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Department of State
Division of Corporations
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Tallahassee, FL 32314

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SUBJECT: Blackman Fire District, Inc.
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

\$70.00
Filing Fee

\$78.75
Filing Fee &
Certificate of
Status

\$78.75
Filing Fee
& Certified Copy

\$87.50
Filing Fee,
Certified Copy
& Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

FROM: Andrea Prestwood
Name (Printed or typed)

2107 Hwy 2
Address

Baker, FL 32531
City, State & Zip

(850)689-5862
Daytime Telephone number

SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.

T. Burch FEB 15 2001

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF THE
BLACKMAN FIRE DISTRICT, INC.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

We the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together for the purpose of becoming incorporated under the laws of the State of Florida applicable to Corporations Not For Profit, and respectfully petition the Secretary of State for approval of such incorporation under the following proposed Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the corporation shall be Blackman Fire District, Inc., and is to be located in the general vicinity of Blackman, Okaloosa County, Florida, as defined in the By-Laws of the Corporation.

ARTICLE II

PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The principal place of business shall be located at 1850 Hwy 2, Baker, FL 32531; however, the mailing address shall be: C/O 2107 Hwy 2, Baker, FL 32531.

ARTICLE III

PURPOSE

The general nature of the objective of this corporation shall be to provide a volunteer fire department for the Blackman area, in Okaloosa County, Florida, to include the housing of fire-fighting equipment, the storage and maintenance of fire-fighting equipment, the organization of a volunteer fire department, the training of personnel, and to work to the general end of reducing fire hazards and to combat fires in said area.

ARTICLE IV

ELECTION OF DIRECTORS

The initial Board of Directors, listed in Article V, shall hold and remain in office until their successors are elected and qualified in the next general election following the year 2000, unless such Director ceases to be qualified to act or is removed for cause. In said general election, three (3) Directors shall be elected for four (4) year terms and two (2) Directors shall be elected for two (2) year terms. The three (3) candidates attaining the highest number of votes shall be elected for the four (4) year terms and the two (2) candidates receiving the next highest number of votes will be elected for two (2) year terms. In subsequent elections, each Director shall be elected for a term of four (4) years. They shall qualify for office in the same manner as is provided for other general county officers. In the event any commissioner ceases to be qualified to act through resignation, removal for cause, other compelling reason, or due to the failure of any candidates to qualify for the office, the vacancy thereby created shall be filled by appointment by the majority of the remaining members of the Board of Directors until the expiration of the term of the member who has become disqualified or failed to qualify for office.

ARTICLE V

BOARD OF DIRECTORS

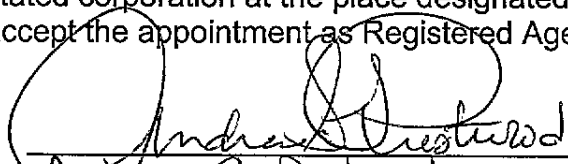
The corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of five (5) persons, and the following persons shall serve as directors until the first election thereof:

<u>Name/Title</u>	<u>Address</u>
<u>ALLEN D. TEW SECRETARY</u>	<u>7491 Red BARROW Rd. BAKER, FL 32531</u>
<u>SAM C. TEW Commissioner</u>	<u>7712 Peacock Road BAKER FL 32531</u>
<u>Dale E. Finkel chairman</u>	<u>1249 Finkel Rd Baker FL 32531</u>
<u>Richard A. Sleam commissioner</u>	<u>7574 Hwy 189 N Baker FL 32531</u>
<u>Randy H. Batsch treasurer</u>	<u>1982 Horse Creek Rd Baker FL 32531</u>

ARTICLE VI

INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named as Registered Agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in the certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as Registered Agent and agree to act in this capacity.



Andrea S. Prestwood (Printed Name)

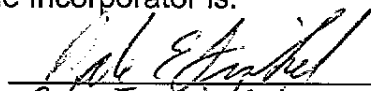
2107 Hwy 2
Address

Baker FL 32531
City, State & Zip

ARTICLE VII

INCORPORATOR

The Incorporator is:



Dale E. Finkel (Printed Name)

1249 Finkel Rd.
Address

Baker, FL. 32531
City, State & Zip

ARTICLE VIII

BY-LAWS, AMENDMENT OF ARTICLES

The by-laws of this corporation shall be promulgated and approved by a majority vote of the Board of Directors. Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be proposed by any member of the Board of Directors and adopted by a majority vote of the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX

CORPORATE DEBTS

The private property of the officers or members of the corporation shall not be subject to the payment of corporate debts or liabilities to any extent whatsoever.

Subscribed by the undersigned for the purpose of creating a non-profit corporation, on this 6th day of February, 2001.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of:

[Signature]
[Signature]
Catherine M. Walker
[Signature]
[Signature]

[Signature]
Dale E. Finkel (Printed Name)
[Signature]
Richard A Sloan (Printed Name)
[Signature]
SAM C. TEW (Printed Name)
[Signature]
ALLEN D. TEW (Printed Name)
[Signature]
Randy H. Batson (Printed Name)

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF OKALOOSA

I DO HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day personally appeared Dale E. Finkel, Richard A Sloan, Sam C. Tew, Allen D. Tew and Randy H. Batson, and _____, known to me and known by me, or having presenting a Florida Driver's License as proof of identity, to be the individuals described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they did acknowledge to and before me that they executed the same for the uses and purposes therein expressed.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at Blackman, Florida, on this 6th day of Feb, 2001.

[Signature]
Notary Public
My commission expires:

