



CHAPTER 55D
ARTICLE 2 - SUBMISSION OF DOCUMENTS TO THE SECRETARY OF STATE FOR FILING

N.C.G.S. § 55D-15.

Filing duty of Secretary of State.

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- § 55D-15(a)

If a document delivered to the office of the Secretary of State for filing satisfies the requirements of this Chapter and of Chapter 55, 55A, 55B, 57D, or 59 of the General Statutes, the Secretary of State shall file it. Documents filed with the Secretary of State under this Chapter may be maintained by the Secretary either in their original form or in photographic, microfilm, optical disk media, or other reproduced form. The Secretary may make reproductions of documents filed under this Chapter, or under any predecessor law, by photographic, microfilm, optical disk media, or other means of reproduction, and may destroy the originals of those documents reproduced.
- § 55D-15(b)

The Secretary of State files a document by endorsing "Filed", together with the Secretary's name and official title and the date and time of filing, on the document. After filing a document, the Secretary of State shall deliver a document copy to the person submitting the document for filing and as provided in G.S. 55D-32.
- § 55D-15(c)

If the Secretary of State refuses to file a document, the Secretary shall return it to the person submitting the document for filing within five days after the document was received, together with a written statement of the date of the refusal and a brief explanation of the reason for refusal. The Secretary of State may correct apparent errors and omissions on a document submitted for filing if authorized to make the corrections by the person submitting the document for filing.
- § 55D-15(d)

The Secretary of State's duty is to review and file documents that satisfy the requirements of this Chapter and of Chapter 55, 55A, 55B, 57D, or 59 of the General

Statutes. The Secretary of State's filing or refusing to file a document does not do any of the following:

- (1) Except as provided in G.S. 55-2-03(b), 55A-2-03(b), or 57D-2-20(b), affect the validity or invalidity of the document in whole or part.
- (2) Relate to the correctness or incorrectness of information contained in the document.
- (3) Create a presumption that the document is valid or invalid or that information contained in the document is correct or incorrect.

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APPARATUS I
11 ACTS

Amendment lineage

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Nº	YEAR	ACT	CHARACTER
01	1955	c. 1371, s. 1	ENACTED
02	1967	c. 13, s. 1	AMENDED
03	1967	c. 823, s. 16	AMENDED
04	1989	c. 265, s. 1	AMENDED
05	1989	1989 (Reg. Sess., 1990), c. 1024, s. 12.2	AMENDED
06	1993	c. 552, s. 2	AMENDED
07	1995	c. 539, s. 2	AMENDED
08	2001	S.L. 2001-358, ss. 3(b), 4, 46	AMENDED
09	2001	S.L. 2001-387, ss. 173, 175(a)	AMENDED
10	2001	S.L. 2001-413, s. 6	AMENDED
11	2013	S.L. 2013-157, s. 9	AMENDED

APPARATUS II
2 AUTHORITIES

Authorities referenced

Every G.S. cross-reference appearing in the text of this section, in order of first appearance. Nothing is characterized; the operative language is quoted from the section itself.

REFERENCE	APPEARS IN	OPERATIVE LANGUAGE IN THIS SECTION
G.S. 55D-32	(b)	<i>"for filing and as provided in"</i>
G.S. 55-2	(d)(1)	<i>"Except as provided in"</i>

APPARATUS III

Citation

FULL SECTION

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