

**490.504 Service on corporation.**

1. A corporation's registered agent is the corporation's agent for service of process, notice, or demand required or permitted by law to be served on the corporation.

2. If a corporation has no registered agent, or the agent cannot with reasonable diligence be served, the corporation may be served by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, addressed to the secretary of the corporation at its principal office. Service is perfected under [this subsection](#) at the earliest of:

a. The date the corporation receives the mail.

b. The date shown on the return receipt, if signed on behalf of the corporation.

c. Five days after its deposit in the United States mail, as evidenced by the postmark, if mailed postpaid and correctly addressed.

3. A corporation may be served pursuant to [this section](#), as provided in other provisions of [this chapter](#), or as provided in [sections 617.3 through 617.6](#), unless the manner of service is otherwise specifically provided for by statute.

[89 Acts, ch 288, §35](#); [96 Acts, ch 1170, §7](#)

Referred to in [§490.1114](#), [§490.1421](#), [§490.1422](#), [§490.1423](#), [§624.23](#)