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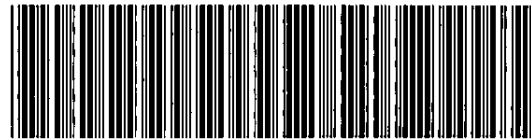
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November 25, 2010

**VIA FIRST CLASS MAIL**

Becky McKnight  
Division of Corporations  
PO Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: Formation of the Desoto County Sheriff's Posse.

Dear Ms. McKnight,

I am in receipt of your November 10, 2010 correspondence rejecting the above-referenced filing for the following reasons:

1. The correspondence suggests that the filing is insufficient as it fails to state the manner in which directors are elected.
  - a. Although Article V already states that directors are elected in accordance with the By-laws, I have added language confirming that they are elected annually in accordance with the By-laws.
2. The filing failed to provide a separate article stating the effective date. This article has been added as Article VII

Should you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me.

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*V. L. Light*

VIRGIL L. LIGHT,  
FOR THE FIRM

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November 10, 2010

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1990 MAIN STREET STE 750  
SARASOTA, FL 34236

SUBJECT: DESOTO COUNTY SHERRIF'S POSSE, INC.  
Ref. Number: W10000052666

We have received your document for DESOTO COUNTY SHERRIF'S POSSE, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Section 617.0202(d), Florida Statutes, requires the manner in which directors are elected or appointed be contained in the articles of incorporation or a statement that the method of election of directors is as stated in the bylaws.

An effective date **may** be added to the Articles of Incorporation **if a 2011 date is needed**, otherwise the date of receipt will be the file date. **A separate article must be added to the Articles of Incorporation for the effective date.**

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) 245-6931.

Becky McKnight  
Regulatory Specialist II Supervisor  
New Filing Section

Letter Number: 010A00026456

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF  
DeSOTO COUNTY SHERIFF'S POSSE, INC.**

The undersigned Incorporator, by these Articles, does so for the purpose of forming a not-for-profit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida (Chapter 617, Florida Statutes), and hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

Effective Date

11-1-10

**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the Corporation shall be DeSoto County Sheriff's Posse, Inc. For convenience, the Corporation shall be referred to in this instrument as the "Posse", these Articles of Incorporation as the "Articles," and the By-Laws of the Corporation as the "By-Laws."

**ARTICLE II  
PRINCIPAL OFFICE**

The principal street address of the Posse is located in DeSoto County, Florida at:

208 E Cypress Street  
Arcadia, FL 34266

**ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE**

The Posse shall exist exclusively for charitable purposes, 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.

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 these Articles. 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 carved on (a) 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 (b) 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.

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**ARTICLE IV**  
**TERM OF EXISTENCE**

The Posse shall have a perpetual existence.

In the event of the dissolution of the Posse assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) 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 V**  
**INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The affairs of the Posse shall be administered by the officers designated in the By-laws. The directors shall be elected annually and/or appointed in accordance with the By-Laws. The names and addresses of the initial directors are as follows:

President:	Timothy D. Backer 10 S. DeSoto Ave., Ste. 201 Arcadia, FL 34266
Vice President:	Timothy Kratzer 10 S. DeSoto Ave., Ste. 201 Arcadia, FL 34266
Secretary/Treasurer:	Nancy Hale 10 S. DeSoto Ave., Ste. 201 Arcadia, FL 34266

**ARTICLE VI**  
**REGISTER AGENT**

The registered agent of the Posse is:

Light & Associates, LLLP  
1990 Main Street, Suite 750  
Sarasota, FL 34236

**ARTICLE VII**  
**EFFECTIVE DATE**

The Effective Date of the corporation is November 1, 2010.


**ARTICLE VII**  
**INCORPORATOR**

The incorporator of the Posse is:

Light & Associates, LLLP  
1990 Main Street, Suite 750  
Sarasota, FL 34236

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, I the Incorporator of the DeSoto County Sheriff's Posse, Inc., affix my signature this 1st day of November, 2010. I affirm that the facts stated herein are true and correct and I am aware that any false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in F.S. 817.155.


Light & Associates, LLLP

By:   
Virgil L. Light  
Managing Director

**ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT**

HAVING BEEN NAMED TO ACCEPT SERVICE OF PROCESS FOR THE ABOVE STATED NON-PROFIT CORPORATION, AT THE PLACE DESIGNATED IN ARTICLE VI OF THESE ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION, THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREES TO ACT IN THIS CAPACITY, AND FURTHER AGREES TO COMPLY WITH THE PROVISIONS OF ALL STATUTES RELATIVE TO THE PROPER AND COMPLETE DISCHARGE OF HIS DUTIES.

Light & Associates, LLLP

By:   
Virgil L. Light  
Managing Director

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