

**Arizona Corporation Commission**  
**CORPORATIONS DIVISION**

**Mission:**

To approve corporate names and grant corporate or limited liability company status to entities organizing under the laws of the State of Arizona; to grant authority to foreign corporations and limited liability companies to transact business in this State; to collect annual reports from all corporations of record; and to maintain corporate and limited liability company records for the benefit of public record and service of process.

**Description:**

The Corporations Division is comprised of five Sections (Annual Reports, Corporate Filings, Records, Call Center, Initial Processing). The Division also has a few staff members in the Tucson office of the Corporation Commission to provide some services to the residents of Southern Arizona.

The Corporations Division approves for filing all articles of incorporation, amendments to articles, mergers, consolidations, withdrawals, and dissolutions for Arizona corporations; approves corporate and limited liability company (LLC) names; approves all articles of organization, amendments, changes, and terminations for LLCs; grants authority to foreign corporations and LLCs transacting business in this State; propounds interrogatories when necessary; and may administratively dissolve or revoke corporations and LLCs that do not comply with specific provisions of Arizona law.

The Division collects from every corporation an annual report reflecting the current statutory agent, corporate addresses, amount of stock issued (for-profits), lists of officers and directors, Certificate of Disclosure, and Statement of Bankruptcy. The Division updates the corporation's public record with information provided by the annual report and also when amendments or changes are submitted by the corporation. The Division must maintain all information on corporations and LLCs in a data format conducive to public access; respond to public questions concerning Arizona corporations and LLCs; and respond to the needs of the business sector by disseminating information. The Division has limited investigatory powers and no regulatory authority. Arizona corporations and LLCs, however, may be administratively dissolved if certain statutory requirements are not met. Likewise, the authority of foreign (non-Arizona) corporations or LLCs to transact business in Arizona may be administratively revoked. The Division acts as an agent for Arizona corporations and limited liability companies whenever either entity does not maintain a statutory agent or when the agent cannot be located. In these instances, service of process directed to the entity is accepted by the Records Section on behalf of the entity. The Division is working towards improving efficiency through modernization of electronic processing and enhancing the Division's information technology and infrastructure.