
(a) A foreign corporation authorized to transact business in this State must obtain an amended certificate of authority from the Secretary of State if it changes:

1. Its corporate name;
2. The period of its duration; or
3. The state or country of its incorporation.

(b) A foreign corporation may apply for an amended certificate of authority by delivering an application to the Secretary of State for filing that sets forth:

1. The name of the foreign corporation and the name in which the corporation is authorized to transact business in North Carolina if different;
2. The name of the state or country under whose law it is incorporated;
3. The date it was originally authorized to transact business in this State;
4. A statement of the change or changes being made.

Except for the content of the application, the requirements of G.S. 55-15-03 for obtaining an original certificate of authority apply to obtaining an amended certificate under this section.

(1955, c. 1371, s. 1; 1989, c. 265, s. 1; 1989 (Reg. Sess., 1990), c. 1024, s. 12.22.)