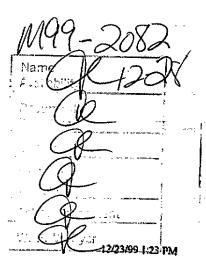


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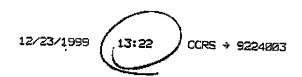
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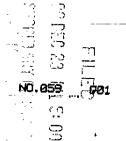


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APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT RUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 688.503, FLORIDA STATUTES. THE PULLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A POREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

	GP (FL) FUNDING LLC (Name of foreign	limited liability company)
		3. Applied For
	Delaware (Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited lizability company is organized)	3. Applied For (FEI number, if applicable)
	_ 10.1000	5 Perpetual
	December 10, 1999 (Onte of Organization)	(Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpennal")
	December 14, 1999 (Date first transacted business in Florida. (See sec	ntions 608.501, 608.502, and 817.155. F.S.)
	Principal office: 6 East Bay Street, Suite 4	DD* NUCLEAR A
	Limited liability company is managed by the	he following individuals: Peter T. Kirkwood Mark A. Ferrucci
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	Mark A. Ferrucci c/o CT Corporation System Corporation Trust Center 1209 Orange Street Wilmington, DE 19801	Peter T. Kirkwood 601 Bayshore Blvd, Suite 700 Tampa, Florida 33606
	official having custody of records in the	ence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the urisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (A icate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate
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	Nature of business or purposes to be concany and all lawful business, including, business harded hereto. Signature of a member or as	nitted.
	Nature of business or purposes to be containly and all lawful business, including, business including, business including business in affirmation under the penaltic	ducted or promoted in Florida: For the purpose of conducting at not limited to, those activities set forth on Exhibit "A" authorized representative of a member.

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EXHIBIT "A"

- 1. <u>Purposes</u>. The purpose to be conducted or promoted by the Company is to engage in the following activities:
- (a) to purchase, accept an assignment of, acquire, own, hold, collect, pledge, sell, finance or otherwise assign all or any portion of fees awarded in conjunction with litigation brought on behalf of a certain state or states against tobacco companies (the "Fee Award");
- (b) to take any and all steps necessary or desirable to administer, secure and collect the Fee Award:
- (c) to acquire, own, hold, sell, transfer, service, convey, safekeep, dispose of, pledge, assign, borrow money against, finance, refinance or otherwise deal with the Fee Award, publicly or privately and whether with unrelated third parties or with affiliated entities;
- (d) to own equity interests in other limited liability companies or partnerships whose purposes are restricted to those set forth in clauses (a) through (c) above;
- (e) to engage in any lawful act or activity and to exercise any powers permitted to limited liability companies organized under the laws of the State of Delaware provided that such act, activity or powers are related or incidental to and necessary, for the accomplishment of the above-mentioned purposes;
- (f) to borrow money and otherwise incur indebtedness from third parties and to pledge or otherwise grant security interests in its assets to secure such indebtedness, but only to the extent permitted hereunder;
- (g) to issue limited liability company interests as provided for herein and any other securities deemed appropriate by the Board of Directors of the Company; and
- (h) to take any and all other actions necessary to maintain the existence of the Company as a limited liability company in good standing under the laws of the State of Delaware and/or to qualify the Company to do business as a foreign limited liability company in any other state in which such qualification, in the opinion of the Board of Directors, is required.

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CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1.	The name of the Limited Liability Company is:		
	GP (FL) FUNDING LLC		
2.	The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are:		
	D. Lockwood Gray (Name)		
	Annis, Minchell, Cockey, Edwards & Roehn, P.A.		
	201 N. Franklin Street, Suite 2200 Florida street address (P.O. Box NOT ACCEPTABLE)		
	Tamps, Florids 33602 City/Saite/Zip		

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.

D. Dockwood Gray

\$100.00 Filing Fee for Application \$ 25.00 Designation of Registered Agent \$ 30.00 Certified Copy (optional) \$ 5.00 Certificate of Status (optional)

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I, EDWARD J. FREEL, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "GP (FL) FUNDING LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TENTE DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 1999.

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Edward J. Freel, Secretary of State

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