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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION



#### **OF**

## EMERALD SOCIETY OF TAMPA BAY, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a not for profit corporation under Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation:

#### ARTICLE I: NAME

The name of the corporation is EMERALD SOCIETY OF TAMPA BAY, INC.

#### ARTICLE II: PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of the corporation is P.O. Box 663, Thonotosassa, FL 33592.

#### ARTICLE III: PURPOSE

The purpose of this corporation is to promote and educate individuals of Irish heritage entrusted in the enforcement of laws duly enacted pursuant to the Constitution of the United States of America, the State of Florida, and pride in their Irish heritage and culture. To educate said individuals to the importance of the contributions made by Irish-Americans in the community, to maintain the high levels of competence, achievement, professionalism and courage as historically exhibited by Irish immigrants and their heritage. To uphold and defend the United States of America. To

promote fraternalism in and among the society. To enhance professionalism within the law enforcement, fire, EMS and public safety confines to create respect and good will within the community. To encourage participation in community activities and charitable endeavors. To aid and assist worthy/needy members (current), which are in the best interest of the organization. To promote legislation beneficial to law enforcement, fire, EMS and public safety. To aid current members families in the event of a death in the line of duty. This is a 501c-3 corporation.

#### ARTICLE IV: QUALIFICATION

The qualifications for members and the manner of their admission are stated in the bylaws of the corporation.

### ARTICLE V: INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The initial registered office and agent of the corporation is R. Jeffrey Stull, R. Jeffrey Stull, P.A., 602 South Boulevard, Tampa, FL 33606.

## ARTICLE VI: INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The number of persons constituting the Board of Directors of the corporation is initially. The manner in which the directors are elected is stated in the corporate bylaws. The name and address of each person who is to serve as a member of the initial Board of Directors is President/Director, Kelly McLaren, Vice-President/Director, Gary Gilkey, Treasurer/Director, Lisa Croissant, Secretary/Director, Barbara Martin, Chaplain/Director, Ed Anetil, Sargent @

Arms/Director, Edward Croissant, P.O. Box 663, Thonotosassa, Florida 33592.

### ARTICLE VII: NON-STOCK BASIS

The corporation is organized under a non-stock basis.

#### ARTICLE VIII: DISSOLUTION

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in sections 501(c) (3) and 170 (c) (2) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954 or corresponding sections of any prior or future law, or to the Federal, State or local government for exclusive public purpose.

#### ARTICLE IX: INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is Capital Connection, Inc., 417 E. Virginia St., Suite 1, Tallahassee, FL 32301.

#### ARTICLE X: AMENDMENTS

The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions of these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment(s) thereto.

## ARTICLE XI: CORPORATE POWERS

The corporate powers of this corporation are as provided in section 617.0302, Florida Statutes.

The undersigned incorporator has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 13th day of March 2002.

"Capital Connection, Inc. by Leilani White, Client Representative"

## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of section 607.0501, Florida statutes, the mentioned corporation, organized under the laws of the state of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the registered agent/registered office, in the state of Florida.

1.	The name of the corporation is:	EMERALD	SOCIETY	OF	TAMPA	BAY,	INC
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2. The name and street address of the registered agent and office is:

R. JEFFREY STULL R. JEFFREY STULL, P.A. 602 South Boulevard Tampa, Florida 33606

HAVE BEEN NAMED REGISTERED AGENT AND TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED CORPORATION 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.

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