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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. Gibson Guitar Corp.
(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. Delaware 3. 73-1244520
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)
4. 3/01/85 5. Perpetual
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")
6. Upon qualification
(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. 309 Plus Park Blvd, Nashville, TN 37217
(Principal office address)
309 Plus Park Blvd, Nashville, TN 37217
(Current mailing address)
8. Licensing and merchandising of manufactured instruments
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida)
9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box NOT acceptable)
Name: NRAI Services, Inc.
Office Address: 526 E. Park Ave.
Tallahassee, Florida 32301
(City) (Zip code)

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) Maggie Ferdinand

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.

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

A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: A CEO, Henry E. IuzzkiewiczAddress: 309 Plus Park BoulevardNashville, TN 37217

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: David H. BarrymanAddress: 645 Massman DriveNashville, TN 37210Director: Henry E. IuzzkiewiczAddress: 309 Plus Park BoulevardNashville, TN 37210

B. OFFICERS

President: David H. BarrymanAddress: 645 Massman DriveNashville, TN 37210Vice President: Richard GembarAddress: 309 Plus Park BoulevardNashville, TN 37210

Secretary: _____

Address: _____

Treasurer: _____

Address: _____

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

13. 6/19/03
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)14. David H. Barryman
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)03 JUN 20 AM 8:27
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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "GIBSON GUITAR CORP." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JUNE, A.D. 2003.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "GIBSON GUITAR CORP." WAS INCORPORATED ON THE FIRST DAY OF MARCH, A.D. 1985.

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

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Harriet Smith Windsor
Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State
AUTHENTICATOR: 2455805

DATE: 06-20-03

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