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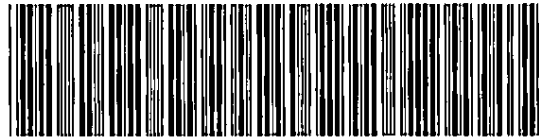
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**VIA FEDEX, AS AN ACCOMPANYING ITEM**

Stacey M. Warren  
Regulatory Specialist II  
Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Registration Section  
Clifton Building  
2661 Executive Center Circle  
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

**Re: Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd.  
Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida  
Reference Number W17000058085, Letter Number 617A00014218**

Dear Ms. Warren:

We write to you today, on behalf of our client Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd., an Illinois corporation seeking to complete its registration as a foreign corporation with the Florida Department of State, in connection with your July 13, 2017-dated letter concerning that registration which remains in process.

On behalf of Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd., we appreciate your July 13, 2017-dated reply, a copy of which accompanies this correspondence. We reached out to your section earlier this week, to learn more about how best to correct the in-process filing, on a day it was explained to us that you did not happen to be in your office.

In your absence, one of your colleagues was kind enough to explain to us that Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. merely needs to add to the end of its actual entity name one (1) single word or abbreviation that constitutes or represents a suffix acceptable to the Florida Department of State, and that Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. may not add further content beyond that to its name for purposes of doing business in the State of Florida, just one (1) acceptable word or abbreviation as a suffix to its actual entity name, through which we came to understand that this is the requisite step because its actual entity name is available in the State of Florida and that "availability" does not reflect legal acceptability, instead merely whether a given name is already in use.

In light of that additionally-helpful feedback, Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. seeks to adopt the name "Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. Corporation" (i.e., its actual entity name plus the word "Corporation" added thereto, at the end of its name as the new ending word) as the name under which Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. would transact business in the State of Florida.

Towards achieving that end, please find enclosed the following:

1. A copy of your July 13, 2017-dated correspondence concerning the filing;
2. A replacement "Cover Letter", setting forth that newly-proposed name (e.g., "Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. Corporation") and indicating that the related \$78.75 fee was already paid, which you were kind enough to confirm in your July 13, 2017-dated reply letter;

Letter to Stacey M. Warren, Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations, Registration Section  
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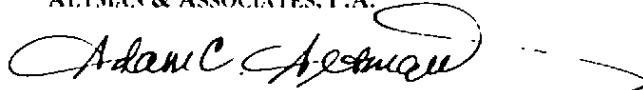
3. A replacement "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", reflecting on the first line of Item #1 the name which Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. seeks to use in the State of Florida (e.g., "Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. Corporation"). Item #1 completed consistent with the explanation which your colleague provided;
4. A copy of the \$78.75 check which Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. included with its original corresponding "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", included for ease of reference; and
5. A copy of the certificate of good standing that was included with the filing of the original corresponding "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", included for ease of reference.

In closing, we appreciate your continued helpful assistance towards Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd. completing its foreign corporation registration with the Florida Department of State, with an acceptable variation of its actual entity name.

Should you have any additional questions, comments, or need for documentation or information regarding this exercise, please reply directly to Ms. Denise Swinney of Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd., whose contact information is set forth in the enclosed document entitled "Cover Letter".

Thanking you, we are,

Very Truly Yours,  
ALTMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.A.



Adam C. Altman, Esq.  
For the Firm

ACA/ms

cc: Denise Swinney, Brown, Brown & Gomberg, Ltd.



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

July 13, 2017

DENISE SWINNEY  
5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350  
SKOKIE, IL 60077

SUBJECT: BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD.  
Ref. Number: W17000058085

We have received your document for BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The use of LIMITED or LTD. is not sufficient as a corporate designation. The name must include a word such as INCORPORATED, INC., CORPORATION or CORP.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6051.

Stacey M Warren  
Regulatory Specialist II

Letter Number: 617A00014218

## COVER LETTER

**TO:** Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD. CORPORATION

Name of corporation - must include suffix

(ACTUAL ENTITY NAME IN ITS DOMICILE IS: BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD.)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," "Certificate of Existence," or "Certificate of Good Standing" and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign corporation to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

DENISE SWINNEY

Name of Person

BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD.

Firm/Company

5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350

Address

SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077

City/State and Zip code

DSWINNEY@BBGCPS.COM

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

DENISE SWINNEY

at ( 847 ) 965-4700

Name of Person

Area Code

Daytime Telephone Number

### STREET/COURIER ADDRESS:

Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
Clifton Building  
2661 Executive Center Circle  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

### MAILING ADDRESS:

Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee &  
Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee &  
Certified Copy

☐ \$87.50 Filing Fee,  
Certificate of Status &  
Certified Copy

→ PAID BY CHECK  
#158711

JUNE 30, 2017 CHECK DATE

**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. BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD. CORPORATION  
(Enter name of corporation; must include "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION,"  
"Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp.")
- (If name unavailable in Florida, enter alternate corporate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida)
2. ILLINOIS 3. 36 - 2873503  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. JUNE 14, 1976 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of incorporation) (Date of duration, if other than perpetual)
6. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)  
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)
7. 5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350, SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077  
(Principal office address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Current mailing address, if different)

8. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Name: ALTMAN & ASSOCIATES, P.A.

Office Address: 4869 KENSINGTON CIRCLE

CORAL SPRINGS, Florida 33076  
(City) (Zip code)

9. 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.*

Adam C. Altman

ADAM C. ALTMAN, PRESIDENT

(Registered agent's signature)

10. 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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11. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

**A. DIRECTORS**

Chairman: GERALD R. GOMBERG

Address: 5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350  
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077

Vice Chairman: LAWRENCE J. BROWN

Address: 5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350  
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077

Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. OFFICERS**

President: GERALD R. GOMBERG

Address: 5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350  
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077

Vice President: LAWRENCE J. BROWN

Address: 5750 OLD ORCHARD ROAD, SUITE 350  
SKOKIE, ILLINOIS 60077

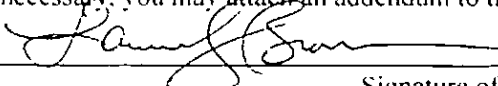
Secretary: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Treasurer: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

12.  V.P.  
Signature of Director or Officer

The officer or director signing this document (and who is listed in number 11 above) affirms that the facts stated herein are true and that he or she is aware that false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

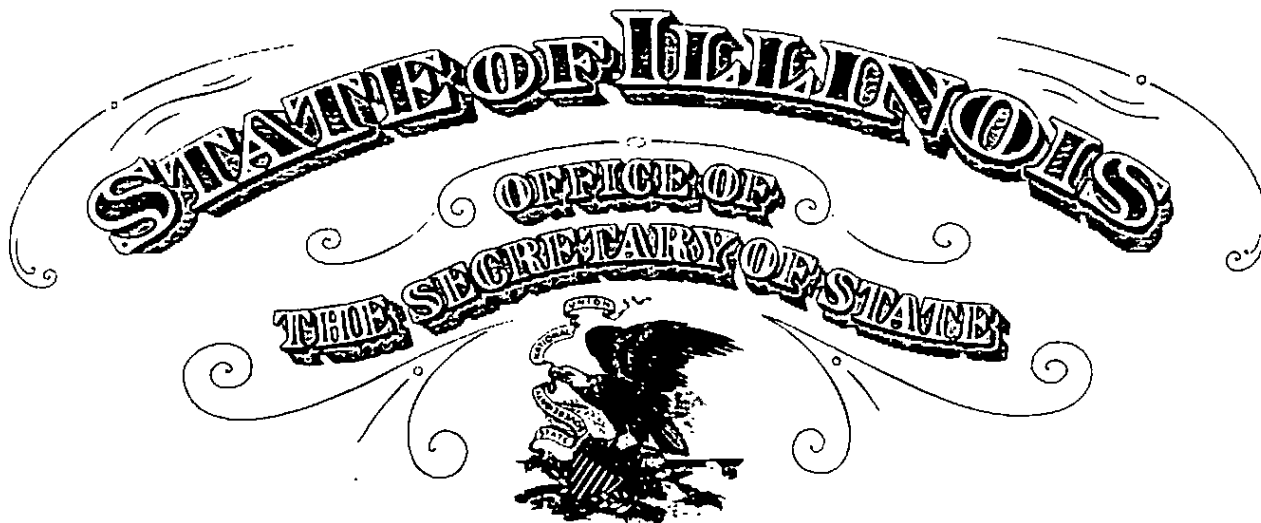
13. LAWRENCE J. BROWN, VICE PRESIDENT

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

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**To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:**

*I, Jesse White, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I am the keeper of the records of the Department of Business Services. I certify that*

BROWN, BROWN & GOMBERG, LTD., A DOMESTIC CORPORATION, INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE ON JUNE 14, 1976, APPEARS TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF THIS STATE RELATING TO THE PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES, AND AS OF THIS DATE, IS IN GOOD STANDING AS A DOMESTIC CORPORATION IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.



***In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set***  
*my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of*  
*the State of Illinois, this 30TH*  
*day of JUNE A.D. 2017 .*

*Jesse White*

SECRETARY OF STATE