

## Chapter 87 Corporations

The corporations must meet all of the below requirements to be exempt from the professional corporation requirements of G.S. 55B:

- Must be licensed under N.C.G.S Chapter 87
  - Article 1 (General Contractors)
  - Article 2 (Plumbing, Heating and Fire Sprinkler Contractors)
  - Article 4 (Electrical Contractors)
  - Article 5 (Refrigeration Contractors)
- Can only provide limited professional services of engineering or land surveying that are reasonably necessary and connected with the primary services performed by individuals regularly employed in the ordinary course of business by the corporation.
- The professional services may not be offered, performed, or rendered independently from the primary services rendered by the corporation.
- The exemption is effectively a limitation to design/build contracts where the corporation has the design and build responsibilities from the initial contract.
- The corporation cannot do the design and then the project be negotiated or bid for the construction.
- The corporation cannot advertise engineering services or hold out that it is an engineering firm.
- The corporation must still be licensed by the North Carolina Engineering and Surveying Board.