an execution issued against the property of said company; and said purchasing company shall have and possess all the rights, franchises and privileges heretofore enjoyed by the company whose property is so acquired, whether the same were acquired under grant from any state, municipality or other corporation; or may consolidate with any other telegraph company or corporation of this or any other state, under such name and with such capital stock, and upon such terms as may be agreed upon between such companies or corporations; and whenever such consolidation as aforesaid is made, a certificate of the same and of the particulars thereof shall be executed and acknowledged by the president or other principal officers of said corporations so consolidating, which said certificate shall be recorded [in the office of the clerk of the circuit court for that county in which the principal office of said consolidated company in this State is located, and when]. WHEN said consolidated company is formed it shall be subject to the provisions of this article AND THE CORPORATIONS AND ASSOCIATIONS ARTICLE, as far as the same are applicable.

## **Article - Corporations and Associations**

1-202.

- [(a)] When the Department accepts for record any charter document or any document designating or changing the name or address of a resident agent or principal office of a Maryland corporation, the Department shall:
- (1) [Indorse] ENDORSE on the document ITS ACCEPTANCE FOR RECORD AND the date and time of [its] acceptance [for record];
  - (2) Record promptly the document with its corporate records;
- [(3) Transmit the recorded document to the clerk of the court of the county where the principal office of the corporation is located; and
  - (4) Issue a certificate which states:
- (i) That the document was accepted for record by the Department; and
  - (ii) The date and time of the acceptance for record.
- (b) The clerk of the court who receives the document shall record it with the corporate records of the court and return] AND
  - (3) RETURN the document to the corporation, its attorney, or its agent.

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(c) A certified copy of the articles of incorporation, certificate of incorporation, or other instrument by which a corporation was formed, from the records of the Department[,] OR the Secretary of State, [or the clerk of the court] is evidence of the existence of the corporation and of its right to exercise the powers mentioned in the document. A certified copy of any other charter document from these records is evidence of the facts and corporate action required to be stated in the document.