

Business Printing Incorporated

Founded: 1899

Location: Fairview Street, Anderson (1899–1960); 2601 Madison Avenue (1960–)

In 1899 Ray Short launched the Short Printing Company. Eventually the factory undertook work for General Motors, making instruction tags and office supplies. Later, factory supplies for Delco Remy became a major component of the company's work. In 1948 Robert W. Shoemaker, Jr., bought the plant. After a fire in 1960 destroyed the building, Shoemaker moved the operation to Madison Avenue. In 1999 only half of the firm's sales relied on the automotive industry. Sales were expected to top \$500,000 in fiscal year 1999. Shoemaker retained control of the company that made labels, parts catalogs, business forms, and offered typesetting services.