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TO: Amendment Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: EXCEL MCMASTER INVESTIGATIONS, P.C.
(Name of Corporation)

DOCUMENT NUMBER: F07000004274

The enclosed Amendment and fee are submitted for filing.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Helen M. Jensen
(Name of Contact Person)

Nisen & Elliott, LLC
(Firm/Company)

200 W. Adams Street, Suite 2500
(Address)

Chicago, Illinois 60606
(City/State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Helen M. Jensen at (312) 346-7800
(Name of Contact Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

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Mailing Address:
Amendment Section
Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Street Address:
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Division of Corporations
Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

PROFIT CORPORATION
APPLICATION BY FOREIGN PROFIT CORPORATION TO FILE AMENDMENT TO
APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

(Pursuant to s. 607.1504, F.S.)

SECTION I
(1-3 MUST BE COMPLETED)

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1. EXCEL McMASTER INVESTIGATIONS, P.C.
(Name of corporation as it appears on the records of the Department of State)

2. Illinois 3. August 23, 2007
(Incorporated under laws of) (Date authorized to do business in Florida)

SECTION II
(4-7 COMPLETE ONLY THE APPLICABLE CHANGES)

4. If the amendment changes the name of the corporation, when was the change effected under the laws of its jurisdiction of incorporation? October 23, 2008

5. AMICUS PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES, INC.
(Name of corporation after the amendment, adding suffix "corporation," "company," or "incorporated," or appropriate abbreviation, if not contained in new name of the corporation)

(If new name is unavailable in Florida, enter alternate corporate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida)

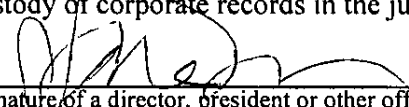
6. If the amendment changes the period of duration, indicate new period of duration.

(New duration)

7. If the amendment changes the jurisdiction of incorporation, indicate new jurisdiction.

(New jurisdiction)

8. Attached is a certificate or document of similar import, evidencing the amendment, authenticated not more than 90 days prior to delivery of the application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the laws of which it is incorporated.

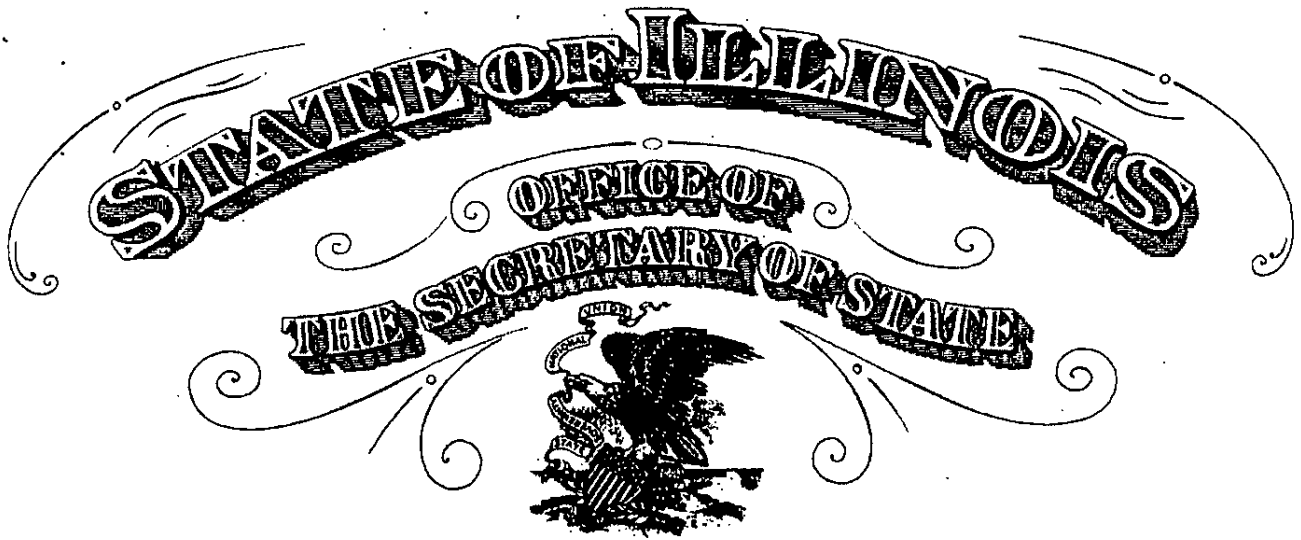
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(Signature of a director, president or other officer - if in the hands of a receiver or other court appointed fiduciary, by that fiduciary)

Kenneth McMaster
(Typed or printed name of person signing)

President
(Title of person signing)

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To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

I, Jesse White, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that

ATTACHED HERETO IS A TRUE AND CORRECT COPY, CONSISTING OF 7 PAGE(S),
AS TAKEN FROM THE ORIGINAL ON FILE IN THIS OFFICE FOR AMICUS
PROFESSIONAL LEGAL SERVICES, INC..



*In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set
my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of
the State of Illinois, this 13TH
day of NOVEMBER A.D. 2008 .*

Jesse White

File Number 5935-689-5

State of Illinois
Office of
The Secretary of State

Whereas,

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF
EXCEL MCMASTER INVESTIGATIONS, P.C.
INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS HAVE BEEN
FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE AS PROVIDED BY THE
BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF ILLINOIS, IN FORCE JULY 1, A.D. 1984.

Now Therefore, I, George H. Ryan, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, by virtue of the powers vested in me by law, do hereby issue this certificate and attach hereto a copy of the Application of the aforesaid corporation.



C-212.2

In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, at the City of Springfield, this 9TH day of APRIL A.D. 19 97 and of the Independence of the United States the two hundred and 21ST

George H. Ryan

Secretary of State

Form: **BCA-2.10****ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

(Rev. Jan. 1995)

George H. Ryan
Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
Springfield, IL 62756

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GEORGE H. RYAN
SECRETARY OF STATE

Payment must be made by certified check, cashier's check, Illinois attorney's check, Illinois C.P.A.'s check or money order, payable to "Secretary of State."

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Secretary of State

Date 4-1-97

Franchise Tax \$ 25.00
Filing Fee \$ 75.00
100.00Approved: *sl*1. CORPORATE NAME: Excel McMaster Investigations, P.C. 649

(The corporate name must contain the word "corporation", "company", "incorporated," "limited" or an abbreviation thereof.)

2. Initial Registered Agent:	<u>Anthony</u>	<u>Packard</u>
	<i>First Name</i>	<i>Last name</i>
Initial Registered Office:	<u>200 West Adams Street</u>	<u>2500</u>
	<i>Number</i>	<i>Street</i>
	<u>Chicago</u>	<u>IL</u>
	<i>City</i>	<i>State</i>
	<u>60606</u>	<u>Cook</u>
	<i>Zip Code</i>	<i>County</i>

3. Purpose or purposes for which the corporation is organized:
(If not sufficient space to cover this point, add one or more sheets of this size.)

To practice the profession of private detective rendering that type of professional service and services ancillary thereto.

Service will be rendered from the following address:
4014 W. 127th, Alsip, Illinois

4. Paragraph 1: Authorized Shares, Issued Shares and Consideration Received:

Class	Par Value per Share	Number of Shares Authorized	Number of Shares Proposed to be Issued	Consideration to be Received Therefor
Common	\$ NPV	1,000	1,000	\$1,000

TOTAL = \$1,000

Paragraph 2: The preferences, qualifications, limitations, restrictions and special or relative rights in respect of the shares of each class are:

(If not sufficient space to cover this point, add one or more sheets of this size.)

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5. OPTIONAL: (a) Number of directors constituting the initial board of directors of the corporation: two
(b) Names and addresses of the persons who are to serve as directors until the first annual meeting of shareholders or until their successors are elected and qualify:

Name	Residential Address	City, State, ZIP
<u>Kenneth H. McMaster</u>	<u>10737 S. Sawyer</u>	<u>Chicago, IL 60655</u>
<u>Edward D. Sonne, Jr.</u>	<u>4500 W. 115th Pl.</u>	<u>Alsip, IL 60658</u>

6. OPTIONAL: (a) It is estimated that the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year wherever located will be: \$ _____
(b) It is estimated that the value of the property to be located within the State of Illinois during the following year will be: \$ _____
(c) It is estimated that the gross amount of business that will be transacted by the corporation during the following year will be: \$ _____
(d) It is estimated that the gross amount of business that will be transacted from places of business in the State of Illinois during the following year will be: \$ _____

7. OPTIONAL: **OTHER PROVISIONS**

Attach a separate sheet of this size for any other provision to be included in the Articles of Incorporation, e.g., authorizing preemptive rights, denying cumulative voting, regulating internal affairs, voting majority requirements, fixing a duration other than perpetual, etc.

8. **NAME(S) & ADDRESS(ES) OF INCORPORATOR(S)**

The undersigned incorporator(s) hereby declare(s), under penalties of perjury, that the statements made in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation are true.

Dated February, 19 97.

Signature	Signature and Name
1. <u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Kenneth H. McMaster</u>
	(Type or Print Name)
2. <u>[Signature]</u>	<u>Edward D. Sonne, Jr.</u>
	(Type or Print Name)
3. _____	_____
	(Type or Print Name)

Address
1. <u>4014 West 127th Street</u>
<u>Alsip, Illinois 60658</u>
City/Town State Zip Code
2. <u>4014 West 127th Street</u>
<u>Alsip, Illinois 60658</u>
City/Town State Zip Code
3. _____
City/Town State Zip Code

(Signatures must be in BLACK INK on original document. Carbon copy, photocopy or rubber stamp signatures may only be used on conformed copies.)

NOTE: If a corporation acts as incorporator, the name of the corporation and the state of incorporation shall be shown and the execution shall be by its president or vice president and verified by him, and attested by its secretary or assistant secretary.

FEE SCHEDULE

- The initial franchise tax is assessed at the rate of 15/100 of 1 percent (\$1.50 per \$1,000) on the paid-in capital represented in this state, with a minimum of \$25.
- The filing fee is \$75.
- The minimum total due (franchise tax + filing fee) is \$100.
(Applies when the consideration to be recovered as set forth in Item 4 does not exceed \$10,000)
- The Department of Business Services in Springfield will provide assistance in calculating the total fees if necessary.
Illinois Secretary of State Springfield, IL 62756
Department of Business Services Telephone (217) 782-9522 or 782-9523

FORM **BCA 10.30** (rev. Dec. 2003)
ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT
Business Corporation Act

Secretary of State
Department of Business Services
Springfield, IL 62756
217-782-1832
www.cyberdriveillinois.com

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JESSE WHITE
SECRETARY OF STATE



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Approved: SN

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1. Corporate Name (See Note 1 on page 4.): Excel McMaster Investigations, P/C.

2. Manner of Adoption of Amendment:

The following amendment to the Articles of Incorporation was adopted on October 1, 2008
in the manner indicated below: Month & Day Year

Mark an "X" in one box only.

- ☐ By a majority of the incorporators, provided no directors were named in the Articles of Incorporation and no directors have been elected. (See Note 2 on page 4.)
- ☐ By a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.10, the Corporation having issued no shares as of the time of adoption of this amendment. (See Note 2 on page 4.)
- ☐ By a majority of the board of directors, in accordance with Section 10.15, shares having been issued but shareholder action not being required for the adoption of the amendment. (See Note 3 on page 4.)
- ☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Section 10.20, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. At a meeting of shareholders, not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the Articles of Incorporation were voted in favor of the amendment. (See Note 4 on page 4.)
- ☐ By the shareholders, in accordance with Sections 10.20 and 7.10, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by shareholders having not less than the minimum number of votes required by statute and by the Articles of Incorporation. Shareholders who have not consented in writing have been given notice in accordance with Section 7.10. (See Notes 4 and 5 on page 4.)
- ☒ By the shareholders, in accordance with Section 10.20, a resolution of the board of directors having been duly adopted and submitted to the shareholders. A consent in writing has been signed by all the shareholders entitled to vote on this amendment. (See Note 5 on page 4.)

3. Text of Amendment:

- a. When amendment effects a name change, insert the New Corporate Name below. Use page 2 for all other amendments.

Article I: Name of the Corporation: Amicus Professional Legal Services, Inc.
New Name

(All changes other than name include on page 2.)

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DEPARTMENT OF
BUSINESS SERVICES

Text of Amendment

- b. If amendment affects the corporate purpose, the amended purpose is required to be set forth in its entirety.
For more space, attach additional sheets of this size.

4. The manner, if not set forth in Article 3b, in which any exchange, reclassification or cancellation of issued shares, or a reduction of the number of authorized shares of any class below the number of issued shares of that class, provided for or effected by this amendment, is as follows (If not applicable, insert "No change"):
NO CHANGE

5. a. The manner, if not set forth in Article 3b, in which said amendment effects a change in the amount of paid-in capital is as follows (If not applicable, insert "No change"):
(Paid-in capital replaces the terms Stated Capital and Paid-in Surplus and is equal to the total of these accounts.)

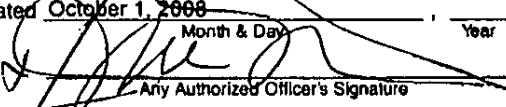
NO CHANGE

- b. The amount of paid-in capital as changed by this amendment is as follows (If not applicable, insert "No change"):
(Paid-in Capital replaces the terms Stated Capital and Paid-in Surplus and is equal to the total of these accounts.)
(See Note 6 on page 4.)

	Before Amendment	After Amendment
Paid-in Capital:	\$ _____	\$ _____

Complete either Item 6 or Item 7 below. All signatures must be in BLACK INK.

6. The undersigned Corporation has caused this statement to be signed by a duly authorized officer who affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true and correct.

Dated <u>October 1, 2008</u>	<u>Excel McMaster Investigations, P.C.</u>
<u>Month & Day</u>	<u>Exact Name of Corporation</u>
<u>Year</u>	
	
<u>Any Authorized Officer's Signature</u>	
<u>Kenneth McMaster</u>	
<u>Name and Title (type or print)</u>	

7. If amendment is authorized pursuant to Section 10.10 by the incorporators, the incorporators must sign below, and type or print name and title.

OR

If amendment is authorized by the directors pursuant to Section 10.10 and there are no officers, a majority of the directors, or such directors as may be designated by the board, must sign below, and type or print name and title.

The undersigned affirms, under penalties of perjury, that the facts stated herein are true and correct.

Dated _____	_____
<u>Month & Day</u>	<u>Year</u>
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

NOTES AND INSTRUCTIONS

1. State the true exact corporate name as it appears on the records of the Office of the Secretary of State **BEFORE** any amendments herein reported.
2. Incorporators are permitted to adopt amendments **ONLY** before any shares have been issued and before any directors have been named or elected. (§ 10.10)
3. Directors may adopt amendments without shareholder approval in only seven instances, as follows:
 - a. To remove the names and addresses of directors named in the Articles of Incorporation.
 - b. To remove the name and address of the initial registered agent and registered office, provided a statement pursuant to §5.10 is also filed.
 - c. To increase, decrease, create or eliminate the par value of the shares of any class, so long as no class or series of shares is adversely affected.
 - d. To split the issued whole shares and unissued authorized shares by multiplying them by a whole number, so long as no class or series is adversely affected thereby.
 - e. To change the corporate name by substituting the word "corporation," "incorporated," "company," "limited" or the abbreviation "corp.," "inc.," "co.," or "ltd." for a similar word or abbreviation in the name, or by adding a geographical attribution to the name.
 - f. To reduce the authorized shares of any class pursuant to a cancellation statement filed in accordance with §9.05.
 - g. To restate the Articles of Incorporation as currently amended. (§10.15)
4. All amendments not adopted under §10.10 or §10.15 require (1) that the board of directors adopt a resolution setting forth the proposed amendment and (2) that the shareholders approve the amendment.

Shareholder approval may be (1) by vote at a shareholders' meeting (either annual or special) or (2) by consent, in writing, without a meeting.

To be adopted, the amendment must receive the affirmative vote or consent of the holders of at least two-thirds of the outstanding shares entitled to vote on the amendment (but if class voting applies, then also at least a two-thirds vote within each class is required).

The Articles of Incorporation may supersede the two-thirds vote requirement by specifying any smaller or larger vote requirement not less than a majority of the outstanding shares entitled to vote and not less than a majority within each class when class voting applies. (§10.20)

5. When shareholder approval is by consent, all shareholders must be given notice of the proposed amendment at least five days before the consent is signed. If the amendment is adopted, shareholders who have not signed the consent must be promptly notified of the passage of the amendment. (§§7.10 & 10.20)
6. In the event of an increase in paid-in capital, the corporation must pay all applicable franchise taxes, penalties and interest before this document can be accepted for filing.