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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
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SUBJECT: St. Marks Trail Association  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

Enclosed is an original and one(1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for :

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**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

FROM: Jeff Hunter  
Name (Printed or typed)

219 Pine Lane  
Address

Crawfordville FL 32327  
City, State & Zip

(850) 925-7966  
Daytime Telephone number

**NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the articles.**

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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
of  
ST. MARKS TRAIL ASSOCIATION, INC.**

A Florida Not For Profit Corporation

**ARTICLE I**

**NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be the ST. MARKS TRAIL ASSOCIATION, INC., a Florida not for profit corporation.

**ARTICLE II**

**PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal place of business shall be 219 Pine Lane, Crawfordville, Florida 32327.

**ARTICLE III**

**PURPOSE**

1. The Corporation shall be at all times a not for profit corporation under the provision of the Florida Not For Profit Act [Fla. Stat. 617}. The Corporation shall be organized and shall be operated exclusively for public charitable and education uses within the meaning of Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
2. To act as a nonprofit organization to foster improvements of the St. Marks Trail; develop additional linkages and a network of trails that connect with or are proximate to the Trail, promote environmental, recreational, cultural and historical awareness of the Trail; *encourage use of the Trail as a healthful and safe facility for cycling, hiking, horseback riding, running, and related recreational activities; and support other bicycle/pedestrian activities within Florida and recreational areas associated with the St. Marks Trail.*
3. The Corporation shall have the full power and authority to:
  - (a) Conduct programs and activities; raise funds; request and receive grants, gifts, contributions, dues and bequests of money, real and personal property; acquire, receive, hold, invest and administer, in its own name, securities, funds, objects of value, or other property, real or personal; and make expenditures and distributions to or for the benefit of the St. Marks Trail and other organizations exempt under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.
  - (b) Carry on all the other activities allowed by the laws of the State of Florida and the United States for a charitable and educational organization.
  - (c) Borrow money and issue evidence of indebtedness in furtherance of any of all of the objects of its business.

(d) Within and subject to the limitations of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, to perform all other acts necessary or incidental to the above, and to do whatever is deemed necessary, useful, advisable, or conducive, directly or indirectly, to carry out any of the purposes of the Corporation, as set forth in these Articles of Incorporation, including the exercise of all other power and authority enjoyed by corporations generally by virtue of the provisions of the Florida Not For Profit Corporation Act.

4. The Cooperation shall serve only such purpose and functions and shall engage only in such activities as are consonant with the purposes set forth in these Articles and as are exclusively charitable under Section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

#### **ARTICLE IV**

##### **MANNER OF ELECTION**

1. The management of the Association shall be vested in a President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, and a Board of Directors.
2. Each Board member shall be elected by majority vote of the current members present and voting at the annual meeting held in April. Each Board member assumes office upon election. The Board will consist of representatives from all user's groups.
3. Duties of officers:
  - a. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Association or the Board.
  - b. The Vice-President shall assume the office of the President in the President's absence.
  - c. The Secretary shall keep written minutes of all Association or Board meetings, give notice to members of all Association meetings, and keep the official records of the Association.
  - d. The Treasurer shall keep account of all funds of the Association, collect dues and fees, disburse payments for the Association, and prepare an annual budget and periodic statements of account as directed by the Board.
  - e. The Board of Directors shall have duties assigned by the Board, which may include publication of a membership newsletter, coordination of projects, and liaison with external agencies.
4. The Board shall have full discretionary power at any regular or special meeting to fill vacancies on the Board or to remove a member of the Board by majority vote.

#### **ARTICLE V**

##### **INITIAL DIRECTORS/OFFICERS**

1. The corporations shall be governed by a Board of Directors. The number of directors which shall serve as the initial Board of Directors for this Corporation is four (4). The directors shall be selected in the manner provided in the Bylaws.

2. The directors shall be members of the Corporation and the number of directors of the Corporation shall never be fewer than three (3); provided, however, that a greater number may be established by a duly adopted Bylaw. A quorum of the number of Directors shall consist of three directors, unless a duly adopted Bylaw requires a higher number.

3. The names and addresses of the individuals, each of whom is 18 years of age or older, to serve on the initial Board of Directors are as follows:

Jeff Hunter, President  
219 Pine Lane  
Crawfordville, FL 32327

Daniel Kavanaugh, Vice President  
1888 Mills Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Ann Hunter, Secretary/Treasurer  
219 Pine Lane  
Crawfordville, FL 32327

Greg Wilson, Director  
191 Pine Lane  
Crawfordville, FL 32327

4. The named directors shall serve until the first annual election.

#### ARTICLE VI

#### INITIAL PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT OF CORPORATION

Ann Hunter  
St. Marks Trail Association  
219 Pine Lane  
Crawfordville, FL 32327

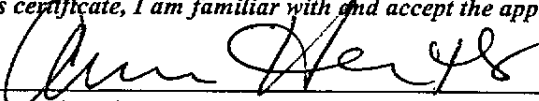
#### ARTICLE VII

#### INCORPORATOR

Jeff Hunter  
219 Pine Lane  
Crawfordville, FL 32327

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*Having been named as registered agent to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I am familiar with and accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity.*

  
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Signature/Registered Agent

11/18/03  
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Date

  
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Signature/Incorporator

11/18/03  
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