

Title 31
MERCANTILE PARTNERSHIPS AND ASSUMED BUSINESS NAMES

Section 2
Business under assumed name; filing of certificate

Whenever any person intends to engage in such business as sole proprietor thereof, and to adopt any business name, style, or designation other than his own name exclusively, he shall, before commencing business, deposit in the office of the clerk of the city or town in which such business is to be carried on a certificate signed and sworn to by him, setting forth his name and place of residence, the name, style or designation under which the business is to be conducted, and stating that he is the sole proprietor.

Section 3
Statements of conclusive: perjury

A person signing and making oath to any certificate deposited as provided by sections 1 and 2 shall not be permitted in any judicial proceeding to contradict the statements contained in such certificate. Whoever swears or affirms to any such certificate which is not true in fact shall be deemed guilty of perjury.

Section 4
Records

The clerks of several cities and towns shall record in suitable books, kept exclusively for the purpose, the certificates deposited under sections 1 and 2, and such book shall be open to public inspection.

Section 5
Failure to file: penalty

Whoever fails to deposit seasonably the certificate required by sections 1 and 2 shall be punished by a fine of five dollars (\$5) for each day he is in default.

Section 6
Prohibition of certain names

No person or persons, partnership or other entity engaged in any business, except a corporation, shall adopt a name for such business which contains the words "corporation", "incorporated", or "limited", or any abbreviation of any such words. A limited partnership may use the term "limited partnership" as a part of its name.

Section 7
Inapplicable to corporations

Sections 1 and 2 do not apply to corporations. A corporation desiring to do business under an assumed name shall proceed as proved in Title 13-A, section 307.