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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

To: Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Center Ridge Design Services, Inc.  
(Name of corporation - must include suffix)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida", "Certificate of Existence", and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign corporation to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Marianne Peden  
(Name of Person)  
The Richard E. Jacobs Group, Inc. 500003329885--7  
(Firm/Company) -07/20/00--01071--002  
25425 Center Ridge Road \*\*\*\*\*78.75 \*\*\*\*\*78.75  
(Address)  
Cleveland, OH 44145-4122 W-18644  
(City/State/Zip)

Should you need to call someone concerning this matter, please call:

Marianne Peden at ( 440 ) 808-6330  
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

**STREET ADDRESS:**

Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
409 E. Gaines St.  
Tallahassee, FL 32399

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

- ☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee    ☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status    ☒ \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy    ☐ \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

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## The Richard E. Jacobs Group, Inc.

Marianne Peden  
Direct Dial No. (440) 808-6330  
Fax (440) 808-6903

July 19, 2000

### VIA FEDERAL EXPRESS

Florida Secretary of State  
Registration Section  
Division of Corporations  
409 East Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

Re: Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact  
Business in Florida  
Center Ridge Design Services, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Please find enclosed an Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida, for Center Ridge Design Services, Inc. and a check numbered 583147, made payable to the Secretary of State, State of Florida for the filing fee of Seventy-eight and 75/100 Dollars (\$78.75).

Please proceed to file this application and return to me at the address listed below evidence of the filing.

Should you have any questions, please contact the undersigned at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

Marianne Peden  
Legal Assistant

Enclosures

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

July 26, 2000

MARIANNE PEDEN  
THE RICHARD E. JACOBS GROUP, INC.  
25425 CENTER RIDGE ROAD  
CLEVELAND, OH 44145-4122

SUBJECT: CENTER RIDGE DESIGN SERVICES, INC.  
Ref. Number: W00000018644

We have received your document for CENTER RIDGE DESIGN SERVICES, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the document has not been filed and is being retained in this office for the following:

Pursuant to section 607.1502(4), 617.1502(4) or 608.502(4), Florida Statutes, this office collects a civil penalty of \$1000 for each year this entity transacted business or conducted its affairs in Florida prior to qualification and the appropriate annual report/uniform business report fees that would have been due this office had the entity qualified the year it began operations in this state. The amount due this office to cover both annual report/uniform business report and penalty fees is \$13,746.25.

Enclosed please find a copy of section 607.1501, 617.1501, or 608.502, Florida Statutes, which lists those activities that do not constitute transacting business in this state. If after reviewing this section you determine erroneous information was inserted on the application, a notarized affidavit containing the following information must be submitted: 1.) a statement indicating erroneous information was listed on the application; and 2.) the correct date the corporation began transacting business in Florida prior to the year the application was submitted did not constitute transacting business pursuant to section 607.1501, 617.1501 or 608.502, Florida Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6958.

Lee Rivers  
Document Specialist

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**The Richard E. Jacobs Group, Inc.**

Marianne Peden  
Direct Dial No. (440) 808-6330  
Fax (440) 808-6903

October 10, 2000

**Via Federal Express**

Mr. Lee Rivers  
Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

Re: Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact  
Business in Florida  
Center Ridge Design Services, Inc. (Ref. Number W00000018644)

Dear Mr. Rivers:

Pursuant to our telephone conversation and your letter dated as of July 26, 2000 (Letter Number: 000A00040775), (copy enclosed for your convenience), please find enclosed a notarized affidavit containing the necessary information as set forth in your letter.

Please proceed to process the Application which is on file with your office and return to me evidence of authorization in Florida.

Thank you for your cooperation. Should you have any questions, please contact me at the number listed above.

Sincerely,

*Marianne Peden*

Marianne Peden  
Legal Assistant

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Enclosure

cc: A. L. Richner (w/encl.)


STATE OF OHIO )  
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AFFIDAVIT OF ALBERT L. RICHNER  
REGARDING APPLICATION BY  
FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR  
AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT  
BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

The undersigned, being duly sworn, upon oath states as follows:

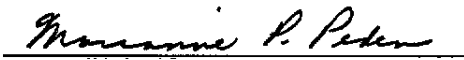
1. That he is a Vice President and a Director of Center Ridge Design Services, Inc., an Ohio professional corporation ("CRDS");
2. That the Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida was filed with the Florida Secretary of State containing erroneous information stating July 27, 1988 was the date CRDS first transacted business in the State of Florida;
3. That pursuant to Section 607.1501 of the Florida Statutes and the activities described therein that do not constitute transacting business, CRDS did not transact business in Florida; and
4. CRDS, by the definitions set forth in the above mentioned section, has not conducted business in Florida as of the date of this Affidavit.

FURTHER, AFFIANT SAITH NAUGHT

  
Albert L. Richner

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JUDICIAL CIRCUIT IN AND FOR  
THE NINTH JUDICIAL CIRCUIT  
STATE OF FLORIDA

SWORN TO AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME this 3<sup>rd</sup> day of October, 2000.

  
Marianne P. Peden  
Notary Public

MARIANNE P. PEDEN  
Notary Public - State of Ohio  
Recorded in Cuyahoga County  
My Commission Expires Dec. 4, 2001

**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT  
BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

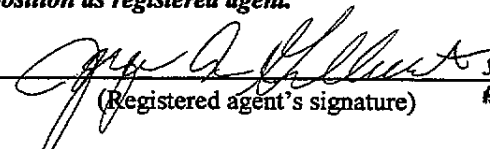
*IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO  
REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.*

1. Center Ridge Design Services, Inc.  
(Name of corporation; must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)
2. State of Ohio  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)
3. 34-1264638  
(FEI number, if applicable)
4. September 11, 1978  
(Date of incorporation)
5. Perpetual  
(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. July 27, 1988  
(Date first transacted business in Florida. If corporation has not transacted business in Florida, insert "upon qualification.")  
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)
7. a. 25425 Center Ridge Road, Westlake, OH  
(Principal office address)  
b. 25425 Center Ridge Road, Westlake, OH  
(Current mailing address)
8. Rendering the professional services of persons each of whom is duly licensed  
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida) otherwise authorized to practice architecture or engineering.
9. **Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable)**  
Name: CT Corporation System  
Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road  
Plantation, Florida 33324  
(Zip code)

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**10. Registered agent's acceptance:**

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, 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 relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

  
(Registered agent's signature) **JOYCE A. GILBERT**  
**ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

**A. DIRECTORS**

Chairman: Richard E. Jacobs  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

Vice Chairman: Thomas P. Schmitz  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

Director: Albert L. Richner  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

Director: N/A  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**B. OFFICERS**

President: Thomas P. Schmitz  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122


Vice President: Martin J. Cleary  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

Secretary: Richard E. Jacobs  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

Treasurer: Anthony W. Weigand  
Address: 25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, OH 44145-4122

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NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13.   
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Thomas P. Schmitz President and Director  
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

**ADDITIONAL OFFICERS OF CENTER RIDGE DESIGN SERVICES, INC.**

**Vice President:**

Thomas W. Henneberry  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

Albert L. Richner  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

**Assistant Secretary:**

David W. Pancoast  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

William R. Hansen  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

Patrick J. Pauken  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

**Assistant Treasurer:**

Judson E. Smith  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

Kristine M. McGivney  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

Thomas G. Novak  
25425 Center Ridge Road  
Westlake, Ohio 44145-4122

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,  
STATE OF OHIO,  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE.

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*I, J. Kenneth Blackwell, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected, qualified and present acting Secretary of State for the State of Ohio, and as such have custody of the records of Ohio and Foreign corporations; that said records show CENTER RIDGE DESIGN SERVICES, INC., an Ohio Professional corporation, Charter No. 522411, having its principal location in Westlake, County of Cuyahoga, was incorporated on September 11, 1978 and is currently in GOOD STANDING upon the records of this office.*



WITNESS my hand and official seal at

Columbus, Ohio on

July 11, 2000

*J. Kenneth Blackwell*

J. Kenneth Blackwell  
Secretary of State

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