



Collection Agency New/Initial Application:

It is important to note, any person, firm, corporation or association conducting business, within the State of NC, in any of these areas without a license/permit shall be guilty of a Class I felony. For more information relating to the exact laws and regulations cited in the North Carolina General Statutes, refer to NCGS Chapter 58/Article 70. For your convenience, we suggest having the following items readily available in order to assist in the completion of the electronic application for new licensure as a North Carolina collection agency.

- $\sqrt{}$ Board Resolution/Owner Authorization to apply for a NC collection agency license
- $\sqrt{}$ Personal Questionnaires (Form DOI-5CA) for all owners, governing members, and officers
- √ Corporate Formation Documents (attested true and correct by authorized officer)
 - ♦ Corporations: Articles of Incorporation <u>and</u> By-Laws
 - ♦ LLCs: Articles of Organization <u>and</u> Operating Agreement
 - Partnerships: Partnership Agreement
- √ Certificate of Authority from NC Secretary of State (foreign & alien applicants only)
 - ♦ Proof of DBA/Trade Name Registration (if applicable)
- $\sqrt{}$ Detailed Method of Collections (attested true and correct by authorized officer)
- √ Trust Account Bank Statement (general trust -or- NC clients)
- $\sqrt{}$ Samples of Correspondence to Debtors (must include all 5 of the following)
 - 1) Legal/DBA-Trade Names (both) 2) Physical address of the agency (no PO boxes)
 - 4) Placeholder for the NC permit number 5) Sample receipt for cash/payments
- 3) Payment address

- √ Corporate Financial Statement/Balance Sheet
 - ♦ Financials should be dated end of the month prior to submission of application
 - ♦ Prepared in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles (GAAP)
 - ♦ Reflects a minimum \$5,000 positive net equity

SUBMIT ONE (1) OF THE FOLLOWING:

- ♦ Audited financials prepared by CPA firm or independent CPA (attestation not required)
- ♦ Reviewed financials prepared by CPA firm or independent CPA (attestation not required)
- ♦ Compilation financials prepared by CPA firm or independent CPA (attestation required)
- ♦ Internally prepared corporate financials (attestation required)
- ♦ Applicant's parent company's corporate financials -<u>AND</u>- the parent company's written guarantee of the financial performance of the collection agency
- $\sqrt{}$ Original Notarized Surety Bonds with Power of Attorney
 - ♦ Domestic Initial Bond #1 (Form CA-D1 for \$10,000)
 - ♦ Foreign Initial Bonds #1 & #2 (Form CA-F1 for \$10,000 and Form CA-F2 for \$10,000)
 - ♦ Alien Initial Bonds #1 & #2 (Form CA-A1 for \$20,000 and Form CA-A2 for \$20,000)
- √ Non-refundable Statutory Licensing + Processing Fee (payable to NC Department of Insurance)
 - ♦ Payment Options: Credit Card or Check
 - ♦ Fees: \$1,048 (\$1,000/application + \$48/processing



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