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(Section 7-1.1-124)

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
CORPORATIONS DIVISION  
100 NORTH MAIN STREET  
PROVIDENCE, RI 02903-1335

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Corp. ID. # 23-2116774

BUSINESS CORPORATION

APPLICATION FOR  
CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY  
OF

B. Braun Medical Inc.

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 B. Braun Medical Inc.

SECOND: The name which it elects to use in Rhode Island is B. Braun Medical Inc.

(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 Pennsylvania

FOURTH: The date of its incorporation is 9/12/79 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 824 Twelfth Ave., P.O. Box 4027, Bethlehem, PA 18018

SIXTH: The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 170 Westminster Street, Suite 900, Providence, RI 02903 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at that address is Corporation Service Company

Carol V. Dole  
Signature

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

To engage in any lawful act or activity permitted in Rhode Island, including but not limited to the manufacture and sale of medical products.

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

Name	Office	Address
See Attached	Director	
	Director	
	Director	
	President	
	Vice President	
	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:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
100,000	Common		1.00

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:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value per Share or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
100,000	Common		1.00

ELEVENTH: An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by it for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 91,405,000

TWELFTH: An estimate of the value of its property to be located within Rhode Island during such year is \$ 10,000

THIRTEENTH: An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by it during such year is \$ 500,000,000

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 \$ None

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 12/19, 19 97

B. Braun Medical Inc.  
[Exact Corporate Name of Corporation Making Application]

By: [Signature]  
Its Vice President  
and [Signature]  
Its Secretary

STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA }  
COUNTY OF LEHIGH } Sec.

At Bethlehem, Pennsylvania in said County on the 19th day  
of December, 19 97, before me personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
Thomas J. Young, who being by me first duly sworn, declared that  
he/she is the Vice President - Finance of B. Braun Medical Inc.,  
that he/she signed the foregoing document as such Vice President of  
the corporation, and that the statements therein contained are true.

[Signature]  
Notary Public

(NOTARIAL SEAL)

Notarial Seal  
Mary L. Scott, Notary Public  
Bethlehem, Lehigh County  
My Commission Expires Jan 29, 1999



COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA

DEPARTMENT OF STATE

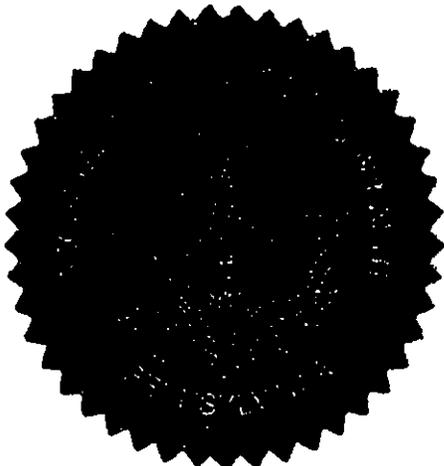
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TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME, GREETING:

B. BRAUN MEDICAL INC.

I, Yvette Kane, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania do hereby certify that the foregoing and annexed is a true and correct photocopy of Articles of Incorporation and all Amendments

which appear of record in this department



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Secretary's Office to be affixed, the day and year above written.

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Yvette Kane".

Secretary of the Commonwealth

SSC: