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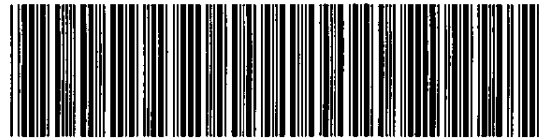
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Department of State  
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**SUBJECT:** Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce  
(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME - MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)

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:** Janice Watson  
Name (Printed or typed)

20816 Central Avenue East  
Address

Blountstown, FL 32424  
City, State & Zip

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



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January 8, 2008

JANICE WATSON  
20816 CENTRAL AVENUE EAST  
BLOUNTSTOWN, FL 32424

SUBJECT: CALHOUN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
Ref. Number: W08000001103

We have received your document for CALHOUN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of the corporation must contain a corporate suffix. This suffix may be: CORPORATION, CORP., INCORPORATED, or INC. Sections 617.0401(1)(a) and 617.1506(1), Florida Statutes, prohibits the use of the word COMPANY or CO. in the name of a non-profit corporation.

Please return the corrected original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

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**Additionally:**

Use of the words "**chamber of commerce**" in a business entity name is restricted by Chapter 501, Florida Statutes. It is your responsibility to verify that use of these words in your business entity name meets the requirements of this Chapter.

**CALHOUN COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

**The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Not for Profit Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:**

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**ARTICLE I - NAME**

The name of the corporation shall be Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

**ARTICLE II - PLACE**

The place in the State of Florida where the principal office of the Corporation is to be located is in the City of Blountstown, Calhoun County. The mailing address shall be 20816 Central Avenue East, Suite 2, Blountstown, Florida 32424.

**ARTICLE III - PURPOSE**

Said corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and scientific purposes, including, for such purposes, the making of distributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code. The primary objective of the corporation is to encourage, foster, and stimulate commerce, trade, business, finance, and professional interests; to eliminate and reform abuses in such areas; to obtain and distribute reliable information as to the reputation and standing of business matters and merchants; to stimulate, encourage, and promote cooperation and friendly exchange with and between businesses; to adjust and settle business disputes between business members and others; to promote, advance, and stimulate civic, business, commercial, industrial, and agricultural interests and general welfare in the territory where the corporation's operations are principally located; to acquaint and inform the public as to its objectives and to stimulate public opinion and reaction to these ends by providing information and other civic, educational, commercial, industrial, social, and public features as will foster, encourage, and stimulate these purposes.

**ARTICLE IV - TERM OF EXISTENCE**

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

## **ARTICLE V – NAMES OF SUBSCRIBERS**

The names and addresses of the Incorporators subscribing to these Articles of Incorporation are as follows:

Vicki Montford  
President  
Post Office Box 700  
Bristol, FL 32321

Raymond Russell  
Vice-President  
17577 Main Street North  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Janice Watson  
Secretary / Treasurer  
3403 Solomon Dairy Road  
Quincy, FL 32352

## **ARTICLE VI - DIRECTORS**

1. The business affairs of this corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors (subject to and in accordance with the by-laws of the corporation) of not less than five (5) members.
2. Directors shall be elected from and by the membership of said corporation.
3. Members of the Board shall be elected to the Board of Directors by mail-out ballot. Such balloting shall take place annually and shall be conducted and completed between the first and last day of January.
4. The said Board of Directors shall, at their February meeting each year, elect from its own membership a President, a Vice-President, a Secretary, and a Treasurer.
5. The President, the Vice-President, the Secretary, and the Treasurer are designated as officers who, in their official capacity, shall jointly sign and execute all legal documents for and on behalf of the corporation as its chief executive officers.
6. The regular meeting of the Board of Directors shall be held at 12:00 pm on the second Tuesday of each month.
7. The present Board of Directors of Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce, Inc. and whose names are set forth herein, shall constitute the Board of Directors and shall hold office until their successors are elected, and in accordance with their present terms, to-wit:

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Blountstown, FL 32424

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Quincy, FL 32352

Tim Adams  
Director  
Post Office Box 336  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Kenny Griffin  
Director  
4636 Hwy 90 East  
Marianna, FL 32446

Angie Hill  
Director  
20452 Central Avenue West  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Mary McKenzie  
Director  
15168 NW Oglesby  
Altha, FL 32421

Dan Yoder  
Director  
19359 SR 71 North  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Kelli Peacock  
Director  
Post Office Box 366  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Marilyn Russell  
Director  
16859 NE Cayson Street  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Danny Ryals  
Director  
Post Office Box 100  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Martha Settlemyre  
Director  
Post Office Box 100  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Elam Stolzhus  
Director  
25362 NE Charles Phippen Rd  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Tony Shoemaker  
Director  
16423 SW Mimosa Street  
Blountstown, FL 32424

Jim Waldorff  
Director  
Post Office Box 38  
Altha, FL 32421

## **ARTICLE VII – QUALIFICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP**

Every person eighteen (18) years of age or older who believes in the purposes of this corporation as set out in these Articles of Incorporation is qualified and eligible for membership in this corporation.

## **ARTICLE VIII – MEMBERSHIP**

1. The members of this corporation shall be composed of four categories: Individual membership, Business membership, Bank/Utility Company/Hospital Membership, and Non-Profit Corporations Membership.
2. The Board of Directors shall have the duty, by majority vote of those present and voting, of determining membership in this corporation.
3. Except as otherwise provided: the annual dues for Individual Membership shall be Seventy Five and no/100 (\$75.00) Dollars per annum; the annual dues for Business Membership shall be One Hundred Fifty and no/100 (\$150.00) Dollars per annum; the annual dues for Bank/Utility Company/Hospital Membership shall be Four Hundred and no/100 (\$400.00) Dollars per annum; and the annual dues for Non-Profit Corporations Membership shall be Seventy Five and no/100 (\$75.00) Dollars per annum.
4. The annual dues of members are due and payable on the first day of October, which is the first of the month of the said corporation's fiscal year.
5. Members who fail to pay their dues, subscriptions or assessments within thirty (30) days from the time they become due shall be notified by the Secretary/Treasurer, and, if payment is not made within the next succeeding thirty (30) days, shall be reported to the Board of Directors as an arrears, and if so ordered by the Board shall be dropped from the roles and thereupon forfeit all rights and privileges of membership.

## **ARTICLE IX – BY-LAWS**

The By-Laws of the corporation are to be made by the membership and may be altered, amended or rescinded by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the said membership present and voting at any meeting.

## **ARTICLE X – AMENDMENTS**

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended when such amendment has been approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the membership, and approved by a two-thirds (2/3) vote of the membership entitled to vote thereon at the annual meeting and approved by the Secretary of State of the State of Florida.

## **ARTICLE XI – EARNINGS DISTRIBUTION**

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 here of. 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. Notwithstanding any other provision of these articles, the corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on 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.

## **ARTICLE XII – DISSOLUTION**

Upon the dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of Competent Jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

## **ARTICLE XIII – REGISTERED AGENT**

The name and Florida street address of the initial registered agent is:

Janice Watson  
20816 Central Avenue East  
Blountstown, FL 32424

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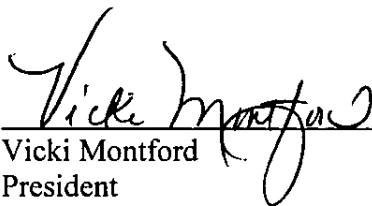
Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

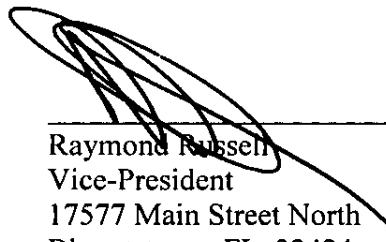
Janice Watson  
Signature / Registered Agent

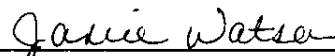
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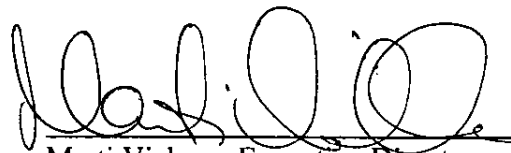
In Witness Whereof, we, the undersigned, have hereunto set our hands and seals, this 11<sup>th</sup> day of September, 2007, for the purpose of forming this not-for-profit corporation to do business in the State of Florida, and in pursuance of the corporation laws of the State of Florida, do make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of the State of Florida these Articles of Incorporation, and certify that the facts herein stated are true.

  
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ATTEST:

  
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Marti Vickery, Executive Director  
Calhoun County Chamber of Commerce