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RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CITIZENS FOR AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY, INC.

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The Board of Directors of the above-named corporation, pursuant to Section 617.1007(3)(a), Florida Statutes, hereby amends and restates the articles of incorporation of the corporation. Such restatement does not contain any amendment requiring member approval.

The Articles of Incorporation are amended and restated, as follows:

ARTICLE I
Name and Principal Place of Business

The name of the corporation is Citizens for an Independent Judiciary, Inc. The initial principal place of business is: 2544 Blirstone Pines Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

ARTICLE II
Duration

The period of the duration of this corporation shall be perpetual unless dissolved in accordance with Florida law. Corporate existence shall commence upon filing with the Secretary of State.

ARTICLE III
Purposes

The purposes for which this corporation is created and maintained shall be exclusively for the promotion of social welfare and no activities which are not permitted by an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended, shall be permitted.

The corporation shall have the following powers:

- (1) To gather, analyze and disseminate data and information relating to the importance of maintaining an independent judicial branch of government free from political and other interference;

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- (2) To serve as a core organization to bring together citizens and representatives of various organizations which have the common goal of maintaining an independent judiciary within the State of Florida;
 - (3) To conduct fundraising activities for the production of revenues adequate to carry out the purposes of the corporation;
 - (4) To employ staff, consultants, attorneys and accountants to ensure that all regulatory provisions are abided;
 - (5) To disseminate to the public, civic organizations and other non-profit and business entities information relating to the issue of an independent judiciary and such other subjects as may relate thereto;
 - (6) To conduct such other related activities permitted to be conducted by an organization exempt from taxation pursuant to Section 501(c)(4) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended.

ARTICLE IV **Restrictions**

No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, directors, officers, or other private persons; provided, however, 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, hereof and to pay or reimburse the reasonable expenses of fundraising and carrying out the objectives of the corporation.

ARTICLE V **Members**

The initial members of the corporation shall be the Officers and Board of Directors of the corporation.

Other classifications of membership may be as established by the Board of Directors as provided in the by-laws of the corporation and may consist of separate categories of membership, each with different rights and responsibilities.

ARTICLE VI

The street address and city of the registered office of the corporation is:

%Meyer and Brooks, P.A.
2544 Blairstone Pines Drive
Tallahassee, Florida 32301

The name of the initial registered agent at such address is Ronald G. Meyer, Esquire.

ARTICLE VII Board of Directors

The number of persons constituting the Board of Directors of the corporation shall not be less than three (3) nor more than twenty (20) members as determined in the by-laws. The by-laws shall provide the process for the selection of Directors. There shall be no limit on the number of terms a Board member may serve. Board members shall serve with no compensation; provided, however, the Board may authorize reimbursement of expenses incurred by Board members in conjunction with the corporation's business or other approved activities directly related to the corporation's purposes.

The Officers of the corporation shall serve as *ex officio* Directors. Only the *ex officio* Directors shall have voting rights. The other members of the Board of Directors shall serve in an advisory capacity to the *ex officio* Directors.

Nothing herein shall be construed to preclude any Director from receiving compensation for serving the corporation in any other capacity and receiving compensation therefore.

ARTICLE VIII

Officers

The corporation shall have such Officers as may be provided for in the by-laws. The manner of selection of Officers shall also be provided for in the by-laws. The corporation shall have at least the following Officers:

1. Chairperson
2. President
3. Secretary
4. Treasurer

An individual may hold more than one office in the corporation. Duties of Officers shall be described in the by-laws.

ARTICLE IX

Indemnification of Officers and Directors

Officers and Directors shall be indemnified by the corporation against all expenses and liabilities, including attorney's fees, (including any incurred in appellate proceedings), reasonably incurred in connection with any proceeding or settlement thereof in which they may become involved by reason of holding such office. The corporation may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of all Officers and Directors against any such liability asserted against them or incurred by them in their capacity as Officers and Directors or arising out of their status as such.

ARTICLE X

Non-Stock Basis

This corporation is organized on a non-stock basis.


ARTICLE XI

Dissolution

In the event of dissolution of this corporation, the residual assets of the corporation will be turned over to one or more organizations which themselves are exempt as organizations described in

Section 501(c) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1954, as amended, or corresponding sections of any prior or future United States Internal Revenue law or to the federal, state or local government to be used for exclusively public purposes.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned pursuant to the laws of the State of Florida does hereby make and file in the office of the Secretary of State of Florida these Restated Articles of Incorporation and further certifies that the facts stated herein are true and correct.




Ronald G. Meyer

VERIFICATION

STATE OF FLORIDA)
COUNTY OF LEON)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13th day of January, 2006, by Ronald G. Meyer, who is personally known to me.

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State named above on this 13th day of January, 2006.



NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:



Notary Public: _____
Printed Name

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Ronald G. Meyer, Esquire, the Registered Agent named in the foregoing Restated Articles of Incorporation, by the execution of this acceptance, does hereby agree to abide by the provisions of Section 607.0501, Florida Statutes, with respect to the duties of such registered agent and agrees to maintain normal business hours at the following address: 2544 Blairstone Pines Drive, Tallahassee, Florida 32301.

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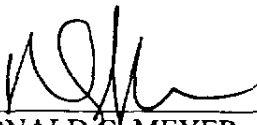
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AMENDMENT AND RESTATEMENT OF ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
CITIZENS FOR AN INDEPENDENT JUDICIARY, INC.

The Board of Directors of the corporation, Citizens for an Independent Judiciary, Inc. (Charter Number N97000000855), in accordance with the provisions of Sections 617.1006 and 617.1007, Florida Statutes, hereby amends and restates the articles of incorporation in the manner prescribed by the attached Restated Articles.

The Board of Directors of the corporation, at a meeting held on January 10, 2006, approved and adopted the Restated Articles of Incorporation. There are no members entitled to vote on the Amendment and Restatement.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has hereunto set his hand and seal this 13th day of January, 2006.



RONALD G. MEYER
Director

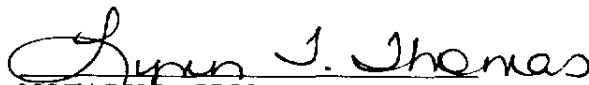
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The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 13th day of January, 2006, by Ronald G. Meyer, who is personally known to me.

WITNESS my hand and seal in the County and State named above on this 13th day of January, 2006.

My Commission Expires:





NOTARY PUBLIC

Notary Public: _____
Printed Name