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**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**1701 MERIDIAN BUILDING CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.**

The undersigned, by these Articles, hereby form this not-for-profit corporation under the laws of the State of Florida, pursuant to Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, and certify as follows:

**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the corporation is **1701 MERIDIAN BUILDING CONDOMINIUM ASSOCIATION, INC.** For convenience, the Corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as "the Association."

**ARTICLE II - PURPOSES AND POWERS**

The Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit to the members thereof. The specific purposes for which it is formed are to provide for maintenance, preservation and architectural control of the condominium units and common elements within that certain Condominium more particularly described in the Declaration of Condominium for 1701 Meridian Building Condominium (hereafter, "the Declaration of Condominium"), and to promote the health, safety and welfare of the unit owners within the Condominium and any additions. In order to effectuate these purposes, the Association shall have the power to exercise all of the powers and privileges and to perform all of the duties and obligations of the Association as set forth in the Declaration of Condominium, which powers and privileges include but are not limited to the following:

1. To fix, levy, collect and enforce payment by any lawful means all appropriate charges or assessments;
2. To pay all expenses incident to the conduct of the business of the Association, including all licenses, taxes and governmental charges levied or imposed against the Common Elements;
3. To acquire (by gift, purchase or otherwise), own, hold, improve, build upon, operate, maintain, convey, sell, lease, transfer, dedicate for public use or otherwise dispose of the Common Elements on behalf of the membership of the Association;

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4. To borrow money in accordance with the terms of the Declaration of Condominium;

5. To participate in mergers and consolidations with other nonprofit corporations organized for the same purposes; and

6. To have and to exercise any and all powers, rights and privileges which a corporation organized under the Florida Not-for-Profit Corporation Law may now or hereafter have or exercise.

**ARTICLE III - MEMBERSHIP AND VOTING**

A. Membership: Every person or entity who is a record owner of any Unit in the Condominium shall be a member of the Association. The foregoing does not include persons or entities who hold an interest merely as security for the performance of an obligation. Change of membership in the Association shall be established by recording in the Public Records of Miami-Dade County, Florida, a deed or other instrument establishing a record title to any Unit in a transferee and the delivery to the Association of a certified copy of such instrument. Upon such delivery, the transferee designated by such instrument shall become a member of the Association and the membership of the transferor shall be terminated.

B. Appurtenance to Unit: The share of a member in the funds and assets of the Association shall not be assigned, hypothecated or transferred in any manner except as an appurtenance to his Unit.

C. Voting Rights: For each Unit owned each Owner shall be entitled to the proportionate voting interest calculated in accordance with each Unit's fractional or percentage share, as shown in the Declaration of Condominium. When more than one person holds an interest or interests in any Unit, the vote for such Unit shall be limited to one vote as the Owners among themselves determine. The manner of exercising voting rights shall be determined by the By-Laws of the Association.

D. Meetings: The By-Laws shall provide for meetings of the members.

**ARTICLE IV - BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

A. Membership of Board: The affairs of this Association shall be managed by a Board consisting of the number of Directors determined by the By-Laws, but not fewer than three (3) Directors.

B. Election and Removal: Directors shall be elected at the annual meeting of the members in the manner determined by the By-Laws. Directors may be removed and vacancies on the Board shall be filled in the manner provided by the By-Laws.

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C. First Board of Directors: The names and addresses of the persons who shall act in the capacity of Directors until their successors shall be elected and qualified are as follows:

<u>Name</u>	<u>Address</u>
David Dermer	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Jerry Libbin	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Saul Gross	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Richard Steinberg	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Simon Cruz	1700 Convention Center Drive, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Michael Gongora	1700 Convention Center Drive, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Matti Herrera Bower	1700 Convention Center Drive, 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139

The Directors named above shall serve until the first election of Directors, as determined by the By-Laws and any vacancies in their number occurring before the first election of Directors shall be filled by act of the remaining Directors.

**ARTICLE V - OFFICERS**

The affairs of the Association shall be administered by the Officers designated in the By-Laws. After the first election of Directors, the Officers shall be elected by the Board at the first Board meeting following the annual meeting. Directors shall serve at the pleasure of the Board. The names and addresses of the officers who shall serve until their successors are designated by the Board are as follows:

David Dermer President	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Jerry Libbin Vice President	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139
Saul Gross Vice President/Treasurer	1700 Convention Center Drive 4 <sup>th</sup> Floor Miami Beach, Florida 33139

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Richard Steinberg  
Vice President/Secretary

1700 Convention Center Drive 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Simon Cruz  
Vice President

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Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Michael Gongora  
Vice President

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Miami Beach, Florida 33139

Matti Herrera Bower  
Vice President

1700 Convention Center Drive, 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

**ARTICLE VI - INDEMNIFICATION**

Every Director and every Officer of the Association shall be indemnified by the Association against all expenses and liabilities, including counsel fees, reasonably incurred by or imposed upon him in connection with any proceeding or any settlement of any proceeding to which he may be a party or in which he may become involved by reason of his being or having been a Director or Officer of the Association, whether or not he is a Director or Officer of the Association at the time such expenses are incurred, except when the Director or Officer is adjudged guilty of willful misfeasance or malfeasance in the performance of his duties; provided that in the event of a settlement, the indemnification shall apply only when the Board approves such settlement and reimbursement as being in the best interests of the Association. The foregoing right of indemnification shall be in addition to and not exclusive of all other rights to which such Director or Officer may be entitled.

**ARTICLE VII - BY-LAWS**

The first By-Laws of the Association shall be adopted by the Board and may be thereafter be altered, amended or rescinded in the manner provided in such By-Laws.

**ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENTS**

Amendments to the Articles of Incorporation may be considered at any regular or special meeting of the members and may be adopted in the following manner:

1. By notice of the subject matter of a proposed amendment and of the meeting at which a proposed amendment is considered, which notice shall be made as required by the By-Laws.

2. By resolution for the adoption of a proposed amendment which may be proposed either by the Board or by a majority of the voting members. Such amendments must be approved by not less than sixty-seven percent (67%) of the votes of the voting members.

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**ARTICLE IX - TERM**

The term of the Association shall be perpetual.

**ARTICLE X - DISSOLUTION**

The Association may be dissolved, upon termination of the Condominium as provided in the Declaration of Condominium, with the assent given in writing and signed by not less than seventy-five percent (75%) of the votes which members present at a meeting on such topic or represented by proxy are entitled to cast. Upon dissolution of the Association, other than incident to a merger or consolidation, the assets of the Association shall be dedicated to an appropriate public agency of the City of Miami Beach to be used for purposes similar to those for which the Association was created.

**ARTICLE XI - INTENTIONALLY OMITTED**

**ARTICLE XII - RESIDENT AGENT**

The name and street address of the Resident Agent of the Corporation is:

SKRLD, INC.  
201 Alhambra Circle, Suite 1102  
Coral Gables, Florida 33134

**ARTICLE XIII - MISCELLANEOUS**

A. **Developer's Rights.** No amendment of these Articles of Incorporation or the By-Laws shall change Developer's rights and privileges as set forth in the Declaration of Condominium without Developer's prior written approval so long as Developer owns any Unit.

B. **Stock.** The Association shall issue no shares of stock of any kind or nature whatsoever.

C. **Severability.** Invalidation of any one or more of the provisions hereof shall in no way affect any other provisions, which shall remain in full force and effect.

D. **Initial Principal Office.** The street address of the initial principal office and street address of the Corporation is:

c/o CITY ATTORNEY  
1700 Convention Center - 4<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Miami Beach, Florida 33139

E. **Incorporator.** The name and street address of the incorporator of these Articles of Incorporation is:

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Oscar R. Rivera, Esq.  
Siegfried, Rivera, Lerner, De La Torre and Sobel, P.A.  
201 Alhambra Circle, Suite 1102  
Coral Gables, Florida 33134

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed this instrument  
this 16<sup>th</sup> day of APRIL, 2007.

Signed, Sealed and Delivered  
in the presence of:

*Mirta M. Iglesias Thomas*  
Print Name: Mirta M. Iglesias Thomas

*C. Diane Doores*  
Print Name:

C. Diane Doores

*Oscar R. Rivera*  
OSCAR R. RIVERA, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF MIAMI-DADE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 16<sup>th</sup> day of  
APRIL, 2007 by Oscar R. Rivera, Esq. who is personally known to me and  
who did take an oath.

*Mirta M. Iglesias Thomas*

NOTARY PUBLIC  
State of Florida at Large  
My Commission Expires:



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**ACKNOWLEDGMENT:**

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated Association, at the place designated in these Articles, the undersigned hereby accepts its obligation to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Chapter 617, Florida Statutes, relative to keeping open said office.

SKRLD, INC.

By: 

Name: OSCAR R. RIVERA

Title: V. PRESIDENT

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