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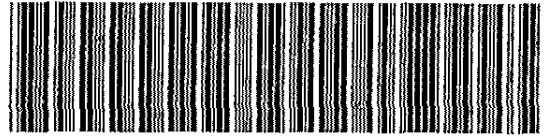
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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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

**SUBJECT:** FOUR STAR ASSOCIATION, INC.  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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

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**FROM:** SHERIFF DAVID B. SHOAR  
Name (Printed or typed)

4015 LEWIS SPEEDWAY  
Address

ST. AUGUSTINE, FL 32084  
City, State & Zip

(904) 824-8304  
Daytime Telephone number

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

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Charter of

Four Star Association, Incorporated

We, the undersigned, for the purpose of forming a charitable corporation, not-for-profit, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, do hereby associate ourselves as a body corporate, not-for-profit, and do hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

*Article I*  
(Corporation name)

The name of this corporation shall be the Four Star Association *Incorporated*

*Article II*  
(Principal office)

The principal place of business is the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office, 4015 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida, 32084.

*Article III*  
(Purpose)

The principal purpose of the Four Star Association, hereinafter referred to as the "Association", shall be to act as a charitable organization, specifically to lessen the burden of the St. Johns County Government. The Association will seek contributions as a charitable organization that will be used to enhance law enforcement operations. These funds would otherwise have to be appropriated through the budget of St. Johns County.

There are several other purposes of the Association. The Association will accept contributions to offset the costs of sponsoring crime prevention programs and products delivered in St. Johns County by the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office. The Association will help fund scholarships for the youth in St. Johns County and provide emergency assistance (including victim assistance) to our citizens in need. Additionally, the Association will allow deputies to attend events honoring law enforcement officers killed in the line of duty and provide educational symposiums for law enforcement officers in active service. Finally, the Association will disburse funds to other not-for-profits who deliver public service in St. Johns County.

The Association is organized exclusively for and will be operated exclusively for charitable purposes. No part of the organization's net earnings will inure to the benefit of private shareholders or individuals. The Association will not be operated for the benefit of private interests.

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### ***Article IV*** **(Manner of election)**

A Board of Directors consisting of three (3) people will manage the affairs of the Association. The Board of Directors shall serve for a period of four (4) years. The Sheriff of St. Johns County and the Chief Financial Officer of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office will serve on the Board of Directors. The Sheriff and the Chief Financial Officer will select the third person to serve on the Board who is not a full-time member of the St. Johns County Sheriff's Office. The Sheriff shall serve as the Board's chairman; the member not employed full-time by the Sheriff's Office shall serve as the Board's vice chairman, and the Chief Financial Officer shall serve as the board's secretary/treasurer. The Board will be reconstituted after each election in which the Sheriff runs for election.

### ***Article V*** **(Initial directors)**

The following members agree to manage the affairs of the Association until the first election is held:

*David B. Shoar*, 4015 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida 32084 – Chairman

*William B. Harriss*, 75 King Street, St. Augustine, Florida 32084 – Vice-Chairman

*Mark E. Simpson*, 4015 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida 32084 – Secretary  
Treasurer

### ***Article VI*** **(Registered agent)**

Mr. Mark E. Simpson, 4015 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida 32084.

### ***Article VII*** **(Incorporator)**

Sheriff David B. Shoar, 4015 Lewis Speedway, St. Augustine, Florida 32084.

### ***Article VIII*** **(Powers)**

The Association shall have power to purchase, own, hold, build upon, rent and/or lease property, real, personal and mixed; to receive by gift, devise or bequest, property of any character whatsoever and no matter where situate; to sell, convey, mortgage or otherwise dispose of any property in any manner and acquired by it and at any time; to contract, sue and be sued in its corporate name; to have a corporate seal; to adopt, amend, repeal or alter such by-laws as may, from time to time, be adopted by the Association as

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hereinafter set forth; to carry on fundraising campaigns; to solicit funds to carry out the purpose of the corporation as above set forth.

### *Article IX* (By-laws)

The by-laws may be amended when necessary by two-thirds majority of the Board of Directors. Proposed amendments must be submitted to the secretary to be sent out with regular board announcement.

### *Article X* (Meetings)

The Association shall hold at least one (1) meeting in July of each year. The Association's chairman may schedule special meetings at any time he or she deems necessary. The time and place of the meetings are prescribed in the Association's by-laws.

### *Article XI* (Quorum)

The Board of Directors may take any action including the disbursement of funds by a majority vote of its three (3) members. The only actions the Board cannot take without a vote of the entire board is modification or repeal of the Association's by-laws or articles of incorporation.

### *Article XII* (Amendments)

These articles of incorporation of the Four Star Association, Incorporated, shall be amended in the following manner: by resolution setting forth such amendment adopted by the membership by a 2/3 or more majority. The voting process specified in Article IX (by-laws) shall be utilized to amend the articles of incorporation.

### *Article XIII* (Membership)

Membership shall consist of the Board of Directors.

### *Article XIV* (Term)

This Association shall have perpetual existence. In the event of its dissolution, 100% of the Association's assets will be distributed to the St. Johns County United Way, or other 501(C) (3) exempt organization as determined by the Board.

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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.

Mark E. Simpson  
Mark E. Simpson/Registered Agent

3/29/05  
Date

David B. Shoar  
David B. Shoar/Incorporator

3/29/05  
Date