

**RELIGIOUS CORPORATION
ARTICLES OF REVIVAL**

FOR

(Insert exact name of religious corporation as it appears in the records of the State Department of Assessments and Taxation)

FIRST: The name of the religious corporation at the time the charter was forfeited was _____

SECOND: The name which the religious corporation will use after revival is _____

THIRD: The address of the principal place of worship in this state is _____

FOURTH: The name and address of the resident agent is _____

FIFTH: These Articles of Revival are for the purpose of reviving the charter of the religious corporation.

SIXTH: At or prior to the filing of these Articles of Revival, the religious corporation has (a) Paid all fees required by law; (b) Filed all annual reports which should have been filed by the religious corporation if its charter had not been forfeited; (c) Paid all state and local taxes, except taxes on real estate, and all interest and penalties due by the religious corporation or which would have become due if the charter had not been forfeited whether or not barred by limitations.

I hereby consent to my designation in this document as resident agent for this religious corporation.

SIGNED _____

Resident Agent

(Use A for signatures. If that procedure is unavailable, use B. If A & B are not available, use C. **ONLY SIGN UNDER ONE SECTION.**)

A. The undersigned who were respectively the last acting president (or vice president) and secretary (or treasurer) of the religious corporation severally acknowledge the Articles to be their act.

Last Acting President/Vice President

Last Acting Secretary/Treasurer

(Use if A cannot be signed/acknowledged)

B. The last acting president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer are unwilling or unable to sign and acknowledge these Articles; therefore, the undersigned who represent the lessor of a majority or 3 of the last acting directors of the religious corporation severally acknowledge the Articles to be their act.

Last Acting Trustee

Last Acting Trustee

Last Acting Trustee

(Use if A and B cannot be signed/acknowledged)

C. The last acting president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the religious corporation are unable or unwilling to sign the Articles. There are less than the required number of trustees able and willing to sign the Articles, therefore, the undersigned who were elected as trustees for the purpose of reviving the charter of the religious corporation severally acknowledge the Articles to be their act.

Trustee

Trustee

Trustee

Information Guide For Reviving the Charter of a Maryland Religious Corporation

REVIVING THE CHARTER OF A MARYLAND RELIGIOUS CORPORATION

I. Requirements of the Department to Revive the Charter of a Religious Corporation:

- A. Prior to filing Articles of Revival, the religious corporation must ensure the following:
1. If Articles of Revival are filed between January 1 and April 15, the current year's Annual Report is not required to be filed *as a condition of revival - the return must still be filed by its due date*.
 2. If Articles of Revival are filed between April 15 and December 31, the current year's Annual Report is required to be filed.
- B. The fee to file Articles of Revival is \$100 for standard processing (4-6 weeks) or \$150 for expedited processing (within ten business days of receipt by the Department). This is the fee for all corporations (including those that are tax exempt).
- C. Form Instructions:
1. Insert the name of the religious corporation at the time of forfeiture in the heading.
 2. Insert the name of the religious corporation at the time of forfeiture again.
 3. Insert the name the religious corporation wishes to use upon revival. The religious corporation's prior name may not currently be available or the religious corporation may have decided to adopt a different name.
 4. Insert the address of the principal place of worship. Maryland law requires the address to be a physical address in the State of Maryland. You may not use a post office box or dropbox address.
 5. Insert the name and address of the religious corporation's resident agent. The resident agent must be a Maryland resident that is either an individual at least 18 years old OR another active Maryland corporation or Maryland LLC. Maryland law requires the address of the resident agent to be a physical address in the State of Maryland. You may not use a post office box or dropbox address.
 6. Execution of Articles of Revival
1. Determine whether paragraph A, B or C applies to the current situation of the religious corporation.
 2. If reviving under paragraph A, two of the last acting officers of the religious corporation must sign the document. The same person MAY NOT act as both officers.
 3. If reviving under paragraph B, at least three of the last acting trustees of the religious corporation must sign here. Use additional paper if necessary.

4. If reviving under paragraph C, the person or persons elected by the members of the religious corporation to serve as trustee(s) for the purpose of reviving the charter should sign here. Use additional paper if necessary.

D. FAQ about reviving a religious corporation

1. How do I know which personal property returns must be filed?
 - a. First review the Personal Property tab of the information for the company by using the [Business Entity Search](#) on the Department's website. If you are still unclear, contact the Personal Property Department by calling 410-767-1170 or emailing sdat.persprop@maryland.gov
2. Where do I send all my paperwork? Can I file in person?
 - a. You may mail your paperwork to the Department or file in person if you wish. Same day service is available only to documents filed in person. The address for both services is: 301 West Preston St., Room 801, Baltimore, MD 21201.
3. May I file online?
 - a. At this time we cannot accept Articles of Revival online nor can any payments associated with Articles of Revival be paid online or by email.

More information is available on the Department's website at the following link:
<http://dat.maryland.gov/businesses/Documents/entitystatus.pdf>

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