copy of section 607.1501 or 617.1501, Florida Statutes, which lists those activities that do not constitute transacting business in this state. If after reviewing this section you determine erroneous information was inserted on the application, a sworn affidavit containing the following information must be submitted: 1.) a statement indicating erroneous information was listed on the application; and 2.) the correct date the corporation began transacting business in Florida prior to the year the application was submitted did not constitute transacting business pursuant to section 607.1501 or 617.1501, Florida Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6093.

Freta Lott
Corporate Specialist Supervisor

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PO BOX 507
DARLINGTON, SC 29532

SUBJECT: B.B. HOBBS, INC.
Ref. Number: W98000007285

This letter is in response to the application by foreign corporation for authorization to transact business in Florida that was previously submitted to this office for B.B. HOBBS, INC..

The referenced application states that the corporation has transacted business in the State of Florida since September 1, 1994. You were notified by letter dated April 2, 1998, that because of failure to obtain a certificate of authority prior to transacting business in the State of Florida, the corporation is liable for \$4715.00 in appropriate fees and penalties as set forth in Section 607.1502(4), Florida Statutes, (copy enclosed).

Until a response is received by this office concerning the prior notification, the application by foreign corporation for authorization to transact business in Florida will not be processed. If erroneous information was reflected on the previously submitted application, a sworn affidavit may be filed stating the correct date the corporation first transacted business in Florida, that the corporation did not transact business in Florida prior to the application filing year and that the information entered on such application is incorrect. Any such affidavit will be included with your original qualification documents.

Please provide your response to this letter within 30 days to avoid the necessity of further action.

If you have further questions concerning the filing of your document, please telephone the Foreign Qualification/Tax Lien Section at (850) 487-6091.

Hart Collins
Senior Corporate Section Administrator Letter No. 498A00032812

Enclosure



Department of State

Memorandum Office of the General Counsel

TO: File

FROM: Gerard York, Assistant General Counsel

DATE: September 8, 1998

RE: B. B. Hobbs, Inc.

Based on my review of the file and the payment received from the corporation, it is my recommendation that this file be closed and that corporation be issued a certificate of authority. Corporation has paid annual report fees from 1994 of \$715 and foreign nonqualified penalties for the same period of \$2000 assessed at the statutory minimum of \$500 per year. Accordingly, it is recommended that this file be closed.

/gty

**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION
TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

**IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS
SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE
STATE OF FLORIDA:**

1. B. B. Hobbs, Inc.
(Name of corporation: must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)
2. South Carolina
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)
3. 57-0927329
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. September 17, 1990
(Date of Incorporation)
5. Perpetual
(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. September, 1994
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502, AND 817.155, F.S.))
7. B. B. Hobbs, Inc.
P. O. Box 437, Darlington, SC 29540
(Current mailing address)
8. Irrigation System Sales and Services
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in the state of Florida)
9. **Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable)**

Name: William E. Perkins

Office Address: 26000 SW 182 Ave.

Homestead, Florida, 33031
(Zip Code)

10. Registered agent's acceptance:

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

William E. Perkins
(Registered agent's signature)

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

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12. Names and addresses of officers and/or directors: (Street address ONLY- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

A. DIRECTORS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

Chairman: N/A

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: N/A

Address: _____

Director: Bryan B. Hobbs

Address: _____

Director: Patricia W. Hobbs

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS (Street address only- P. O. Box NOT acceptable)

President: Bryan B. Hobbs

Address: 305 East Hampton Street

Darlington, SC 29532

Vice President: N/A

Address: _____

Secretary: Patricia W. Hobbs


Address: 305 East Hampton Street

Darlington, SC 29532

Treasurer: N/A

Address: _____

NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. > 
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. _____
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

The State of South Carolina



Office of Secretary of State Jim Miles **Certificate of Existence**

I, Jim Miles, Secretary of State of South Carolina Hereby certify that:

B.B. HOBBS, INC.,

a corporation duly organized under the laws of the State of South Carolina on **September 17th, 1990**, and having a perpetual duration unless otherwise indicated below, has as of the date hereof filed all reports due this office, paid all fees, taxes and penalties owed to the Secretary of State, that the Secretary of State has not mailed notice to the Corporation that it is subject to being dissolved by administrative action pursuant to Section 33-14-210 of the South Carolina Code, and that the corporation has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date hereof.

Given under my Hand and the Great Seal of
the State of South Carolina this 16th day of
March, 1998.

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "David M. Beasley".

David M. Beasley, Governor

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Jim Miles".

Jim Miles, Secretary of State

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