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CHAPTER 208

The Limited Partnerships Act

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- 1. A limited partnership for the transaction of any broker-formation age, financial, mercantile, mechanical, manufacturing or other partner-business within Ontario, except banking, the construction or operation of railways and the business of insurance, may be formed by two or more persons, upon the terms, with the rights and powers, and subject to the conditions and liabilities hereinafter mentioned. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 1.
- **2.** The partnership may consist of one or more persons, of whom who shall be called general partners, and of one or more persons who contribute in actual cash payments a specific sum as capital to the common stock, who shall be called limited partners. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 2.
- 3. General partners shall be jointly and severally respon-Liability of sible as general partners are by law, but limited partners limited shall not be liable for the debts of the partnership beyond partners. the amounts by them contributed to the capital. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 3.
- 4. The general partners only shall be authorized to transact General business and sign for the partnership, and to bind the same. partners only to transact R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 4.
- **5.** The persons desirous of forming such partnership shall Cortificate make and each of them shall sign a certificate (Form 1), which to be signed, shall contain,
 - (a) the name under which the partnership business is to be carried on;
 - (b) the general nature of the business intended to be carried on;
 - (c) the names of all the general and limited partners, distinguishing which are general and which are limited partners, and their usual places of residence;
 - (d) the amount of capital which each limited partner has contributed;

- (e) the time when the partnership is to commence and the time at which it is to terminate; and
- (f) the principal place of business of the partnership R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 5.

Execution.

6. The certificate shall be signed by the persons forming the partnership before a notary public who shall certify to the execution of the same. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 6.

Where to

7. The certificate so signed and certified shall be filed in the office of the clerk of the county or district court of the county or district in which the principal place of business named in the certificate is situate, and shall be recorded by him at full length in a book to be kept for that purpose and open to public inspection. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 7.

Fees.

8. For filing and recording the certificate the clerk shall be entitled to receive the sum of 25 cents, and shall also be entitled to receive from every person searching in the book where the certificate is so recorded the sum of 10 cents for each search. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 8.

Partnership not formed until certificate filed. 9. No such partnership shall be deemed to have been formed until the certificate has been made, certified and filed, and if any false statement is made in the certificate, all the members of the partnership shall be liable for all the engagements thereof as general partners. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 9.

Certificates of renewal or continuance. 10. Every renewal or continuance of a partnership beyond the time originally fixed for its duration shall be certified, filed and recorded in the manner herein required for its original formation, and every partnership otherwise renewed or continued shall be deemed a general partnership. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 10.

What alterations to be deemed a dissolution.

11. Every alteration made in the partnership name, in the names of the partners, in the nature of the business, or in the capital or shares thereof, or in any other manner specified in the original certificate shall be deemed a dissolution of the partnership, and every such partnership in any manner carried on after any such alteration has been made shall be deemed a general partnership unless renewed as a limited partnership according to section 10. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 11.

Partnership name.

12. The business of the partnership shall be conducted under a name in which the names of one or more of the

general partners shall be used, and unless any limited partner whose name is used in the partnership name is clearly designated as a limited partner in a line immediately beneath the name of the partnership upon letterheads, confirmations to customers and statements of account, he shall be deemed a general partner. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 12.

- 13. No part of the sum which a limited partner has con-Restrictions tributed to the capital shall be withdrawn by him, or paid drawal of or transferred to him as dividends, profits or otherwise, during limited the continuance of the partnership; but any partner may partners. annually receive interest at a rate not exceeding five per cent per annum on the sum so contributed by him if the payment of such interest does not reduce the original amount of the capital, and if after the payment of such interest any profits remain to be divided he may also receive his share of such profits. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 13.
- 14. If by the payment of interest or profits to a limited When limited partner the original capital has been reduced, he shall be to refund. liable to restore the amount by which his share of the capital has been so reduced with interest. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 14.
- 15. A limited partner may from time to time examine Rights and liabilities of into the state and progress of the partnership business, and limited may advise as to its management, and he shall only become partners. liable as a general partner if, in addition to the foregoing, he takes part in the control of the business. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 15,

- 16. The general partners shall be liable to account to each General other and to the limited partners for their management of partners the business in like manner as other partners. R.S.O. 1937, account. c. 188, s. 16,
- 17. In case of the insolvency or bankruptcy of the partner- creditors ship a limited partner shall not, under any circumstances, limited be allowed to claim as a creditor until the claims of all the partners. other creditors of the partnership have been satisfied. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 17.
- 18. No dissolution of such partnership by the acts of the No parties shall take place before the time specified in the certical dissolution ficate of its formation or of its renewal until a notice of the without notice, etc. dissolution has been filed in the office in which the original certificate was filed and has been published once in each week, for three weeks, in a newspaper published in the county or district where the partnership has its principal place of business and for the same time in The Ontario Gazette. R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, s. 18; 1943, c. 28, s. 23.

FORM 1

(Section 5)

CERTIFICATE

We, the undersigned, do hereby certify that we have entered into partnership under the name of $(B. D. & Co.)$ as $(Grocers\ and\ Commission\ Merchants)$, which firm consists of $(A. B.)$ residing usually at, as General Partners; and $(E. F.)$, residing usually at, and $(G. H.)$, residing usually at, as Limited Partners. The said $(E. F.)$ having contributed \$, and the said $(G. H.)$ \$ to the Capital of the Partnership.	
The principal place of business of the Partnership is at	
The said Partnership is to commence on theday of	
Dated thisday of, 19	
(Signed)	A. B. C. D. E. F.
Signed in the presence of me, L. M.,	G. H.

Notary Public.

R.S.O. 1937, c. 188, Form 1.

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