

New York, New York Co. NY
(German Universalist Christian Church)

Certificate of Election of Trustees for the German
Universalist Christian Church of the City of New York

Be it remembered that on the first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight in the city of New York pursuant to a notice publicly [sic] given to the Church and Congregation for that purpose by Rev. Philip Merkle their stated minister on the seventeenth and twenty-fourth days of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven being two successive Sundays previous thereto of the time and place of meeting, the male members of full age of the Church and Congregation [___?] heretofore worshipping in the large hall of the House situate on Stanton Street corner of Essex assembled at the place aforesaid to organized themselves into a body corporate according to the statute in such case made and provided by electing trustees. And the subscribers being two of the Elders of said church and presiding at such meeting hereby certify that the following nine persons were duly elected trustees by said meeting to be the trustees of said church or congregation to wit: Mr. August Wasserman of the city of New York[,] William Schirmer[,] Gottlieb Gescheidt[,] Frederic Krienolf[,] John Stegner[,] Charles Welsch[,] John George Breitmeier[,] John Kertz[,] John Christian Hal__? and it was then and there determined and resolved that said Trustees and their successors shall be forever called and known by the name or title of Deutsche Allgemeine Christliche Kirche that is to say in the English language German Universal Christian Church of the City of New York[.] In witness whereof we have hereunto severally set our hands and seals this first day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight[.]

Thomas Scheel
George Sachsenheimer

In presence of Gottfried Lindauer

State of New York
City, County and

On this 6th day of January in the year 1838, Gottfried Lindauer came before me and being duly sworn deposes and says that he resides in the city and within the county of New York that he saw Thomas Scheel and George Sachseheimer execute the within instrument that he the said Gottfried Lindauer subscribed his name thereto as a witness that he is acquainted with the said Thomas Scheel and George Sachsenheimer and knows them to be the persons who executed the said certificate, and at the same time came before me Jeremiah Reiss residing in the city and county of New York aforesaid who being by me duly sworn deposes and says that he knows the said Gottfried Lindauer to be the same person who was a subscribing witness to the within instrument which is to me satisfactory evidence thereof.

M. Uhlshoeff
Associate Judge Common Pleas of New York

Recorded the preceding at the request of T. Scheel 6th January 1838 at 3 p.m.

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