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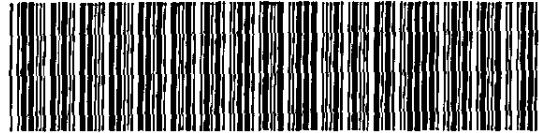
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## **TRANSMITTAL LETTER**

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**SUBJECT:** Florida SAR Specialists, Inc.

Enclosed is an original and two copies of the Articles of Incorporation and a check for \$87.50. This is payment for the filing fee, a certified copy, and a certificate.

**FROM:** Michael L. Pici  
3790 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.  
Largo, FL 33771-4036  
727-798-9227

**FLORIDA SAR SPECIALISTS, INC.**  
(A not-for-profit corporation)

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**ARTICLE I:**

The name of this corporation shall be **Florida SAR Specialists, Inc.**

**ARTICLE II:**

The principle place of business and mailing address of the corporation shall be as follows:

**Florida SAR Specialists, Inc.**  
**3790 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.**  
**Largo, FL 33771-4036**

**ARTICLE III:**

- A. This corporation may provide trained personnel and animals for the purpose of aiding official agencies in the process of search and rescue events.
- B. This corporation may provide training to those seeking to improve the skills, abilities, and understanding of the search and rescue environment.
- C. This corporation may provide guidance and /or special assistance to other agencies and /or search and rescue teams.
- D. This corporation may author, print, publish and distribute materials relating to any part of the search and rescue or emergency response subject matter.
- E. This corporation may design, manufacture, have manufactured, sell, distribute or license the use of, any type of clothing, equipment, tools, signs, logos, and any other item that may be related to its purpose.
- F. This corporation may act as a training facilitator for animals intended for use in search and rescue or related emergency fields.
- G. This corporation may generate operating funds through any legal means, including but not limited to, grants, loans, public events, and donations.

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**ARTICLE IV:**

- A. The Directors, except for the initial Directors, of this corporation shall be elected by a two thirds vote of the membership. This vote may be done in hand written form or by email or other similar method. If the entire membership is present at a general meeting, a voice vote, or show of hands is allowable.
- B. Elections shall be held at a scheduled meeting of the membership after thirty (30) days notice has been given, either orally, electronic, or in written form to the membership.
- C. Voting will be done on printed ballots and shall be unsigned by the voter. No oral votes shall be allowed.
- D. A Director's term is open ended, but may be terminated by a two thirds vote of the remaining Directors, or by a two- thirds (2/3) vote of the general membership in the event of a tie vote by the Directors. Removal from the Board of Directors does not imply nor require removal of that former Director from the general membership. This vote may be done in hand written form or by email or other similar method. If the entire membership is present at a general meeting, a voice vote, or show of hands is allowable.

**ARTICLE V:**

The initial Directors of this corporation are as follows

- 1. Michael L. Pici  
3790 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. N  
Largo, FL 33771-4036
- 2. Robert A. Clark  
2733 Starlite Ln.  
Port Charlotte, FL 33952
- 3. Frank Lawlor  
PO Box 487  
New Berlin, NY 13411-0487

**ARTICLE VI:**

The Registered Agent of this corporation shall be:

Michael L. Pici  
3790 136<sup>th</sup> Ave. N.  
Largo, FL 33771-4036

**ARTICLE VII:**

The Incorporator of this corporation shall be:

Michael L. Pici  
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**ARTICLE VIII**

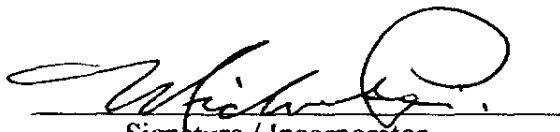
In the event that this corporation is dissolved, all assets shall be distributed to other not-for-profit organizations incorporated in the State of Florida which provide services to the public in times of natural and / or man-made disasters, or aid in search and rescue events, which shall include, but shall not be limited to: The American Red Cross, The Salvation Army, and other not-for-profit search teams.. The Board of Directors shall, as their last act of office, oversee the distribution of these assets and assure that no individual, or other organization that is not eligible, may gain ownership of them without purchasing them. The funds gained from the sale of any asset shall be considered a part of assets of the corporation and shall also be distributed to eligible organizations

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

  
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Signature / Registered Agent

12 July 05  
Date

  
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Signature / Incorporator

12 July 05  
Date