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## LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

VLM INVESTMENT, LLC

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We, the undersigned, who intend to form and create a Limited Liability Company, PURSUANT TO Florida Statute §608.407, do hereby state and certify the following:

1. The name of the Liability Company shall be VLM Investment, LLC.
2. The registered office of the company is located at 5777 Beneva Road South, Sarasota, Florida 34233. Its registered agent is Daniel L. Prewett for service of Process.
3. The principal place of business and mailing address of the Company is located at 3317 South School Ave., Sarasota, FL 34239.
4. The purpose for which the company is formed is to engage in any lawful acts or activities for which limited liability companies may be formed under laws of the above named state.
5. The duration of the company shall be perpetual.
6. Indemnification.
  - A. The company shall indemnify any person who is or was a party, or who is threatened to be made a party, to any threatened, pending or completed action, suit proceeding, whether civil, criminal, administrative or investigative, including all appeals, by reason of the fact that he or she is or was a member, managing member or employee of the company, or is or was serving at the request of the company as a director, trustee, officer or employee of another limited liability company, corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust or other enterprise, against any and all expenses (including reasonable attorney's fees) judgments, decrees, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement, which were actually and reasonably incurred by him or her in connection with such action, suit or proceeding, if he or she acted in good faith and in a manner which he or she reasonably believed to be in, or at least not opposed to, the best interests of the company, and with respect to any criminal action or proceeding, he or she had no reasonable cause to believe his or her conduct was unlawful. The termination of any action, suit or proceeding by judgment, order, settlement, conviction, or plea of nolo contendere or its equivalent shall not, of itself, create a presumption that the person did not act in good faith and in a manner which he or

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she reasonably believed to be in, or at least not opposed to, the best interest of the company.

- B. The foregoing indemnification shall not apply in the case of an action, suit or proceeding instituted by one or more members of the company, if the claim, matter or issue raised therein is determined by a court of competent jurisdiction to have resulted from the negligence or misconduct of the member(s) seeking indemnification; provided, however, that such indemnification shall nonetheless apply if, in view of all of the circumstances of the case, such court shall determine that such member(s) is/are fairly and reasonably entitled to indemnification, with respect to such expenses, judgments, decrees, fines, penalties and amounts paid in settlement as determined by the court.
- C. Expenses of each person indemnified hereunder, incurred defending against a civil, criminal, administrative or investigative action, suit or proceeding (including all appeals), or threat thereof, may be paid by the company in advance of the final disposition of such action, suit or proceeding, as authorized by a majority in interest of the members, upon receipt of an undertaking by such person to repay such amount unless it shall ultimately be determined that he or she is entitled to be indemnified by the company.
7. Composition of management. The management of the company will be vested in a single manager, who is not required to be a member of the company, designated in accordance with the terms of the company operating agreement.
8. The name and address of the Manager of the Company is as follows:
- VLM Management, LLC 3317 South School Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34239
9. The names and addresses of the General Members of the Company are as follows:

Member	Address
Roy D. Middleton	3317 South School Ave. Sarasota, FL 34239
Patricia A. Middleton	3317 South School Ave. Sarasota, FL 34239

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Veronica L. Middleton

3317 South School Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34239

Middleton Revocable Family Trust

3317 South School Ave.  
Sarasota, FL 34239


10. The company shall have the right to add additional members according to the terms of the Operating Agreement.
11. The members may continue business upon an event of dissolution only according to the terms of the Operating Agreement.
12. The company shall be initially organized with at least two members

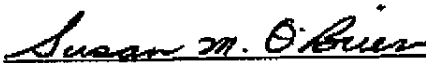
  
 Roy D. Middleton, Member

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On the 22<sup>nd</sup> day of August, 2002, personally appeared before me Roy D. Middleton, the signer of the within instrument, who duly acknowledged to me that he executed the same.

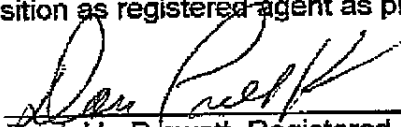

 Susan M. O'Brien  
 My Commission CC943563  
 Expires June 26 2004

  
 Notary Public

## STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

The following is submitted, in compliance with Florida Statutes §608.

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above state 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 Florida Statute §608.

  
 Daniel L. Prewett, Registered Agent
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