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§ 31105. Powers

The corporation may—

- (1) adopt and amend a constitution and by-laws for the management of its property and the regulation of its affairs;
- (2) adopt and alter a corporate seal;
- (3) choose officers, managers, agents, and employees as the activities of the corporation require;
- (4) make contracts;
- (5) acquire, own, lease, encumber, and transfer property as necessary or convenient to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
- (6) borrow money, issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its obligations by granting security interests in its property; and
- (7) sue and be sued.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1327.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31105	36:694(2)-(9). 36:706.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §§ 4(2)-(9), 16, 70 Stat. 1052, 1056.

In this section, the text of 36:706 is omitted as executed and obsolete.

In clause (1), the words “and alter” and “not inconsistent with the laws of the United States or any State in which the corporation is to operate” are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (2), the word “use” is omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (4), the words “make contracts” are substituted for “contract and be contracted with” to eliminate unnecessary words.

Clause (5) is substituted for “take by lease, gift, purchase, grant, devise, or bequest from any private corporation, association, partnership, firm, or individual and to hold any property, real, personal, or mixed, necessary or convenient for attaining the objects and carrying into effect the purposes of the corporation” and “transfer, convey, lease, sublease, encumber and otherwise alienate real, personal or mixed property” for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words. The words “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” are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (6), the words “for the purposes of the corporation” are omitted as unnecessary. The words “issue instruments of indebtedness, and secure its obligations by granting security interests in its property” are substituted for “issue bonds therefor, and secure the same by mortgage, deed of trust, pledge, or otherwise” to eliminate unnecessary words. The words “subject in every case to all applicable provisions of Federal and State laws” are omitted as unnecessary.

In clause (7), the words “complain and defend in any court of competent jurisdiction” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 31106. Restrictions

(a) STOCK AND DIVIDENDS.—The corporation may not issue stock or declare or pay a dividend.

(b) POLITICAL ACTIVITIES.—The corporation or a director or officer as such may not contribute

to, support, or assist a political party or candidate for public office.

(c) DISTRIBUTION OF INCOME OR ASSETS.—The income or assets of the corporation may not inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to, a director, officer, or member as such during the life of the corporation or on its dissolution or final liquidation. This subsection does not prevent the payment of compensation to an officer in an amount approved by the board of directors.

(d) LOANS.—The corporation may not make a loan or advance to a director, officer, or employee. Directors who vote for or assent to making a loan or advance to a director, officer, or employee, and officers who participate in making the loan or advance, are jointly and severally liable to the corporation for the amount of the loan or advance until it is repaid.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31106(a)	36:702.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §§ 9, 10, 12, 70 Stat. 1055.
31106(b)	36:700.	
31106(c)	36:699(a).	
31106(d)	36:699(b).	

In subsection (a), the words “any shares of” are omitted as unnecessary.

In subsection (c), the words “inure to the benefit of” are substituted for “inure to” for consistency in the revised title.

In subsection (d), the words “or advance” are added in 2 places for consistency in the subsection.

§ 31107. Principal office

The principal office of the corporation shall be in New York, New York, or another place decided by the board of directors. However, the activities of the corporation are not confined to the place where the principal office is located but may be conducted throughout the States, territories, and possessions of the United States.

(Pub. L. 105-225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1328.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

Revised Section	Source (U.S. Code)	Source (Statutes at Large)
31107	36:695(a).	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, § 5(a), 70 Stat. 1053.

The word “various” is omitted as unnecessary.

§ 31108. Records and inspection

(a) RECORDS.—The corporation shall keep—

- (1) correct and complete records of account;
- (2) minutes of the proceedings of its members, board of directors, and committees having any of the authority of its board of directors; and
- (3) at its principal office, a record of the names and addresses of its members entitled to vote.

(b) INSPECTION.—A member entitled to vote, or an agent or attorney of the member, may inspect the records of the corporation for any proper purpose, at any reasonable time.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
31108	36:703.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §13, 70 Stat. 1055.

The word “records” is substituted for “books and records” for consistency in the revised title and with other titles of the United States Code.

§ 31109. Service of process

The corporation shall have a designated agent in the District of Columbia to receive service of process for the corporation. Notice to or service on the agent, or mailed to the business address of the agent, is notice to or service on the corporation.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1328.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
31109	36:695(b).	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §5(b), 70 Stat. 1053.

The words “at all times” are omitted as unnecessary.

§ 31110. Liability for acts of officers and agents

The corporation is liable for the acts of its officers and agents acting within the scope of their authority.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1328.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
31110	36:701.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §11, 70 Stat. 1055.

§ 31111. Distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation

On dissolution or final liquidation of the corporation, any assets remaining after the discharge of all liabilities shall be distributed as provided by the board of directors, but in compliance with the constitution and bylaws of the corporation.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1329.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
31111	36:705.	Aug. 6, 1956, ch. 976, §15, 70 Stat. 1056.

The word “satisfaction” is omitted as included in “discharge”, and the word “obligations” is omitted as included in “liabilities”. The words “outstanding” and “all Federal and State laws applicable thereto” are omitted as unnecessary.

CHAPTERS 313 THROUGH 399—RESERVED

AMENDMENTS

2014—Pub. L. 113–237, §3(b)(2), Dec. 18, 2014, 128 Stat. 2836, added placeholder for chapters 313 to 399.

CHAPTER 401—CATHOLIC WAR VETERANS OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA, INCORPORATED

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§ 40101. Definition

For purposes of this chapter, “State” includes the District of Columbia and the territories and possessions of the United States.

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HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
40101	36:2613.	Aug. 17, 1984, Pub. L. 98–382, §14, 98 Stat. 1345.

The words “the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico” are omitted as included in “the territories and possession of the United States”.

§ 40102. Organization

(a) FEDERAL CHARTER.—Catholic War Veterans of the United States of America, Incorporated (in this chapter, the “corporation”), incorporated in New York, is a federally chartered corporation.

(b) EXPIRATION OF CHARTER.—If the corporation does not comply with any provision of this chapter, the charter granted by this chapter expires.

(Pub. L. 105–225, Aug. 12, 1998, 112 Stat. 1329.)

HISTORICAL AND REVISION NOTES

<i>Revised Section</i>	<i>Source (U.S. Code)</i>	<i>Source (Statutes at Large)</i>
40102(a)	36:2601.	Aug. 17, 1984, Pub. L. 98–382, §§1, 15 (last sentence), 16, 98 Stat. 1343, 1345.
40102(b)	36:2614 (last sentence). 36:2615.	

This section is substituted for the source provisions for consistency in the revised title and to eliminate unnecessary words.

§ 40103. Purposes

The purposes of the corporation are as provided in the articles of incorporation and include a continuing commitment, on a national basis, to—

(1) preserve, protect, and defend the Constitution of the United States and the laws of the States;

(2) commemorate the wars, campaigns, and military actions of the United States to reflect profound respect, high honor, and great tribute on the glorious dead and the surviving