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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### FLORIDA COUNCIL OF PRIVATE COLLEGES, INC.

The undersigned, being of legal age and competent to contract, for the purpose of organizing a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida, they hereby agree and certify as follows:

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The name of this Corporation shall be:

FLORIDA COUNCIL OF PRIVATE COLLEGES, INC.

# ARTICLE II

# COMMENCMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall commence corporate existence on the filing of these Articles of Incorporation and shall have perpetual existence unless sooner dissolved according to law.

## ARTICLE III

#### PURPOSES AND GENERAL POWERS

The general purpose of this Corporation shall be the transaction of any and all lawful business. This Corporation shall have all of the powers enumerated in the Florida Not For Profit and all such other powers as are permitted by applicable law, including, without limitation and only by illustration, the following:

- (a) To have a corporate seal, which may be altered at pleasure, and to use the same by causing it, or a facsimile thereof, to be impressed, affixed, or in any other manner reproduced provided; however, such seal shall always contain the words "corporation not for profit."
- (b) To purchase, take, receive, lease, take by gift, devise or bequest or otherwise acquire, own, hold, improve, use, and otherwise deal in and with real or personal property or any interest therein, wherever situated.
- (c) To sell, convey, mortgage, pledge, create security interests in, lease, exchange, transfer, and otherwise dispose of all or any part of its property and assets.

- (d) To lend money for its corporate purposes, invest and reinvest its funds, and take and hold real and personal property as security for the payment of funds so loaned or invested.
- (e) To purpose, take, receive, subscribe for, or otherwise acquire, own, hold, vote, use, employ, sell, mortgage, lend, pledge, or otherwise dispose of, and otherwise sell and deal in and with, shares or other interests in, or obligations of, other domestic or foreign corporations, whether for profit or not for profit associations, partnerships or individuals, or direct or indirect obligations of the United States or of any other government, state, territory, governmental district, or municipality or of any instrumentality thereof.
- (f) To make contracts and guarantees and incur liabilities, borrow money at such rates of interest as its Board of Directors may determine, issue its notes, bonds, and other obligations, and secure any of its obligations by mortgage or pledge of all or any of its property, franchises, and incomes.
- (g) To enter into, make, receive assignments of, grant assignments of, and perform contracts of every nature and kind for any lawful purpose.
- (h) To conduct its business, carry on its operations, and have offices and exercise the powers granted by the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act or by other applicable law within or without the State of Florida.
- (i) To elect or appoint officers and agents and define their duties and allow them reasonable compensation.
- (j) To make and alter Bylaws, not inconsistent with its Articles of Incorporation or with the laws of the State of Florida, for the administration and regulation of its affairs.
- (k) To promote, by all proper and legitimate agencies and means, education and educational movements, purposes or causes; to make gifts and donations for the public welfare or for charitable, religious, scientific, educational purposes or other similar purposes.
- (I) To dedicate to the public or to any governmental entity or other entity whatsoever for any public or other purpose any of its real or personal property or any interest therein.
- (m) To transact any lawful business which its Board of Directors shall find will be in aid of governmental policy.
- (n) To have and exercise all powers necessary or convenient to effect its general purpose.
- (o) To maintain affiliate membership with the Council of Private Colleges of America, Inc.

#### ARTICLE IV

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The members of this not for profit corporation, if any, shall be qualified and admitted as set forth in the Bylaws of this Corporation.

# ARTICLE V

### INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office of this Corporation shall be located as 41 n. 20<sup>TH</sup> Street, #17, Haines City, Florida 33844-4638, and the initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be Dr. Earle E. Lee. The Corporation may change its registered agent or the location of its registered office, or both, from time to time without amendment of these Articles of Incorporation.

#### <u>ARTICLE VI</u>

#### INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation shall have four (4) directors initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time as provided in the Bylaws. The name and street address of the initial directors of this Corporation are:

Dr. Earle E. Lee 41 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, #17 Haines City, Florida 33844-4638

Dr. Abe Johnson 4085 Bothwell Terrace Tallahassee, FL 32317-8548

Dr. C. Wayne Freeberg 8352 Innsbrook Drive Tallahassee, FL 32312

Mrs. Barbara A. Lee 41 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, #17 Haines City, Florida 33844-4638

#### <u>ARTICLE VII</u>

#### INCORPORATORS

The name and street address of the persons signing these Articles as incorporator is:

Dr. Earle E. Lee 41 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, #17 Haines City, Florida 33844-4638

Dr. Abe Johnson 4085 Bothwell Terrace Tallahassee, FL 32317-8548

Dr. C. Wayne Freeberg 8352 Innsbrook Drive Tallahassee, FL 32312

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### **BYLAWS**

Except as otherwise provided by law, the power to adopt, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### INDEMNIFICATION

In addition to any rights and duties under applicable law, the Corporation shall indemnify and hold harmless all its directors, officers, employees and agents, and former directors, officers, employees and agents from and against all liabilities and obligations, including attorneys' fees, incurred in connection with any actions taken or failed to be taken by said directors, officers employees and agents in their capacity as such except for willful misconduct or gross negligence.

#### ARTICLE X

#### **AMENDMENT**

This Corporation reserves the right or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

#### ARTICLE XI

#### HEADINGS AND CAPTIONS

The headings or captions of these various Articles are inserted for convenience and none of them shall have any force or effect, and the interpretation of the various Articles shall not be influenced by any of said headings or captions.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned, being the incorporators herein before named, for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida to do business both within and without the State of Florida, hereby make and file these Articles of Incorporation declaring and certifying that the facts stated herein are true, and hereby subscribe thereto and hereunto set their hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_ day of June, 2004.

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Dr. Abe Johnson (SEAL)

Dr. C. Wayne Exceberg (SEAL)

STATE OF FLORIDA)

) ss:

COUNTY OF LEON )

BEFORE ME, a Notary Public authorized to take acknowledgments in the State and County set forth above, personally appeared Dr. Earle E. Lee, Dr. Abe Johnson, and Dr. C. Wayne Freeberg, known to me and known by me to be the persons who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and they acknowledged before me that they executed these Articles of Incorporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal, in the State and County aforesaid, this 2 day of June, 2004.

SONJA HINTON
MY COMMISSION # DD 168346
EXPIRES: March 28, 2007
Bonded Thru Nolary Public Underwriters

Hinton, Notary Public

My Commission Expires: March 28, 2007

(Notary Seal)

# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN Florida Council of Private Colleges, Inc. AND REGISTERED AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In compliance with Section 48.091, Florida Statues, the following is submitted:

The Florida Council of Private Colleges, Inc., desiring to organize as a not for profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida with its registered office and principal place of business at 41 N. 20<sup>th</sup> Street, #17, Haines City, Florida 38844-4638, has named and designated him as its Registered Agent to accept service of process within the State of Florida.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-named not for profit corporation, at the place designated in this Certificate, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties as Registered Agent.

DATED this day of June, 2004.

Dr. Earle E. Lee Registered Agent