# §982. Prohibition against issuance of stock or payment of dividends

The corporation shall have no power to issue any shares of stock or to declare or pay any dividends.

(Pub. L. 86-680, §12, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

### § 983. Books and records; inspection

The corporation shall keep correct and complete books and records of account and shall keep minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of governors, and committees having any of the authority of the board of governors; and it shall also keep at its principal office a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote. All books and records of the corporation may be inspected by any member entitled to vote, or his agent or attorney, for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

(Pub. L. 86-680, §13, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576.)

# § 984. Repealed. Pub. L. 88–504, § 4(34), Aug. 30, 1964, 78 Stat. 637

Section, Pub. L. 86–680, §14, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 576, related to audit of financial transactions and report of such audit to Congress. See sections 1101 to 1103 of this title.

## § 985. Use of assets on dissolution or liquidation

Upon dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, after discharge or satisfaction of all outstanding obligations and liabilities, the remaining assets, if any, of the corporation shall be distributed in accordance with the determination of the board of governors of the corporation and in compliance with the charter and bylaws of the corporation and all Federal and State laws applicable thereto.

(Pub. L. 86-680, §15, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

# § 986. Duration of corporation

The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.

(Pub. L. 86-680, §16, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

# § 987. Acquisition of assets and liabilities of existing corporation

The corporation may acquire the assets of the Agricultural Hall of Fame, a general not-for-profit corporation organized under the laws of the State of Missouri, upon discharging or satisfactorily providing for the payment and discharge of all of the liabilities of such corporation

(Pub. L. 86-680, §17, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

# § 988. Reservation of right to amend or repeal chapter

The right to alter, amend, or repeal this chapter is expressly reserved.

(Pub. L. 86-680, §18, Aug. 31, 1960, 74 Stat. 577.)

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## § 1001. Corporation created

The following persons, to wit:

President: Mabel R. Ginder, Toledo, Ohio;

Senior vice president: Jessie Johnston, Cheyenne, Wyoming;

Junior vice president: Irene Randolph, Minneapolis, Minnesota:

Secretary: Bessie K. Coughlin, Providence, Rhode Island;

Treasurer: Ocie M. Tumey, Springfield, Illinois, executive officers;

Legislative committee: Laura I. Smith, chairman, 16 Temple Street, Providence, Rhode Island; Ethel Ferris Hasenbuhler, Washington, District of Columbia; and Marie Morgan, Indianapolis, Indiana:

Past national presidents: Cora M. Davis, Nehalem, Oregon; Catherine McBride Hoster, Indianapolis, Indiana; Annie Poole Atwood, Wollaston, Massachusetts; Beatrice J. Tyson, DeBary, Florida; Lizetta Coady, Detroit, Michigan; Mary J. Love, Louisville, Kentucky; Ida Heacock Baker, Parsons, Kansas; Elizabeth L. Kothe, Parkersburg, Iowa; Grace Houlette Hahn, Miami, Florida; Louise Haider, Santa Barbara, California; Anne Anschutz, Saint Louis, Missouri; Laura I. Smith, Providence, Rhode Island; Alice F. Larson, Minot, North Dakota; Grayce L. Vedetta, Brooklyn, New York: Harriette G. McCollough, Des Moines, Iowa; Eula M. Nelson, Springfield, Illinois; Daisy Heinemann, Milwaukee, Wisconsin; Grace L. Johnson, Toledo, Ohio; Ruth E. Johnson, Bellflower, California; Lucille V. Rand, Worcester, Massachusetts; Gertrude M. Edwards, Iroquois, South Dakota; Bessie K. Coughlin, Providence, Rhode Island; Elizabeth Jeans, Saint Louis, Missouri; and Josephine E. Parkhurst, Pulaski, New York, and their successors, are created and declared to be a body corporate of the District of Columbia, where its legal domicile shall be, by the name of the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic (hereafter referred to as the corporation), and by such name shall be known and have perpetual succession and the powers, limitations and restrictions herein contained

(Pub. L. 87-650, §1, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 502.)

#### References in Text

Herein, referred to in text, means Pub. L. 87–650, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 502, as amended, which is classified generally to this chapter. For complete classification of this Act to the Code, see Tables.

#### CODIFICATION

A provision of this section requiring the persons named in this section to file a copy of this chapter with the Superintendent of Corporations of the District of Columbia within fifteen days after Sept. 7, 1962, has been omitted from the Code.

SECTION REFERRED TO IN OTHER SECTIONS

This section is referred to in section 1002 of this title.

# § 1002. Completion of organization

A majority of the persons named in section 1001 of this title, acting in person or by written proxy, are authorized to complete the organization of the corporation by the selection of officers, the adoption of a constitution and bylaws not inconsistent with this chapter, and the doing of such other acts as may be necessary for such purpose.

(Pub. L. 87-650, §2, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

# § 1003. Purposes of corporation

The purposes of the corporation shall be: To perpetuate the memory of the Grand Army of the Republic, as we the National Woman's Relief Corps are their auxiliary and were organized at their request in 1883, and of men who saved the Union in 1861 to 1865; to assist in every practicable way in the preservation and making available for research of documents and records pertaining to the Grand Army of the Republic and its members; to cooperate in doing honor to all those who have patriotically served our country in any war; to teach patriotism and the duties of citizenship, the true history of our country, and the love and honor of our flag; to oppose every tendency or movement that would weaken loyalty to, or make for the destruction or impairment of, our constitutional Union; and to inculcate and broadly sustain the American principles of representative government, of equal rights, and of impartial justice for all.

(Pub. L. 87-650, §3, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

# § 1004. Powers of corporation

The corporation shall have power—

- (1) to have succession by its corporate name;
- (2) to sue and be sued, complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction;
  - (3) to adopt, use, and alter a corporate seal;
- (4) to choose such officers, as the corporation may require;
- (5) to adopt, amend, and alter a constitution and bylaws; not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which the corporation is to operate, for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs:
  - (6) to contract and be contracted with;

(7) to take by lease, gift, purchase, grants, devise, or bequest from any public body or agency or any private corporation, association, partnership, firm, or individual and to hold absolutely or in trust for any of the purposes of the corporation any property, real, personal, or mixed, necessary or convenient for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the corporation, subject, however, to applicable provisions of law of any State, (A) governing the amount or kind of property which may be held by, or (B) otherwise limiting or controlling the ownership of property by, a corporation operating in such State; and

(8) to transfer, convey, lease, sublease, encumber, and otherwise alienate real, personal, or mixed property.

(Pub. L. 87-650, §4, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

# § 1005. Membership

Eligibility for membership in the corporation and the rights, privileges, and designation of classes of members shall, except as provided in this chapter, be determined as the constitution and bylaws of the corporation may provide. Eligibility for membership in the corporation shall be women, who are the wives, mothers, daughters, and sisters of Union soldiers, sailors, and marines and other loyal women, who have not given aid or comfort to the enemies of the United States of America.

(Pub. L. 87-650, §5, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 503.)

## § 1006. Governing body

The supreme governing authority of the corporation shall be the national convention thereof, composed of such officers and elected representatives from the several States as shall be provided by the rules and regulations: *Provided*, That the form of the government of the corporation shall always be representative of the membership at large and shall not permit the concentration of the control thereof in the hands of a limited number of members or in a self-perpetuating group not so representative. The meetings of the national convention may be held in any State or in the District of Columbia.

(Pub. L. 87-650, §6, Sept. 7, 1962, 76 Stat. 504.)

# § 1007. Governing board

# (a) Executive officers

During the intervals between the national convention the executive officers shall be the governing board of the corporation and shall be held responsible for the general policies, program, and activities of the corporation.

# (b) Initial officers

Upon the enactment of this chapter the membership of the initial executive officers of the corporation shall consist of the executive officers of the National Woman's Relief Corps, Auxiliary to the Grand Army of the Republic, the corporation described in section 1018 of this title, or such of them as may then be living and are qualified members of said executive officers, to wit: Mabel R. Ginder, Jessie Johnston, Irene Randolph, Bessie K. Coughlin, Ocie M. Tumey,