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We have received your document(s) in this office, however, a copy of the document is being returned for the following:

The records of this office reflect that HCA - HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF AMERICA, a corporation organized under the laws of Delaware, previously qualified to transact business in Florida on October 19, 1990. Its certificate of authority was revoked on August 26, 1994, for failure to file its 1994 annual report as required by law. Therefore, pursuant to s. 607.15315, F.S., the corporation must reinstate its certificate of authority by submitting the enclosed reinstatement application and a check made payable to Secretary of State totaling \$1245.00.

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Florida Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
409 East Gaines Street  
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RE: HCA - Hospital Corporation of America  
HCA -- Hospital Corporation of America

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Dear Sirs:

I am currently trying to qualify HCA - Hospital Corporation of America (ID# 2353782), a Delaware corporation, in the state of Florida. Please be aware that there was a separate Delaware corporation, HCA-- Hospital Corporation of America (ID #2171955), which was qualified in Florida on 10/19/90 and revoked 8/26/94. (The only difference in the names are the use of double hyphens in the older corporation's name.)

HCA -- Hospital Corporation of America was merged into CHOS Acquisition Corporation 2-10-94 and then CHOS Acquisition Corporation, the surviving corporation, amended its name to HCA - Hospital Corporation of America. The corporation that I am now trying to qualify in Florida is HCA - Hospital Corporation of America f/k/a CHOS Acquisition Corporation. The original corporation, HCA -- Hospital Corporation, was merged out of existence in 1994 and will not be come active again. Therefore, I need to file an Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida for HCA - Hospital Corporation of America. Please call me directly at 615/344-2190 if you have additional questions in regards to my filing request. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Melinda S. Lampkin  
Paralegal

**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. HCA - Hospital Corporation of America  
(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. Delaware  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)
3. 61-1249702  
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. 10/01/93  
(Date of Incorporation)
5. Perpetual  
(Duration: Year corporation will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. Upon qualification  
(Date first transacted business in Florida. (See Sections 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)
7. One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 327203  
(Current mailing address)
8. To engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Florida  
(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: Corporation Service Company  
  
Office Address: 1201 Hays Street, Tallahassee, Florida, 32301  
(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.*

By: Karen B. Rozar  
(Registered agent's signature) **Karen B. Rozar, As Its Agent**

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.

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: John M. Franck II

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

Vice Chairman: Kenneth C. Donahey

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

Director: Rosalyn S. Elton

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

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

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

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

President: Jack O. Bovender, Jr.

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

Vice President: V. Carl George

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

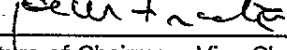
Secretary: John M. Franck II

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

Treasurer: David G. Anderson

Address: One Park Plaza, Nashville, TN 37203

**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. John M. Franck II, Secretary  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application.)

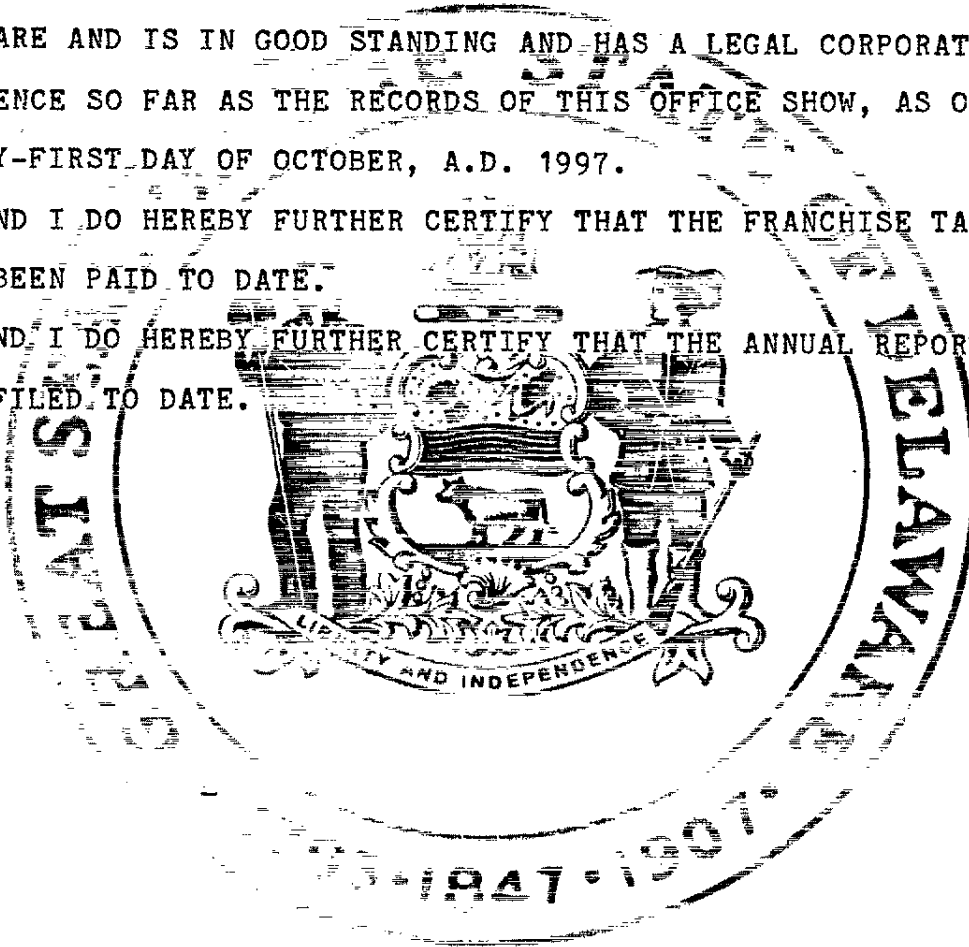
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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "HCA-HOSPITAL CORPORATION OF AMERICA" IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE THIRTY-FIRST DAY OF OCTOBER, A.D. 1997.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED TO DATE.



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*Edward J. Freel*

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