## L 22000531499

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RE: Bender Public Accounting

## Statement of Fact

This letter is regarding document number L22000531499.

- 1. Bender Public Accounting (BPA) was formed in October 2019.
- 2. The owner, Richard Bender III, filed with the state of Florida and the IRS. Attached is the SS4 that was received from the IRS showing BPA was established in October 2019.
- 3. In 2020, a DBA was filed under BPA as Bender Accounting and Taxes.
- 4. In October 2021, BPA hired its first employee and began paying payroll taxes and state unemployment taxes. Attached is the first page of the RT6 filed for quarter 4 of 2021.
- 5. In July of 2022, Mr. Bender went into partnership with Justin Wagg. BPA was never part of that partnership; however, Mr. Wagg took it upon himself to file Articles of Organization for BPA with Sunbiz in December 2022, making himself a manager and electronically signed Mr. Bender's name. Mr. Bender never approved of this change nor was he even aware of that change.
- 6. In January of 2023, Mr. Wagg filed the 2023 annual report for BPA and added Juri Holdings as a manager. Juri Holdings is the partnership that Mr. Bender and Mr. Wagg created. Again, this was done without Mr. Bender's knowledge or approval.
- 7. In May 2023, Mr. Wagg mailed in an Articles of Amendment to change the name to Juri Accounting, LLC. Again, this was done without the consent of Mr. Bender.
- 8. In September 2023, Mr. Wagg filed another amendment to change the address to 1041 E Rose St. That address is not where BPA is currently located nor has ever been located. This was done without Mr. Bender's knowledge, and he does not know why Mr. Wagg changed the address.

- 9. In January of 2024, Mr. Bender discovered that Mr. Wagg had committed fraud in the other businesses they own together and after he consulted his legal team, took action.
- 10. On February 2, 2024, Mr. Bender directed his staff to file the annual reports with Sunbiz and remove Mr. Wagg.
- 11. February 5, 2024, Mr. Bender noticed the name change that had been made and filed an amendment to correct the name to Bender Public Accounting.
- 12. February 9, 2024, the state of Florida accepted the amendment and corrected the errors that were made.

We would like the records to show that Bender Public Accounting has been operating in the state of Florida since October 2019.

Regards.
Richard Bardy III

Richard Bender III Founding Partner MALISHA GLASS

Notary Public, State of Florida

My comm. expires April 5, 2025

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