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NAME: NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE  
AND THE LAW, INC.

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XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND THE LAW, INC.  
a Florida Non-Profit Corporation**

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**ARTICLE I  
NAME OF CORPORATION**

The name of the Corporation shall be **NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND THE LAW, INC.**, (hereinafter, the "Corporation").

**ARTICLE II  
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The street address of the principal place of business and mailing address, if different, of the Corporation are:

101 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3200  
Tampa, Florida 33601

**ARTICLE III  
CORPORATE PURPOSE**

The Corporation is organized as a corporation not-for-profit and will be operated exclusively for general educational, scientific, charitable, and other purposes to clarify issues pertaining to science and the law; to facilitate research and discussion; and to provide training information when necessary as allowed under Section 617, Florida Statutes, and Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, and shall exercise all rights, powers, and privileges allowed thereunder, including, but not limited to:

- (a) operating a private charitable organization exempt from federal income tax under Internal Revenue Code 501(c)(3) for the purposes set forth herein;
- (b) providing information on, promoting community-wide interest in, and examining issues relating to the legal implications of the use of technology in the justice system; focusing on establishing an Information Clearinghouse, not as a policy making body, but through a series of Working Groups to conduct a national needs assessment; working with the National Institute of Justice to initiate a science and law grant program; and initiating a series of educational, scientific and related training programs in furtherance of these goals.
- (c) obtaining funds from public and private sources, including the application for and receipt of grants from state or federal governmental authorities, public and private foundations and

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- corporations, and individuals to promote and advance the educational, scientific, and charitable goals of the Corporation
- (c) making donations to organizations which qualify as tax-exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code or corresponding section of any future federal tax code; and
  - (d) exercising all powers necessary or convenient to effect any or all of the purposes for which the Corporation is organized.

**ARTICLE IV  
DIRECTORS - MANNER OF ELECTION**

The Bylaws of the Corporation shall set forth the manner of election of the Directors of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE V  
INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is three. The Bylaws of the Corporation shall set forth the names and addresses of the Directors of the Corporation.

**ARTICLE VI  
INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The name and address of the initial Registered Agent of the Corporation are:

Richard J. Salem, Esq.  
Salem Saxon, P.A.  
101 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3200  
Tampa, Florida 33602

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**ARTICLE VII  
INCORPORATOR**

The name and street address of the Incorporator is:

Richard J. Salem, Esq.  
Salem Saxon, P.A.  
101 East Kennedy Blvd., Suite 3200  
Tampa, Florida 33601

**ARTICLE VIII  
EARNINGS AND POWERS**

No part of the Corporation's net earnings will inure to the benefit of members. The Corporation will not, as a substantial part of its activities, attempt to influence legislation or participate to any extent in a political campaign for or against any candidate for public office.

**ARTICLE IX  
DURATION**

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE X  
DISSOLUTION**

Upon the voluntary or involuntary dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the debts and liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the Corporation exclusively for charitable, educational, or scientific purposes to an exempt organization or organizations qualified at that time under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such asset not so disposed of shall be disposed of in accordance with the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act by organizations qualified as exempt organizations as stated herein, and in accordance therewith.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2002, for the purposes of forming this non-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, and I hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida, these Articles of Incorporation, and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

  
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RICHARD J. SALEM, Esq., Incorporator


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STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 19<sup>th</sup> day of March, 2002, by  
RICHARD J. SALEM.

**SARA G. ROYER**  
Notary Public, State of Florida  
My comm. exp. Sept. 19, 2004  
Comm. No. CC 968637

  
Notary Public - State of Florida  
Serial Number (if any): \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE  
FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA,  
NAMING AGENT UPON WHICH PROCESS MAY BE SERVICED**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 617.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING  
IS SUBMITTED:

FIRST - THAT THE NATIONAL INSTITUTE FOR SCIENCE AND THE LAW, INC.,  
DESIRING TO ORGANIZE OR QUALIFY AS A NOT-FOR-PROFIT CORPORATION UNDER  
THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, WITH ITS PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS IN  
THE CITY OF TAMPA, STATE OF FLORIDA, HAS NAMED RICHARD J. SALEM, ESQ., 101 E.  
KENNEDY BOULEVARD, SUITE 3200, TAMPA, STATE OF FLORIDA 33602, AS ITS AGENT  
TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN FLORIDA.

SIGNATURE: 

RICHARD J. SALEM, ESQ.  
INCORPORATOR

DATE: March 19, 2002

HAVING BEEN NAMED AS 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 RELATED TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE  
PERFORMANCE OF MY DUTIES, AND I AM FAMILIAR WITH AND ACCEPT THE  
OBLIGATIONS OF MY POSITION AS REGISTERED AGENT.

SIGNATURE: 

RICHARD J. SALEM, ESQ.  
(REGISTERED AGENT)

DATE: March 19, 2002