



Accessing Your State Corporation Laws

IMPORTANT NOTE: The following will detail suggestions for accessing your state's corporation laws. **Laws change overnight. Use the information provided as a starting point.** Website and telephone contact information found in the Appendix sections of **Incorporate for Wealth™: The Attorney's Secrets!** should be used to verify state guidelines. We always suggest contacting the Secretary of State and to ensure that no changes have occurred.

If you have a question about state law please consult with an attorney.

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Alabama

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

<http://www.legislature.state.al.us/CodeofAlabama/1975/coatoc.htm>

Click on Title 10, Then Select Chapter 2A and 2B

Alaska

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Alaska has an online searchable database of its Corporation statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by typing: <http://www.legis.state.ak.us/cgi-bin/folioisa.dll/stattx04> into your web browser.
- 2) Then click on plus sign before title 10: **+** **Title 10: CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS**
- 3) **After clicking on the plus sign you will see an expanded view of the contents of title 10.**
- 4) **You may scroll through the Alaska Business Corporation Act by clicking the 'next' button** 

The Act is found starting at Title 10.05

Arizona

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Arizona Corporation Act by copying the following address in your browser:
<http://www.azleg.state.az.us/ArizonaRevisedStatutes.asp?Title=10> Title 10; Chapter 1 thru 18 covers 'for profit' corporations. Professional Corporations are covered in Chapter 20.




Arkansas

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Arkansas Corporation act is called the Small Business Entity Tax Pass Through Act. You can find the Arkansas Corporation Act by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.arkleg.state.ar.us/Siteindex.asp?>

Next click the link titled 'Arkansas Code'. Open following folders and subfolders:  'Title 4. Business and Commercial Law', then select:  'Subtitle 3: Corporations and Associations' and lastly, select:  Chapter 26 and Chapter 27.

NOTE: Be sure to click on 'Document' at the left hand side results screen!

California

State Information


I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

California's corporation may be accessed by clicking on the following link: <http://www.leginfo.ca.gov/>
Click on the blue button at the bottom of the page titled: 'California Law'. Then check the box titled 'Corporations Code' and 'click' search.

Colorado

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Colorado's Corporation Act is found in the Colorado Revised Statutes, in Title 7, Article 1. You may find them by 'copy and pasting' the following into your web browser:
<http://198.187.128.12/colorado/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=fs-main.htm&2.0> At the left side of the screen you will see list of the contents. Select **Title 7 'Corporations and Associations'** by clicking on the '+' sign. Then select 'Colorado Corporation Code'. **You may scroll through the Act by clicking the button titled 'Next Doc' as shown:** 

NOTE: Current provisions of the "Colorado Business Corporation Act" will also be found in Articles 101 to 117 of Tile 7.

Connecticut

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You may browse the Connecticut Corporation Act by 'copying' the following into your web browser:
<http://www.cga.ct.gov/2005/pub/Chap601.htm>

Delaware

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Delaware Corporation Act should be review at the following website:
http://www.delcode.state.de.us/title8/c001/index.htm#P-1_0

The Delaware Corporation Act is found in Title 8, Chapter 1. An index of the Delaware statutes may be found here: <http://www.delcode.state.de.us/index.htm>

District of Columbia

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The District of Columbia corporation statutes should be review at the following website:

<http://government.westlaw.com/linkedslice/default.asp?SP=DCC-1000>

First, copy the above link and 'paste' it into your web browser. Select the link titled '**TITLE 29. CORPORATIONS**'.

Florida

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Florida corporation statutes should be review at the following website:

<http://www.leg.state.fl.us/Statutes/index.cfm?Mode=View%20Statutes&Submenu=1&Tab=statutes>

First, copy the above link and 'paste' it into your web browser. Select the link titled, '**TITLE XXXVI BUSINESS ORGANIZATIONS**'. Next select, '**Chapter 607 CORPORATIONS**'

Georgia

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Georgia Corporation statutes should be reviewed at the following website:

http://www.legis.state.ga.us/cgi-bin/gl_codes_detail.pl?code=14-2-101

Hawaii

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Hawaii Corporation Act should be reviewed at the following website:

http://www.capitol.hawai.gov/hrscurrent/Vol08_Ch0401-0429/HRS0414/HRS_0414-0001.htm

Click the 'Next' Button to browse the corporation laws.

Idaho

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Idaho corporation statutes are found in Title 30 of the Idaho statutes and should be reviewed at the following website: <http://www3.state.id.us/idstat/TOC/30001JTOC.html>

Illinois

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Illinois corporation statutes begin at **805 ILCS 5** and should be reviewed at the following website:
<http://www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs2.asp?ChapterID=65>

Indiana

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Indiana corporation statutes are found in Chapters 17 to 54 of the Indiana Code. The chapters should be reviewed at the following website: <http://www.in.gov/legislative/ic/code/title23/ar1/>

Iowa

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Iowa corporation statutes should be reviewed at the following website:

<http://www.sos.state.ia.us/business/Corporation.html>

Please click on the link at the top of the page titled '[Iowa Code chapter 490A](#)'.

Next, enter the number '490' in the first field titled, 'Search for documents'

Be sure to click 'More...' at the bottom of the search screen to view each section of the Act.

Kansas

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Kansas Corporation Act by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.kslegislature.org/legsrv-statutes/index.do>

You will see a list of statutes in a small scrollable window in the top portion of the web page. Scroll down to '**Chapter 17, Corporations**'. Click the button 'List Articles in Chapter'. Then select '**Article 60, Formation of Corporations**'. Click the button 'List Articles in Chapter'. Next select '**Section 17-6001**' and click the button 'Get Statute'. You can go move between statute section by clicking 'Next' or 'Previous' on the upper right and left sections of the screen.

Kentucky

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Kentucky corporation statutes should be reviewed at the following website:

<http://www.lrc.ky.gov/KRS/271B01/CHAPTER.HTM>

Louisiana

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Louisiana corporation Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.legis.state.la.us/lss/lss.asp?doc=76098>

Note: Be sure to click 'next section' in order scroll through the corporation laws.

Maine

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Maine corporation laws are found in Title 13. You can browse the Act by clicking the link below:

<http://janus.state.me.us/legis/statutes/13/title13ch0sec0.html>

Maryland

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Maryland has an online searchable database of its corporation statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting':
<http://198.187.128.12/maryland/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=fs-main.htm&2.0> into your web browser.
- 2) Then click on plus sign before:  **MARYLAND CODE**
- 3) Then click on the plus sign before:  **CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS**
- 4) Then review Title 1 thru Title 3.

Massachusetts

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Massachusetts in TITLE XXI.
CORPORATIONS, Chapter 156B.

Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.mass.gov/legis/laws/mgl/gl-156b-toc.htm>

Michigan

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Michigan Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.legislature.mi.gov/>

You will reach the web page of the state legislature. You should enter the following statute number: '450.1101' in the space provided under the heading 'Michigan Compiled Laws'. Then click 'Go!'. You can browse the state corporation act by clicking the left and right arrows in the navigation bar on the left hand side of your computer screen.

Minnesota

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Minnesota rules starting in Chapter 300

Browse the Corporation Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:


<http://www.revisor.leg.state.mn.us/stats/300.html>

Mississippi

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Mississippi has an online searchable database of its corporation statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting':
<http://198.187.128.12/mississippi/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=fs-main.htm&2.0> into your web browser.
- 2) Then click on plus sign before:  **Title 79 CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS**
- 3) Then select 'Chapter 4'

Missouri

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Missouri Corporation Act in Title XXIII, Chapter 347.

Browse the Corporation Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.moga.state.mo.us/STATUTES/C351.HTM>

Montana

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Montana's state rules in Title 35, Chapter 1 Montana Business Corporations Act. Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

http://data.opi.state.mt.us/bills/mca_toc/35_1.htm

Nebraska

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Nebraska has an online searchable database of its corporation statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting': <http://srvwww.unicam.state.ne.us/Statutes2005.html> into your web browser.
- 2) Scroll down to the link titled: Chapter 21 - Corporations and Other Companies and 'click' on the link.
- 3) Next, scroll down to the Section 21-1920(you will scroll quite far down the list). You can toggle between the pages using the 'Previous' and 'Next' buttons at the top of the page. You may also select the sections you wish to view by clicking the appropriate link(s).

Nevada

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Nevada Corporation Act in Title 7, Chapter 78 Nevada of the Nevada Revised Statutes (NRS). Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-078.html>

New Hampshire

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the New Hampshire Corporation Act in TITLE XXVII, Chapter 293A Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:


<http://www.gencourt.state.nh.us/ras/html/indexes/293-A.html>

New Jersey

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT

Accessing the New Jersey corporation statutes is slightly cumbersome, you may find the following hints useful:

- 1) You can access the New Jersey corporation statutes by 'copy and pasting' the following web page address into your browser: <http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/>
- 2) On the left hand side of the website you find a section titled, 'Laws and Constitution'. Click on the link titled, 'Statutes'.
- 3) Scroll down and click the small plus sign  to the left of Title 14A 'Corporations'.
- 4) You may toggle through the corporation act by clicking the next button on at the top of the page:



New Mexico

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Accessing the New Mexico corporation statutes is slightly cumbersome, you may find the following hints useful:

- 1) You can access the New Mexico statutes by 'copy and pasting' the following web page address into your browser: <http://legis.state.nm.us/lcs/siteindex.asp>
- 2) You will be taken to an index of the state legislature's website. Scroll down to the alphabetized section 'S'. Click on the link titled 'Statutes'.
- 3) You will see a list of folders on the left hand side of the screen. Click on the folder before the link: [Statutory Chapters in New Mexico Statutes Annotated 1978](#)
- 4) Scroll down to [Item 53. Corporations](#) and click on the folder.
- 5) Review Article 11 thru Article 18.

New York

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Accessing the New York corporation statute is fairly simple to access:

- 1) 'Copy and pasting' the following web page address into your browser: <http://assembly.state.ny.us/leg/>
- 2) Click on 'New York State Laws' on the right hand side of the screen
- 3) Next scroll down to the section titled 'BSC Business Corporation'. Click the link.

North Carolina

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the North Carolina Business Corporation Act in Chapter 55 of the state statutes:
<http://www.ncleg.net/gascripts/Statutes/StatutesTOC.pl?Chapter=0055>

North Dakota

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

North Dakota's Corporation Act is found in Chapter 10 of the state statutes. At the time of this publication, the 2006 version was available online so be wary of changes. Contact the legislature to obtain the most recent version of the Act.

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting' into your web browser:
<http://www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t10.html>

Ohio

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Ohio has an online searchable database of its statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here are some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting' into your web browser:
<http://www.legislature.state.oh.us/laws.cfm>
- 2) At the left-hand side of the page you will see link titled 'Ohio Revised Code'. Please 'click' the link.
- 3) You will be taken to 'Anderson's Online Ohio Documents'.
- 4) Please click on the Title XVII 'Corporations-Partnerships'.
- 5) The laws for corporations will begin in chapter 1701 titled, 'General Corporation Law'

Oklahoma

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Oklahoma has its corporation statutes online. The files are in Microsoft Rich Text Format® (called .rtf format). Accessing the statute is slightly cumbersome so here are some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting' into your web browser:
<http://www2.lsb.state.ok.us/>
- 2) Scroll down to Title 18. Corporations and click on the link.
- 3) A large document will open in .rtf or Microsoft Word®, depending on your computer software.

You may also access the state legislature's home page at http://www2.lsb.state.ok.us/tsrs/os_oc.htm and typing in the section you are looking for. Click 'Go' in order search for the relevant section.

Oregon

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Oregon corporation statutes are found in Chapter 63 of the Oregon Revised Statutes. Browse the Corporation Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.leg.state.or.us/ors/060.html>

Pennsylvania

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Surprisingly, the Pennsylvania Corporation Act is not available online. You should contact the Corporation Bureau to obtain a copy of the act. You can review the Corporation Act by visiting a local law library and requesting Title 19 – Corporations and Business Associations.

Rhode Island

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Rhode Island has its corporation statutes online. You may also click on this link to directly access the Corporation Act:

<http://www.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/TITLE7/>

South Carolina

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the South Carolina corporation statutes are found in Title 33 of the South Carolina Codified Statutes, Chapter 1 thru Chapter 20.

Browse the South Carolina corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.scstatehouse.net/code/titl33.htm>

South Dakota

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the South Dakota corporation statutes are found in Title 47 of the South Carolina Codified Statutes.

Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://legis.state.sd.us/statutes/DisplayStatute.aspx?Type=Statute&Statute=47-1A>

Tennessee

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

Tennessee has its corporation statutes online.

Tennessee has an online searchable database of its corporation statutes. The database is slightly cumbersome so here some helpful instructions:

- 1) Access the database by 'copy and pasting'
<http://198.187.128.12/tennessee/lpext.dll?f=templates&fn=fs-main.htm&2.0> into your web browser.
- 2) Then click on plus sign before:  **Title 48 CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS**
- 3) Review Chapter 11 to 27

Texas

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Texas Business Corporation Act is found in Title 2 Chapter 20. General information on all entities is found in Title 1. You should review both Title 1 and Title 3. Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.capitol.state.tx.us/statutes/bo.toc.htm>

Utah

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Utah Revised Business Corporation Act is found in Title 16 - Chapter 10A – Browse the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

http://www.le.state.ut.us/~code/TITLE16/16_04.htm

Vermont

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT

You can find the Vermont Corporation Act is found in Title 11 – 'Corporations, Partnerships and Associations', Chapter 17– 'Corporations'

Browse the CORPORATION Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/fuCorporationhapter.cfm?Title=11&Chapter=017>

Virginia

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Virginia corporation laws in Title 13.1 – ‘Corporations’, Chapter 13.1.

Browse the Virginia Corporation Statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+cod+TOC1301000>

Washington

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

The Washington Business Corporation Act is found in Title 23B. You can view the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://apps.leg.wa.gov/RCW/default.aspx?cite=23B>

West Virginia

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the West Virginia Business Corporation Act in Chapter 31D. You can view the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://www.legis.state.wv.us/WVCODE/31D/masterfrmFrm.htm>

Click on each section to the left of the screen to view content.

Wisconsin

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Wisconsin corporation statutes in Chapter 180 of the Act. You can view corporation laws by copying the following address in your browser:

http://folio.legis.state.wi.us/cgi-bin/om_isapi.dll?infobase=stats.nfo&softpage=Browse_Frame_Pg

Next, scroll down to Chapter 180 on the left hand side of the screen. Clicking ‘Chapter 180’ will open up the Wisconsin business corporation statutes.

Wyoming

State Information

I. BROWSE STATE CORPORATION ACT:

You can find the Wyoming Business Corporation Act in Title 17, Chapter 16 of the Act. You can view the corporation statutes by copying the following address in your browser:

<http://legisweb.state.wy.us/statutes/titles/title17/chapter16.htm>