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Re: Solid Ground, Inc.

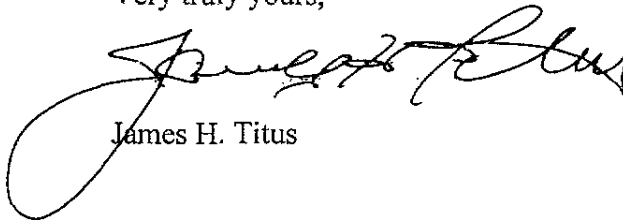
Dear Sir or Madam:

I am enclosing Articles of Incorporation for the above referenced corporation, fully executed, for filing with the Florida Secretary of State.

I am also enclosing a check made payable to the Florida Secretary of State in the amount of \$78.75 for the cost of filing said Articles. Please forward a certified copy of the Articles to me.

Thank you for your assistance, and please call me if you require anything further regarding this matter.

Very truly yours,



James H. Titus

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cc: Client

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**OF**

**SOLID GROUND, INC.**

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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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These Articles of Incorporation are made and subscribed for the purposes of organizing a corporation not for profit under the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act, Chapter 617, Florida Statutes.

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of this Corporation, hereinafter referred to as "the Corporation," is:

**SOLID GROUND, INC.**

**ARTICLE II - PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal office, place of business and mailing address of the Corporation is 2395 West Shamrock Drive, Venice, Florida 34293.

**ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

The purpose for which this Corporation is to be organized is exclusively for charitable, religious and educational purposes within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

#### **ARTICLE IV - LIMITATIONS AND RESTRICTIONS**

A. No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article III hereof.

B. No substantial part of the activities of the corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office.

C. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on:

1. by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code;  
or
2. by a corporation, contributions to which are deductible under Section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

D. Upon dissolution of the Corporation, assets of the Corporation remaining after payment of all costs and expenses of such dissolution, shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes or to organizations then qualifying as tax exempt within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code; and none of the assets will be distributed to any member, Officer or Director of the Corporation or to any private individual.

## **ARTICLE V - TERM AND DURATION**

The existence of this Corporation shall commence on the date of subscription and acknowledgment of these Articles, and shall be perpetual.

## **ARTICLE VI - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A. The affairs, property and business of the Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors consisting of the number of Directors determined by the Bylaws, but not less than three Directors, and in the absence of such determination, the Board shall consist of three Directors.

B. Directors of the Corporation shall serve for such terms and, at the annual meeting of members of the Corporation, be elected and hold office in the manner, as determined by the Bylaws of the Corporation. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board of Directors shall be filled in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

C. The initial Board of Directors of this Corporation who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified, or until removed or resign, shall be:

JESSE RYE BELL

Address: 1353 Lucaya Avenue; Venice, FL 34292

JEFFREY McCAY

Address: 670 Shetland; Nokomis, FL 34275

ANTHONY PLUMMER

Address: 1188 Panda Road; Venice, FL 34293

JAMES H. TITUS

Address: 1069 Truman Street; Nokomis, FL 34275

ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these Articles is:

JESSE RYE BELL  
Address: 1353 Lucaya Avenue; Venice, FL 34292

ARTICLE VIII - BYLAWS

The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal Bylaws shall be in the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE IX - AMENDMENT

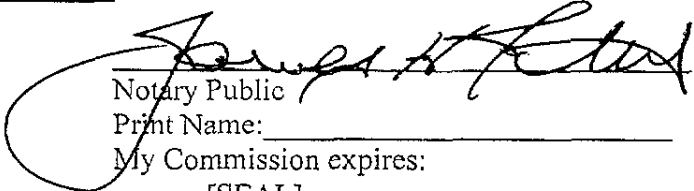
This Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change, or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or any amendment hereto, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this 29 day of May, 2003.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Jesse Rye Bell  
Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

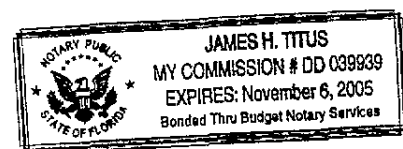
THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was acknowledged before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003 by JESSE RYE BELL, who is personally known to me or who produced \_\_\_\_\_ as identification and who did not take an oath.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Notary Public

Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_

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CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE  
SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT  
WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

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TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

Pursuant to Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said  
Act:

First--That **SOLID GROUND, INC.**, desiring to organize under the laws of the State of  
Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation at City of Venice, County  
of Sarasota, State of Florida, has named JESSE RYE BELL, 2395 West Shamrock Drive; Venice,  
Florida 34293, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

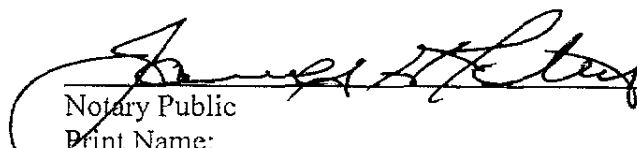
ACKNOWLEDGMENT: (MUST BE SIGNED BY DESIGNATED AGENT)

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-stated corporation, at place  
designated in this Certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the  
provision of said Act relative to keeping open said office.

  
JESSE RYE BELL  
Resident Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF SARASOTA

THE FOREGOING INSTRUMENT was acknowledged before me this 29<sup>th</sup> day of May, 2003  
by JESSE RYE BELL, who is personally known to me or who produced  
as identification and who did not take an oath.

  
Notary Public  
Print Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission expires: \_\_\_\_\_  
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