

108000003672

(Requestor's Name)

(Address)

(Address)

(City/State/Zip/Phone #)

☐ PICK-UP

☐ WAIT

☐ MAIL

(Business Entity Name)

(Document Number)

Certified Copies \_\_\_\_\_ Certificates of Status \_\_\_\_\_

Special Instructions to Filing Officer:

Office Use Only



800123487048

04/15/08--01008--015 \*\*87.50

FILED  
2008 APR 15 A 11:18  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Division of Corporations

March 20, 2008

CLARK E. RIDDLE  
4956 LAUDERDALE LANE  
BASCOM, FL 32423

SUBJECT: JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENTS, INC.  
Ref. Number: W08000014765

We have received your document for JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF  
VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENTS, INC., however, upon receipt of your  
document no check was enclosed. Please send a check or money order payable  
to the Department of State.

The fees for profit and nonprofit, domestic or foreign are as follows:

Filings Fees:	\$35.00
Registered Agent Designation	\$35.00
Certified Copy	\$8.75
Certificate of Status	\$8.75

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.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call  
(850) 245-6995.

Wanda Cunningham  
Regulatory Specialist II  
New Filing Section

Letter Number: 208A00016900

## COVER LETTER

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P. O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

**SUBJECT: Jackson County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments, inc.**  
**(PROPOSED CORPORATE NAME – MUST INCLUDE SUFFIX)**

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

☐ \$70.00  
Filing Fee

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee &  
Certificate of  
Status

☐ \$78.75  
Filing Fee  
& Certified Copy

☒ \$87.50  
Filing Fee,  
Certified Copy  
& Certificate

**ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED**

**FROM: Clark E. Riddle, Pres.**

Name (Printed or typed)

4956 Lauderdale Lane

Address

Bascom, FL 32423

City, State & Zip

850-569-2589

Daytime Telephone number

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

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENTS INC.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation under Florida Statutes Chapter 617, do hereby make and adopt the following articles of incorporation:

**ARTICLE 1  
NAME**

The name of the Corporation is "Jackson County Association of Volunteer Fire Departments, Inc.

**ARTICLE 2  
PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS  
&  
MAILING ADDRESS**

The place of business is: 4956 Lauderdale Lane, Bascom, FL 23423  
ATTN: Clark E. Riddle, Pres

The mailing address is: Rolf Myrhammer Sec/Tres.  
7380 NW Porter Grade Road  
Altha, FL 32421

**FILED**  
2008 APR 15 A 11:18  
SECRETARY OF STATE  
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

**ARTICLE 3  
PURPOSES**

The Corporation is organized, and shall be operated exclusively, for the following purposes:

A. To exercise all rights and powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon not for profit corporations, including without limiting the generality of the foregoing, to acquire by bequest, devise, gift, purchase, lease or otherwise any property of any sort or nature without limitation as to its amount or value, and to hold, invest, reinvest, manage, use, apply, employ, sell, expend, disburse, lease, mortgage, convey, option, donate or otherwise dispose of such property and the income, principal and proceeds of such property, for any of the purposes set forth herein.

B. To do such other things as are incidental to the purposes of the Corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them,

C. Specifically (but without limitation of the foregoing or of any other powers or purposes under applicable Florida law), to provide for volunteer fire fighting services in the unincorporated and incorporated areas of Jackson County, Florida.

D. To provide (as may be deemed necessary by the Corporation Officers and Board of directors) for the health and welfare of member departments volunteers when certain situations arise. The procedure for this provision will be addressed in the Corporation By-Laws.

#### **ARTICLE 4**

#### **ELECTION OF DIRECTORS**

The management of the Corporation shall vest in a Board of Directors. The numbers of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is seven (7). The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the Bylaws, but shall never be less than three and shall always be an odd number. The Voting Members shall elect the Directors annually. The Bylaws may provide for ex officio and honorary Directors, and their rights and privileges. The method of election of the Directors will be stated in the bylaws.

#### **ARTICLE 5**

#### **INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS**

The name and address of each initial Officer and Director of the Corporation is as follows: ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT A

#### **ARTICLE 6**

#### **REGISTERED AGENT**

The street address of the initial Registered Office of the Corporation is 4956 Lauderdale Lane, Bascom, FL 23423, and the name and address of its initial Registered Agent is Clark E. Riddle, 4956 Lauderdale Lane, Bascom, FL 32423.

The initial mailing address of the Corporation is:

7380 NW Porter Grade Road, Altha, FL 32421 ATTN: Rolf Myrhammer

By his signature to these Articles, the said agent consents to the appointment as such, and by his signature hereto acknowledges that he is familiar with and accepts the obligations of that position. The Board of Directors may move the registered office or appoint a successor resident agent for the Corporation as it deems fit, from time to time.

## **ARTICLE 7 INCORPORATORS**

The name and address of each Incorporator is as follows: Clark E. Riddle, 4956 Lauderdale Lane, Bascom, FL 32423.

## **ARTICLE 8 DURATION**

The duration (term) of the Corporation is perpetual.

## **ARTICLE 9 MEMBERS**

The Corporation shall have Voting members who shall be elected (and may be removed) by the initial Voting Members and shall have all the rights and privileges of members of the Corporation. Each member Department shall have one vote. Each member Department should try to have a representative at each and every meeting to cast this vote. The Bylaws may provide for Nonvoting Members of one or more classes, who shall be admitted in such manner and who shall have such rights and privileges as are set forth in the Bylaws, but who shall not have the right to vote. The name and address of each initial Voting Member Department is as follows: ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "B".

## **ARTICLE 10 OFFICERS**

The Officers of the Corporation shall consist of a President, Vice-President, and Secretary-Treasurer, and such other Officers and Assistant Officers as may be provided in the Bylaws. Each officer shall be elected by the member Departments (and may be removed by the member Departments ) at such time and in such manner as may be prescribed by the Bylaws. The name and address of each initial Officer of the Corporation is as follows: ON THE ATTACHED EXHIBIT "C".

## **ARTICLE 11 AMENDMENT**

The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and all rights and privileges conferred upon the members, Directors and Officers are subject to this reservation. The Articles of Incorporation may be amended in accordance with the provisions of the laws of the State of Florida, as amended from time to time, unless more specific provisions for amendments are adopted by the Corporation pursuant to law.

**ARTICLE 12**  
**TURNOVER OF ASSETS UPON DISSOLUTION**

In the event of dissolution, the residual assets of the Corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which are themselves exempt under Section 501(c) (3) and/or Section 170 (c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code (or corresponding sections of past or future law) or to the federal, state or local government of exclusively public purposes.

**ARTICLE 13**  
**INDEMNIFICATION**

The Corporation shall indemnify each Officer and Director, including former Officers and Directors, to the full extent permitted by the laws of the State of Florida.

**ARTICLE 14**  
**BYLAWS**

The power to adopt, alter, amend and repeal the Bylaws shall be vested in the Board of Directors, but all alteration, amendments and repeals of the Bylaws must be approved by a Majority of the Voting Member Departments.

**ARTICLE 15**  
**EFFECTIVE DATE**

In Accordance with the laws of the State of Florida, the date when corporate existence shall commence is the date of receipt at the Department of State, Division of Corporations Office.

**ARTICLE 16**  
**NON-STOCK BASIS**

This Corporation is organized on a non-stock basis. This Corporation shall not issue shares of stock.

*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.*

Clark E. Riddle  
Signature/Registered Agent

Clark E. Riddle  
Signature/Incorporator

March 13, 2008  
Date

March 13, 2008  
Date

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENTS, INC**

**EXHIBIT "A"  
INITIAL DIRECTORS AND OFFICERS  
As of March 13, 2008**

**PRESIDENT:**       Clark E. Riddle  
                      4956 Lauderdale Ln.  
                      Bascom, FL, 32423

**VICE PRESIDENT** Stan Singer  
                      2131 Shadow bay Dr.  
                      Grand Ridge, FL 32442

**SECRETARY/  
TREASURE**       Rolf Myrhammar  
                      7380 NW Porter Grade Rd.  
                      Altha, FL 32421

**INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS**

- (1)   Richard Dominguez  
      2588 Front St.  
      Cottondale, FL 32431**
  
- (2)   Chris Mercer  
      5881 Blue Springs Rd.  
      Greenwood, FL 32443**
  
- (3)   Don Mac Laren  
      1310 Rescue Drive  
      Alford, FL 32420**
  
- (4)   Bryan Yongue  
      214 Alford Rd.  
      Cottondale, FL 32431**



**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENTS, INC**

**EXHIBIT "B"  
INITIAL VOTING MEMBERS  
AS OF FEBRUARY 12, 2008**

**ALFORD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
178 Georgia Street  
Alford, FL 32420**

**ALTHA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
15713 NW Broad Street  
Altha, FL 32421**

**BASCOM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT, Inc.  
4969 Basswood Road  
Bascom, FL 32423**

**CAMPBELLTON VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
2336 State Road 2  
Campbellton, FL 32426**

**COMPASS LAKE IN THE HILLS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
3085 Nortek Blvd.  
Alford, FL 32420**

**COTTONDALE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
2669 Front Street  
Cottondale, FL 32420**

**DELLWOOD VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
6404 Blue Springs Road  
Dellwood, FL 32442**

**GRACEVILLE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
986 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Graceville, FL 32440**

**GRAND RIDGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
2086 Porter Avenue  
Grand Ridge, FL 32442**

**Page two  
Exhibit B  
Initial Voting members**

**JACKSON COUNTY FIRE AND RESCUE  
4487 Lafayette Street  
Marianna, FL 32446**

**MALONE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
5287 9<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Malone, FL 32445**

**MOSSY POND VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
7128 NW Porter Grade  
Altha, FL 32421**

**SNEADS VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT  
2033 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue  
Sneads, FL 32460**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
JACKSON COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF VOLUNTEER FIRE  
DEPARTMENTS, INC**

**EXHIBIT "C"  
INITIAL CORP. OFFICERS  
AS OF March 13, 2008**

**PRESIDENT:** Clark E. Riddle  
4956 Lauderdale Ln.  
Bascom, FL, 32423

**VICE PRESIDENT** Stan Singer  
2131 Shadow Bay Dr.  
Grand Ridge, FL 32442

**SECRETARY/  
TREASURE** Rolf Myrhammar  
7380 NW Porter Grade Rd.  
Altha, FL 32421