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James Stafford

Requestor's Name

50 East 2nd Street

Address

Jax, Fla 32206-353-9332

City/State/Zip

Phone #

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CORPORATION NAME(S) & DOCUMENT NUMBER(S), (If known):

1. African American Chamber of Commerce  
(Corporation Name) (Document #)

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(Corporation Name) (Document #)

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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
OF

A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION

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ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this Corporation is African American Chamber of Commerce, Inc.

ARTICLE II. Principal Office and Address

The address of the principal office of the corporation is 1817-A North Myrtle Ave, and the mailing address of the corporation is 1817-A North Myrtle Ave, Jacksonville, FL 32209.

ARTICLE III. Duration

The term of existence of the Corporation is 5 yrs, and the corporate existence will commence on 10/15/96.

ARTICLE IV. Purpose

The purpose for which the Corporation is organized is:

The organization is a corporation organized as a not - for - profit organization to provide community leadership to achieve economic growth in business and industry in the geographical area of the Northwest area of Jacksonville.

ARTICLE V. Directors

The directors of the corporation shall be elected in the following manner:

The Director shall be elected by the general membership at annual meeting. A majority vote shall decide all votes.

## ARTICLE VI. Registered Office and Agent

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be located at 50 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
Jacksonville, FL 32206.

## ARTICLE VII. Incorporators

The names and resident addresses of the Incorporators are:

Name

Address

Lewis Siplin 1485 Harrington, Jacksonville, FL, or

Joseph Carswell 727 North McDuff Ave. Jacksonville, FL 32254

James Stafford 1424 W. 13<sup>th</sup> Street, Jacksonville, FL 32209

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have subscribed our names this 2 day of Oct,  
1996.

*[Signature]*  
Incorporator

*Joseph Carswell*  
Incorporator

*[Signature]*  
Incorporator

Subscribed and Sworn to Before Me at 50 E 2nd ST in the State of Florida  
This 2nd day of Oct., 1996 Signature *[Signature]* Date Commission Expires



JESSIE L. SIPLIN  
COMMISSION # CC 427214  
EXPIRES DEC 19, 1998  
BONDED THRU  
ATLANTIC BONDING CO., INC.

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF  
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 607.0501, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED CORPORATION, ORGANIZED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA, SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT IN DESIGNATING THE REGISTERED OFFICE/REGISTERED AGENT, IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the corporation is:

African American Chamber of Commerce,  
1817-A North Myrtle Ave, Jax, Fla 32209

2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

James Stafford,  
(NAME)  
50 East 2<sup>nd</sup> Street  
(P.O. Box or Mail Drop Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)  
Jax, Florida 32206  
(CITY/STATE/ZIP)

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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 I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.*

James Stafford  
(SIGNATURE)

10-03-1996  
(DATE)

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AFRICAN AMERICAN  
CHAMBER OF COMMERCE  
OF NORTH FLORIDA  
1817-A NORTH MYRTLE AVE  
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32209  
(904)358-9090

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RE:ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT

PLEASE SEND ALL CORRESPONDENCE TO:

A.A.C.C. OF NORTH FLA  
C/O LEWIS SIPLIN  
50 EAST 2<sup>ND</sup> STREET  
JACKSONVILLE, FL 32206  
(904) 353-9332

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**ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT**  
**to**  
**AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE, INC.**

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**A FLORIDA NONPROFIT CORPORATION**

**ARTICLE ONE**

**Name**

The name of the Corporation is AFRICAN AMERICAN CHAMBER OF COMMERCE OF NORTH FLORIDA, INC.

**ARTICLE TWO**

**Principal Office and Address**

The address of the principal office of the corporation is 1817-A North Myrtle Ave, Jacksonville, Florida, 32209 and the mailing address of the corporation is the same.

**ARTICLE THREE**

**Duration**

The term of existence of the Corporation is perpetual; and the corporate existence will commence on the filing of these articles by the Department of State Florida.

**ARTICLE FOUR**

**Purpose**

The Corporation is organized to advance the general welfare and prosperity of African American businesses in Duval county so that all citizens in this community shall prosper. All necessary means of promotion shall be provided and particular attention and emphasis shall be given to the economic, civil, commercial, industrial and educational interests of African American businesses in this areas.

**ARTICLE FIVE**

**Directors**

The affairs of this corporation shall be conducted by a board of not less than three (3) not more than twenty-one (21) directors. The method of election of the directors of the Corporation is set forth in the bylaws.

The names and street address of the initial directors are as follow:

Name	Address
Lewis Siplin Chairman of the Board	1817-A North Myrtle Avenue Jacksonville, Fl 32209
Joseph Carswell President	1817-A North Myrtle Avenue Jacksonville, Fl 32209
Teresa W. Elam Treasurer	1817-A North Myrtle Avenue Jacksonville, Fl 32209

#### **ARTICLE SIX**

##### **Registered Office and Agent**

The initial registered office of the Corporation shall be 1817-A N Myrtle Avenue Jacksonville, Fl 32209. The initial registered agent of the Corporation at that address shall be Lewis Siplin.

#### **ARTICLE SEVEN**

##### **Earnings and Activities of the Corporation**

No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefits of, or be distributable to its members, 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.

Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, this Corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of this Corporation.

**ARTICLE EIGHT**  
**Distribution of Assets**

Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or a corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the Federal, state or local government for public purpose. Any such assets not disposed of by a Court of competent jurisdiction in the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organizations as such Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

These Amendments have been adopted by the Directors on this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of December, 1996, there are no members entitled to vote.

  
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TERESA W. ELAM, TREASURER



**CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACES OF BUSINESS  
OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICES OF PROCESS  
WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT UPON  
WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED**

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In pursuance of Chapter 48.091 (1991), Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

That African American Chamber of Commerce of North Florida, Inc., A Florida Nonprofit Corporation, has named Lewis Siplin, at <sup>1817-A N. Myrtle Avenue</sup>~~50 East 2nd Street,~~  
<sup>32209</sup>~~32206~~ Jacksonville, Florida as its ~~initial~~ registered agent. Having been named to accept service of process for the above Corporation, at the place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said act relative to keeping open said office.

  
LEWIS SIPLIN