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## COVER LETTER

**TO:** Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** Tampa Bay Veterinary Surgery, LLC

(Name of Resulting Florida Limited Company)

The enclosed Certificate of Conversion, Articles of Organization, and fees are submitted to convert an "Other Business Entity" into a "Florida Limited Liability Company" in accordance with s. 608.439, F.S.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to:

John P. Martin

(Contact Person)

John P. Martin, P.A.

(Firm/Company)

401 S. Lincoln Avenue

(Address)

Clearwater, Florida 33756

(City, State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

John P. Martin

(Name of Contact Person)

at ( 727 ) 467-9470

(Area Code and Daytime Telephone Number)

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

\$150.00 Filing Fees  
(\$25 for Conversion  
& \$125 for Articles  
of Organization)       \$155.00 Filing Fees  
and Certificate of  
Status       \$180.00 Filing Fees  
and Certified Copy       \$185.00 Filing Fees,  
Certified Copy, and  
Certificate of Status

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Division of Corporations  
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2661 Executive Center Circle  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

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JOHN P MARTIN PA  
401 S LINCOLN AVE  
CLEARWATER, FL 33756

SUBJECT: TAMPA BAY VETERINARY SURGERY, LLC  
Ref. Number: W08000046981

We have received your document for TAMPA BAY VETERINARY SURGERY, LLC and your check(s) totaling \$150.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The registered agent must sign accepting the designation.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6855.

Tammy Hampton  
Regulatory Specialist II  
Registration/Qualification Section

Letter Number: 108A00053502

**Certificate of Conversion**  
For  
**“Other Business Entity”**  
Into  
**Florida Limited Liability Company**

This Certificate of Conversion **and attached Articles of Organization** are submitted to convert the following **“Other Business Entity”** into a **Florida Limited Liability Company** in accordance with s.608.439, Florida Statutes.

1. The name of the “Other Business Entity” immediately prior to the filing of this Certificate of Conversion is:

Tampa Bay Veterinary Surgery, Inc.

**(Enter Name of Other Business Entity)**

2. The “Other Business Entity” is a corporation.

**(Enter entity type. Example: corporation, limited partnership, sole proprietorship, general partnership, common law or business trust, etc.)**

first organized, formed or incorporated under the laws of Florida

**(Enter state, or if a non-U.S. entity, the name of the country)**

on 07/25/1990.

**(Enter date “Other Business Entity” was first organized, formed or incorporated)**

3. If the jurisdiction of the “Other Business Entity” was changed, the state or country under the laws of which it is now organized, formed or incorporated:

4. The name of the Florida Limited Liability Company as set forth in the **attached Articles of Organization**:

Tampa Bay Veterinary Surgery, LLC

**(Enter Name of Florida Limited Liability Company)**

5. If not effective on the date of filing, enter the effective date:

**(The effective date: 1) cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this document is filed by the Florida Department of State; AND 2) must be the same as the effective date listed in the attached Articles of Organization, if an effective date is listed therein.)**

Signed this \_\_\_\_\_ day of September \_\_\_\_\_ 2008.

**Signature of Member or Authorized Representative of Limited Liability Company:**

Signature of Member or Authorized Representative:

Printed Name: Melvin L. Helpfrey Title: Manager

**Signature(s) on behalf of Other Business Entity: [See below for required signature(s).]**

Signature:

Printed Name: Melvin L. Helpfrey Title: President

Signature:

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Title: \_\_\_\_\_

**If Florida Corporation:**

Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, Director, or Officer.

If Directors or Officers have not been selected, an Incorporator must sign.

**If Florida General Partnership or Limited Liability Partnership:**

Signature of one General Partner.

**If Florida Limited Partnership or Limited Liability Limited Partnership:**

Signatures of ALL General Partners.

**All others:**

Signature of an authorized person.

**Fees:**

Certificate of Conversion:	\$25.00
Fees for Florida Articles of Organization:	\$125.00
Certified Copy:	\$30.00 (Optional)
Certificate of Status:	\$5.00 (Optional)

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## ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FOR FLORIDA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

### ARTICLE I - Name:

The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

Tampa Bay Veterinary Surgery, LLC

(Must end with the words "Limited Liability Company," the abbreviation "L.L.C.," or the designation "LLC.")

### ARTICLE II - Address:

The mailing address and street address of the principal office of the Limited Liability Company is:

Principal Office Address:

1501 A Belcher Road S  
Largo, Florida 33771

Mailing Address:

1501 A Belcher Road S  
Largo, Florida 33771

### ARTICLE III - Registered Agent, Registered Office, & Registered Agent's

#### Signature:

(The Limited Liability Company cannot serve as its own Registered Agent. You must designate an individual or another business entity with an active Florida registration.)

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

John P. Martin  
Name  
401 S. Lincoln Avenue  
Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)  
Clearwater FL 33756  
City, State, and Zip

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*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, F.S..*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Registered Agent's Signature (REQUIRED)

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**ARTICLE IV- Manager(s) or Managing Member(s):**

The name and address of each Manager or Managing Member is as follows:

**Title:**

"MGR" = Manager

"MGRM" = Managing Member

**Name and Address:**

MGR

Melvin L. Helpfrey

104 Dutchman Lane

Asheville, NC 28803

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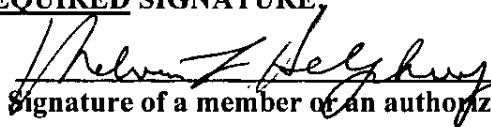
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**ARTICLE V: Effective date, if other than the date of filing: \_\_\_\_\_.**

(OPTIONAL)

(The effective date: 1) cannot be prior to nor more than 90 days after the date this document is filed by the Florida Department of State; AND 2) must be the same as the effective date listed in the attached Certificate of Conversion, if an effective date is listed therein.)

**REQUIRED SIGNATURE:**



**Signature of a member or an authorized representative of a member.**

(In accordance with section 608.408(3), Florida Statutes, the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)

Melvin L. Helpfrey

Typed or printed name of signee

**Filing Fees:**

**\$125.00 Filing Fee for Articles of Organization and Designation  
of Registered Agent**

**\$ 30.00 Certified Copy (Optional)**

**\$ 5.00 Certificate of Status (Optional)**

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