

GEORGIA

FULTON COUNTY.

TO THE SUPERIOR COURT OF SAID COUNTY.

The petition of W.J. SIMMONS, H.D. SHACKELFORD, E.R. CLARKSON, J.B. PROST, W.L. SMITH, R.C.W. RAMSPECK, G.D. COUCH, L.M. JOHNSON, A.G. DALLAS, W.E. FLODING, W.C. BENNETT, J.F.V. SAUL all of said State and County, respectfully shows;

1- That they desire for themselves, their associates and successors to be incorporated in the State of Georgia for the period of twenty years, with the right of renewal when and as provided by law, as a Patriotic, Secret, Social, Benevolent Order under the name and style of,

"KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN"

2- The purpose and object of said corporation is to be purely benevolent and eleemosynary, and there shall be no capital stock or profit, or gain to the members thereof.

3- The principal office and place of business shall be in Fulton County, Georgia, but petitioners desire that the corporation shall have the power to issue decrees, edicts and certificates of organization to subordinate branches of the corporation in this or other States of the United States and elsewhere, whenever the same shall be deemed desirable in the conduct of its business.

4- The petitioners desire that the Society shall have the power to confer an initiative and decree-ritualism, fraternal and secret obligations, words, grips, signs, and ceremonies under which there shall be united only white male persons of sound health, good morals and high character; and further desire such rights, powers, and privileges as are now extended to the Independent Order of Odd Fellows, Free and Accepted Order of Masons, Knights of Pythias, et al. under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Georgia.

5- Petitioners desire that there shall be a Supreme Legislative Body in which shall be vested the power to adopt and amend Constitutions and By-Laws for the regulation of the general

purpose and welfare of the Order, and of the subordinate branches of same.

6- Petitioners desire that the "IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION (Supreme Legislative Body) be composed of the Supreme Officers and "Kloppers" , (Delegates) selected by the "KLORORO#(State Convention) of the several "REALMS"(Subordinate Jurisdiction); and of such other persons as the Constitution and by-laws of the Society may provide.

7- Petitioners desire that the business of the Society shall be under the control of the "IMPERIAL WIZARD"(President), who shall be amenable in his official administration to the "IMPERIAL KLONCILIUM" (Supreme Executive Committee), a majority of whom shall have authority to act, and a two-thirds majority power to veto the official acts of the "IMPERIAL WIZARD"(President) in the matters pertaining to the general welfare of the Society; and to contract with other members of the Society for the purpose of promoting and conducting its interests and general welfare in any way, manner, or method he may deem proper for the Society's progress and stability subject to the restrictions of the power of the "IMPERIAL WIZARD" (President) as is heretofore set forth in this paragraph.

8- Petitioners desire that they shall have the right to adopt a Constitution and By-laws and elect the first "KLONCILIUM (Supreme Executive Committee), which shall possess all the powers of the "IMPERIAL KLONVOKATION" (Supreme. Legislative Body) until the first organization and meeting of that body, and shall fix the number title and terms of officers composing said "KLONCILIUM" (Supreme Legislative Committee).

9- Petitioners desire the right to own separate unto itself and to control the sale of all paraphernalia, regalia, stationary, jewelry, and such other materials needed by the subordinate branches of the order for the proper conduct of their business; the right to publish a fraternal magazine and such other literature as

is needed in the conduct of the business of the Order; the right to buy, hold and sell real estate and personal property suitable to the purpose of the said corporation; to sell, exchange or sub-lease the same or any part thereof; to mortgage or create liens thereon; to borrow money and secure the payment thereof by mortgages or deed of trust and to appoint trustees in connection therewith; to execute promissory notes, to have and to use a common seal, to sue and be sued, to plead and be impleaded to do and perform all those things and exercise all those rights, which, under the laws of Georgia, ARE CONFERRED upon SOCIETIES or ORDERS of like character.

lo- WHEREFORE, petitioners pray an order incorporating them, their associates and successors under the name and style aforesaid, with all the powers and privileges necessary to the extension of the Order or the conduct of the business and purposes of Orders of like nature. And your petitioners will ever pray.

E.R. CLARKSON
B.H. SULLIVAN

Petitioner's Attys.

Filed in office this the 26th day of APRIL 1916.

ARNOLD BROYLES, Clerk

GEORGIA----FULTON COUNTY.

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WHEREAS W.J. SIMMONS, H.D. SHACKELFORD, E.R. CLARKSON, J.B. FROST W.L. SMITH, R.C.W. RAMSPECK, G.D. COUCH, L.M. JOHNSON, A.G. DALLIS, W. E. FLODING, W.C. BENNETT, J.F.V. SAUL having filed in the office of the Clerk of the Superior Court of said County their petition seeking the formation of a corporation to be known as the "KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN" a purely benevolent and eleemosynary society having no capital stock for the purpose of conducting a Patriotic, Secret, Social, Benevolent Order, and having complied with the statutes in such cases made and provided and upon the hearing of said petition, the Court being satisfied that the application is legitimately within the pu-

review and intention of the Civil Code of 1910, and laws amendatory thereof, it is hereby ordered and declared that said application is granted, and the above named petitioners and their successors are hereby incorporated under the said name and style of the KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN for and during the period of twenty years, with the privilege of renewal at the expiration of that time, according to the provisions of the laws of this State, and said incorporators and their successors are hereby clothed with all the rights, privileges, and powers, mentioned in said petition, and made subject to all the restrictions and liabilities fixed by law. This 1st day of JULY 1916.

J.T. PENDLETON, Judge S.C.A.C.

GEORGIA,)
FULTON COUNTY.) ss.

I, Arnold Broyles, Clerk of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia do hereby certify that I have compared the foregoing copy of

APPLICATION of the KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN

FOR INCORPORATION, with order of COURT granting same, with the original record thereof, now remaining in this office, and the same is a correct transcript therefrom, and of the whole of such original record, and that said Court is a Court of Record.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court this the 14th day of OCTOBER 1924.

Arnold Broyles
Clerk Superior Court of Fulton County,
Georgia.

(SEAL)

GEORGIA, Fulton County--ss

I, JOHN D. HUMPHRIES Judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County Georgia, and presiding Judge of the Superior Court in said County, do hereby certify that the above attestation, subscribed by Arnold Broyles as Clerk of said Court, is sufficient and in due form of law, and that his signature thereto is genuine.

Witness my hand and official signature, this the 14th day of
OCT 1924.

John D. Humphries
Judge Superior Court, Fulton County,
Georgia.

(SEAL)

GEORGIA, Fulton County--ss

I, Arnold Broyles, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said County, hereby certify that the above attestation of Hon. JOHN D. HUMPHRIES Judge of the Superior Court of Fulton County, Georgia, is his genuine signature, and that he is Judge of said Court, and said certificate is in due form of law.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the 14th day
of OCT 1924

Arnold Broyles
Clerk Superior Court, Fulton County, Georgia.

(SEAL)

State of Idaho, }
COUNTY OF ADA } ss.

CERTIFICATE

I, STEPHEN UTTER, Ex-Officio Recorder in and for Ada County, State of Idaho, do hereby certify that
the annexed is a full, true and correct copy of certain Articles of Incorporation of the
"KNIGHTS OF THE KU KLUX KLAN"

Numbered 2455 as the same appears in my office.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official Seal this 10th day
of November 1924.

By Frances Chood Deputy.

Stephen Utter
Ex-Officio Recorder.