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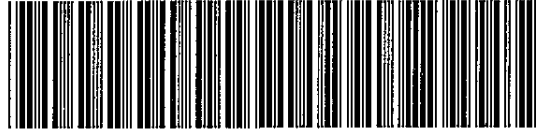
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Dear Department of State, Florida:

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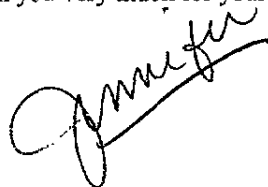
Ariel Capital Management, LLC (DE)  
Registration  
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Ariel Capital Management, LLC (DE)  
Cert Copy of Application for Authority-Foreign  
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Certificate of Status-Foreign  
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Enclosed please find a check for the requisite fees. Please return evidence of filing(s) to the attention of the undersigned.

If for any reason the enclosed cannot be filed upon receipt, please contact the undersigned immediately at (850) 222-1092. Thank you very much for your help.



660 East Jefferson Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301  
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**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 608.503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

- 1. Ariel Capital Management, LLC  
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company)
- 2. Delaware  
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized)
- 3. 02-0712418  
(FEI number, if applicable)
- 4. February 1, 2004  
(Date of Organization)
- 5. perpetual  
(Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpetual")
- 6. None  
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)  
(See sections 608.501 & 608.502 F.S. to determine penalty liability)
- 7. 200 East Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL, 60601  
(Street Address of Principal Office)

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- 8. If limited liability company is a manager-managed company, check here
- 9. The name and usual business addresses of the managing members or managers are as follows:  
Ariel Capital Management Holdings, Inc.  
200 East Randolph Drive, Suite 2900, Chicago, IL, 60601

10. Attached is an original certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (A photocopy is not acceptable. If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted.)

11. Nature of business or purposes to be conducted or promoted in Florida: investment management services

Sheldon R. Stein  
Signature of a member or an authorized representative of a member.  
(In accordance with section 608.408(3), F.S., the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)  
Sheldon R. Stein, Vice President  
Typed or printed name of signee

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 or 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

Ariel Capital Management, LLC

2. The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are:

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(Name)

1200 South Pine Island Road

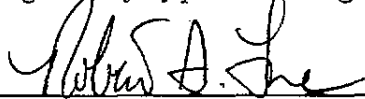
Florida Street Address (P.O. Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

Plantation

FL 33324

City/State/Zip

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 608, Florida Statutes.*



(Signature)

\$ 100.00	Filing Fee for Application
\$ 25.00	Designation of Registered Agent
\$ 30.00	Certified Copy (optional)
\$ 5.00	Certificate of Status (optional)

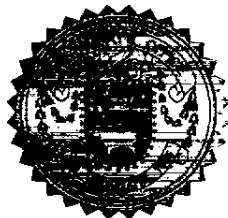
# Delaware

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "ARIEL CAPITAL MANAGEMENT, LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SECOND DAY OF FEBRUARY, A.D. 2006.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.



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*Harriet Smith Windsor*

Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

AUTHENTICATION: 4496029

DATE: 02-02-06