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Re:

Black Aviators of America, Inc.

Ref: Number: W02000007005

Dear Ms. Brown:

In reply to your correspondence dated March 13, 2002, attached are the corrected documents.

I can be reached at the captioned street address or e-mail address. My cellular number is 786-213-1246.

Regards,

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# FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Katherine Harris Secretary of State

March 13, 2002

ARMAND COLSON COLSON, SAWYER & ASSOCIATES, LLC 409 S.E. 16TH COURT FORT LAUDERDALE, FL 33316

SUBJECT: BLACK AVIATORS OF AMERICA, INC.

Ref. Number: W02000007005

We have received your document for BLACK AVIATORS OF AMERICA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

We regret that we were unable to contact you by phone. Please return the corrected document with a letter providing us with an address and telephone number where you can be reached during working hours.

Section 617.0803, Florida Statutes, requires that the board of directors never have fewer than three directors.

Please return the 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) 245-6972.

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

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The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person of STATE competent to contract and hereby form a not-for-profit corporation.

#### **ARTICLE 1 - NAME**

The name of the corporation is **Black Aviators of America**, Inc., (hereinafter, "Corporation").

#### ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The corporation is being organized to engage in any lawful purpose permissible under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, and to distribute the whole or any part of the income therefrom and the principal therof exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary or educational purposes, either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 and Regulations issued pursuant thereto, as they now exist or as they may hereafter be amended (the "Code"). The corporation is not a private foundation as defined under Section 509 of the Code, and shall receive a substantial part of its support directly or indirectly from contributions from the public.

The corporation will have as its' goal to expand the breath and depth of knowledge and awareness of the contributions of minority aviators to the rich history of American aviation. In furtherance of that goal, the corporation will develop historical archives of private, military and commercial aviators and serve as an educational resource for research data on minority aviators. The corporation will maintain a database of black aviators, promote camaraderie, develop networking opportunities, identify and address issues that affect Black Aviators, highlight aviation opportunities in minority communities, and enhance the professional image of Black Aviators throughout the military and corporate America. The corporation will establish an electronic information network dedicated to the open sharing of related ideas and supportive ideologies. Of equal importance, the corporation will provide financial assistance to minorities pursuing careers in commercial and military aviation.

#### <u>ARTICLE 3 – NET EARNINGS</u>

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of or be distributed to any director, officer of the corporation or any other private individual (except that reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for the corporation affecting one or more of its purposes); and no director or officer of the corporation, or any private individual shall be entitled to share in the distribution of any of the corporate assets on dissolution of the corporation.

#### ARTICLE 4 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office of this corporation is 409 S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Court, Fort Lauderdale, Florida 3316, and the mailing address is the same.

#### ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS

The Officers of the corporation shall be:

President / Treasurer:

Gregory R. Sawyer

Vice President / Secretary:

V. Armand Colson

### **ARTICLE 6 - DIRECTORS**

The initial Board of Directors of the corporation shall be:

Gregory R. Sawyer

V. Armand Colson

Cliff Curtis

409 S.E. 16th Court

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Mountain Laurel Terrace

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316 Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Stirling, Va. 20164

The election of additional members of the Board of Directors shall be in accordance with and as stated in the Bylaws.

#### <u>ARTICLE 7 – STOCKS</u>

The corporation is organized on a non-stock basis under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act. The corporation may issue Certificates of Membership.

## ARTICLE 8 - INCORPORATOR(S)

The name and street address of the incorporators are:

Gregory R. Sawyer

409 S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Court

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

V. Armand Colson

409 S.E. 16th Court

Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33316

Cliff Curtis

Mountain Laurel Terrace

Stirling, Va. 20164

Signature of Incorporator

Signature of Incorporator

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# CERTIFICATION OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT / REGISTERED OFFICE



PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 OR 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the Corporation is:

#### Black Aviators of America, Inc.

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

Armand Colson Colson, Sawyer & Associates, LLC 409 S.E. 16<sup>th</sup> Court Fort Lauderdale, Florida 33301

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 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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(Signature)