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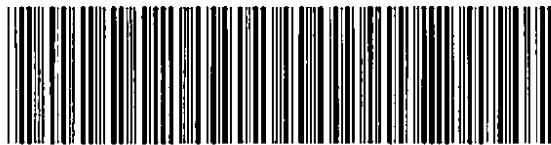
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 Contract Freighters, Inc.

  X   Certified Copies of the Articles of Incorporation  
  X   Certificate of Status

☐ Amendment  
☐ Resignation of R.A.  
☐ Change of Registered Agent  
☐ Dissolution/Withdrawal  
☐ Conversion  
☐ Statement of Authority  
☐ Merger  
☐ Amended and Restated Articles

☒ Foreign Filing  
☐ Partnership  
☐ Reinstatement  
☐ CORRECTION for a LLC  
☐ Domestication of a Foreign Corp.  
☐ Other

**EXAMINER'S INITIALS:**

## COVER LETTER

**TO:** Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** Contract Freighters, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of corporation - must include suffix

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:

Joshua S. Helmich

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person

Contract Freighters, Inc.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Firm/Company

4701 East 32nd Street

\_\_\_\_\_  
Address

Joplin, MO 64804

\_\_\_\_\_  
City/State and Zip code

contracts@cfdrive.com

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

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Sohaila Kellhofer

at ( 417 )

623-5229 Ext 25322

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name of Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
Area Code

\_\_\_\_\_  
Daytime Telephone Number

**STREET/COURIER ADDRESS:**

Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
The Centre of Tallahassee  
2415 N. Monroe Street, Suite 810  
Tallahassee, FL 32303

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

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

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

Please make check payable to: **FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

☐ \$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

**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. Contract Freighters, Inc.  
(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. Missouri 3. \_\_\_\_\_  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. 1951 5. \_\_\_\_\_  
(Date of incorporation) (Date of duration, if other than perpetual)
6. 4/11/2024  
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)  
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)
7. 4701 East 32nd Street Joplin, MO 64804  
(Principal office street address)
- \_\_\_\_\_  
(Current mailing address, if different)

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

Name: Corporation Service Company

Office Address: 1201 Hays Street

Tallahassee, Florida 32301  
(City) (Zip code)

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**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.*

Stephanie Schipper

(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.

11. For initial indexing purposes, list names, titles and addresses of the primary officers and/or directors [up to six (6) total]:

**A. DIRECTORS**

☒ Chairman Name: Michael J. Gerdin  
☐ Vice Chairman Address: 901 Heartland Way  
☐ Director North Liberty  
☒ President Iowa  
☐ Vice President 52317  
☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

☐ Chairman Name:                       
☐ Vice Chairman Address:                       
☐ Director                       
☐ President                       
☐ Vice President                       
☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

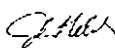
☐ Chairman Name: Joshua S. Helmich  
☐ Vice Chairman Address: 901 Heartland Way  
☐ Director North Liberty  
☐ President Iowa  
☒ Vice President 52317  
☒ Secretary ☐ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

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☐ Vice Chairman Address:                       
☐ Director                       
☐ President                       
☐ Vice President                       
☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

☐ Chairman Name: Christopher A. Strain  
☐ Vice Chairman Address: 901 Heartland Way  
☐ Director North Liberty  
☐ President Iowa  
☐ Vice President 52317  
☐ Secretary ☒ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

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☐ Secretary ☐ Treasurer  
☐ Other                      ☐ Other                     

**Important Notice:** Use an attachment to report more than six (6). The attachment will be imaged for reporting purposes only. Non-indexed individuals may be added to the index when filing your Florida Department of State Annual Report form.

12.   
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. Joshua S. Helmich Senior Vice President and Secretary  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

# STATE OF MISSOURI



**John R. Ashcroft**  
**Secretary of State**

## CORPORATION DIVISION CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

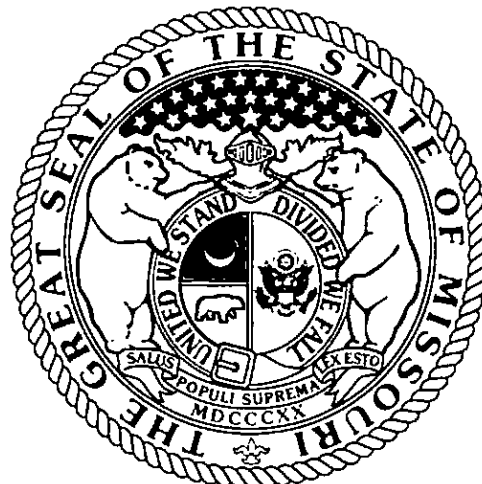
I, JOHN R. ASHCROFT, Secretary of State of the State of Missouri, do hereby certify that the records in my office and in my care and custody reveal that

*Contract Freighters, Inc.*  
*00078169*

was created under the laws of this State on the 17th day of October, 1951, and is in good standing, having fully complied with all requirements of this office.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I hereunto set my hand and cause to be affixed the GREAT SEAL of the State of Missouri. Done at the City of Jefferson, this 4th day of December, 2024.

  
Secretary of State



Certification Number: CERT-12042024-0029