
VIRGINIA.

Certificate of Incorporation

OF

THE AMERICAN CHURCH INSTITUTE
FOR NEGROES.

Dated June 12, 1906.

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CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION
OF
THE AMERICAN CHURCH INSTITUTE FOR
NEGROES.

This is to certify that we do hereby associate ourselves to incorporate a charitable and benevolent association, under the provisions, and subject to the requirements, of an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled "An Act Concerning Corporations," which became a law on the 21st day of May, 1903, for the purposes and under the corporate name hereinafter mentioned :

FIRST. The name of the corporation is to be "THE AMERICAN CHURCH INSTITUTE FOR NEGROES " ;

SECOND. The name of the city wherein its principal office in this State is to be located is Petersburg.

THIRD. The purpose for which it is formed is to promote the cause of education of the Negroes in the Southern States in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

FOURTH. The number of trustees who are to manage the affairs of the same is twelve.

FIFTH. The names and residences of the officers and trustees who are to manage its affairs for the first year of its existence are:

Name.	Office.	Residence.
David H. Greer	Trustee and President	New York, N. Y.
William Lawrence	Trustee and Vice-President	Boston, Mass.
Edwin S. Lines	Trustee	Newark, N. J.
Reese F. Alsop	Trustee	Brooklyn, New York, N. Y.
Ernest M. Stires	Trustee	New York, N. Y.
Richard P. Williams	Trustee and Secretary	Washington, D. C.
Robert C. Pruyn	Trustee	Albany, N. Y.
George Foster Peabody	Trustee and Treasurer	Brooklyn, New York, N. Y.
Nicholas Murray Butler	Trustee	New York, N. Y.
Francis Lynde Stetson	Trustee	New York, N. Y.
John T. Mack	Trustee	
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SIXTH. There is no period limited for the duration of the corporation.

SEVENTH. The amount of real estate to which its holdings at any time are to be limited is Fifty thousand acres.

EIGHTH. This corporation shall have power to enter into any lawful agreement with the Bishop Payne Divinity and Industrial School in Virginia, a corporation of Virginia, created November 22, 1884; the Saint Paul Normal and Industrial School, a corporation of Virginia, created March 4, 1890, and Saint Augustine's School, a corporation of North Carolina, organized July 19, 1867, and extended February 4th, 1893, or any of them, and also, in the discretion of the trustees of the corporation hereby formed, with any other school or institution, for the education of Negroes in the Southern States in connection with the Protestant Episcopal Church, and especially to undertake the duties of visitor to any institution with which any such agreement shall be made.

The corporation shall have power to receive from

*He was C. Greer
was elected in Mr.
Murray place
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any source, desiring or willing to contribute, moneys for its corporate purposes or for the aid of the several institutions with which any such agreement shall be made, and to appropriate and to give such contributions to such institutions so long, and only so long, as severally and respectively they shall conduct their respective institutions upon lines which shall be approved by the Trustees of this corporation for the promotion of the Christian education of Negroes.

The successors of the original Board of Trustees herein named, and the members of each succeeding Board of Trustees shall be chosen by the Board of Trustees at the time in office. So far as practicable, and legal at all times the Trustees shall be selected from or be nominated by the Board of Missions of the Protestant Episcopal Church. If any Trustee, designated as such because of membership in the Board of Missions, shall cease to be a member of the Board of Missions, his Trusteeship in this corporation may be terminated and the vacancy be filled by the vote of the other Trustees.

The Trustees may appoint a President, a Treasurer, and also a Secretary, and such other officers and agents as they may see fit from either within or without their own number, but except for the purpose of filling vacancies this provision shall not apply during the first year of the corporation's existence.

Given under our hands this 12th day of June in the year 1906.

STATE OF NEW YORK, }
 City and County of New York, } TO WIT :

I, _____, a commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia, for the said State of New York, do certify that

_____ whose names are signed to the writing above, bearing date on the _____ day of June in the year 1906, have acknowledged the same before me in my State aforesaid.

My commission as such Commissioner expires on the _____ day of _____ in the year 19 _____.

Given under my hand and official seal this _____ day of June in the year 1906.

Commissioner appointed by the Governor of the State of Virginia for the State of New York.

VIRGINIA :

In the Corporation Court of the City of Petersburg,
 In Vacation :

The foregoing certificate of incorporation of "The American Church Institute for Negroes," was presented to me, _____, Judge of the Corporation Court of the City of Petersburg, in vacation, and I, having duly ascertained, do hereby certify, that the persons signing and acknowledging the said certificate are of good moral character, and suitable and proper persons to be incorporated for the purposes set forth in the said certificate; and I do further certify, that I am of opinion that such certificate is signed and acknowledged in accordance with an act of the General Assembly of Virginia, entitled "An

Act Concerning Corporations," which became a law on the 21st day of May, in the year 1903.

Given under my hand this _____ day of June in the year 1906.

Judge.

VIRGINIA:

State Corporation Commission, to wit:

The within certificate, duly endorsed by the Judge of the Corporation Court of the city of Petersburg as required by law, having been this day presented to the State Corporation Commission, and this Commission, having so ascertained, doth hereby declare that the applicants have, by complying with the requirements of the law, entitled themselves to a charter for the purposes and on the terms in said certificate set forth, and the same is issued to them accordingly.

This Commission certifies the said certificate, with the endorsements thereon, together with the order of this Commission, to the Secretary of the Commonwealth, to be by him recorded in the charter records of his office.

STATE OF VIRGINIA.

OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE COMMONWEALTH.

The foregoing charter of incorporation of "The American Church Institute for Negroes," was duly received in this office from the State Corporation Commission of Virginia on the _____ day of June in the year 1906, and admitted to record, and, having been duly recorded in the charter records of this office, the same is hereby certified to the Clerk of the Corporation Court of the City of Petersburg, wherein the principal office of such corporation is located, to be recorded by such Clerk in a book provided and kept for that purpose in his office.

Given under my hand the _____ day of June in the year 1906.

Secretary of the Commonwealth.

STATE OF VIRGINIA :

Corporation of the City of Petersburg, to wit :

The within certificate, with the endorsements thereon together with the order of the State Corporation Commission, and with the certificate of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, was duly received in this office from the Secretary of the Commonwealth on the _____ day of June 1906 and admitted to record, and the same have been duly recorded in this office in the book provided and kept for that purpose. The said certificate with all endorsements thereon is returned to the State Corporation Commission to be lodged and preserved in the office of its Clerk as required by law.

Clerk of the Corporation Court of the
City of Petersburg.

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