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State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE
CORPORATIONS DIVISION

Corp. I.D. #

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APPLICATION FOR
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
OF
WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION

To the Secretary of State
of the State of Rhode Island

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-103 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in the State of Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

FIRST: The name of the corporation is WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION

SECOND: The name which it elects to use in Rhode Island is
WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION

(If the name of the corporation does not contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or an abbreviation of one of such words, insert the name of the corporation with the word or abbreviation which it elects to add thereto for use in Rhode Island:)

THIRD: It is incorporated under the laws of Minnesota

FOURTH: The date of its incorporation is July 7, 1982 and the period of its duration is Perpetual

FIFTH: The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 620 Opperman Drive, Eagan, Minnesota 55123

SIXTH: The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 222 Jefferson Blvd. Ste. 200, Warwick, R.I. 02888 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at that address is National Registered Agents, Inc.

Signature

Della Taliento, Assistant Secretary

SEVENTH: The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are

Publishing
purposes.

Sales and service of legal information products and all other lawful

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EIGHTH: The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Office</u>	<u>Address</u>
	Director	
*****SEE ATTACHED*****	Director	
	Director	
	President	
	Vice President	
*****SEE ATTACHED*****	Secretary	
	Treasurer	

NINTH: The aggregate number of shares which it has authority to issue, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

<u>Number of Shares</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Par Value per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value</u>
1,000	Common	---	No par value

TENTH: The aggregate number of its issued shares, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

<u>Number of Shares</u>	<u>Class</u>	<u>Series</u>	<u>Par Value per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value</u>
801	Common	----	No par value

ELEVENTH: An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by it for the following year, wherever located, is \$271,210,000

TWELFTH: An estimate of the value of its property to be located within Rhode Island during such year is \$78,250

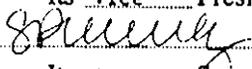
THIRTEENTH: An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it during such year is \$1,250,000,000

FOURTEENTH: An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it at or from places of business in Rhode Island during such year is \$-0-

FIFTEENTH: This Application is accompanied by a copy of its articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, duly authenticated by the proper officer of the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated.

Dated January 8, 1997

WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION
(Exact Corporate Name of Corporation Making Application)

By 
Its Vice President
and 
Its Asst. Secretary

STATE OF Connecticut }
COUNTY OF Fairfield } Sc.

At Fairfield, Connecticut in said County on the 8th day
of January 1997, before me personally appeared Michael S. Harris
, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that
he is the Vice President of WEST PUBLISHING CORPORATION,
that he signed the foregoing document as such Vice President of the
corporation, and that the statements therein contained are true.


Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

ALISON L. PALMER
NOTARY PUBLIC
MY COM. EXPIRES 06/30/2002

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To All To Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

Whereas, Articles of Incorporation, duly signed and acknowledged under oath, have been filed for record in the office of the Secretary of State, on the 7th day of July, A. D. 1922 for the incorporation of

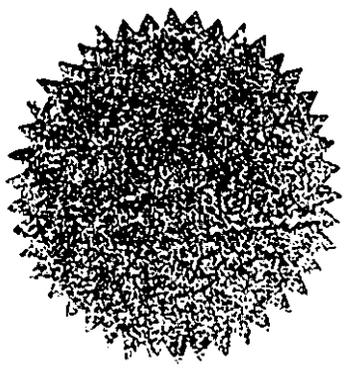
WESTLAW Services, Inc.

under and in accordance with the provisions of Minnesota Statutes, Chapter 302A

Now, Therefore, by virtue of the powers and duties vested in me by law as Secretary of State of the State of Minnesota I do hereby certify that the said

WESTLAW Services, Inc.

is a legally organized Corporation under the laws of this State



Witness my official signature hereunto subscribed and the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota hereunto affixed this seventh day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighty-two

Jean Anderson Grove
Secretary of State