103 N. MERIDIAN STREET, LOWER LEVEL TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301 222-1173 ACCT. #FCA-14 **CONTACT:** CINDY HICKS DATE: *****70.00 *****70.00 **REF. #: CORP. NAME:** () ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT ANNUAL REPORT () TRADEMARK/SERVICE MARK) FOREIGN QUALIFICATION () LIMITED PARTNERSHIP () WITHDRAWAL () REINSTATEMENT () MERGER () CERTIFICATE OF CANCELLATION () UCC-1 () UCC-3 () OTHER: STATE FEES PREPAID WITH CHECK# <u>8687</u> AUTHORIZATION FOR ACCOUNT IF TO BE DEBITED: **COST LIMIT: \$** PLEASE RETURN: () CERTIFIED COPY () CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING () CERTIFICATE OF STATUS Examiner's Initials

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF

CROSS COUNTRY CLEARING, INC.

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SECRETARY OF STATE
AND ANASSEE, FLORIDA

The undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a Corporation for profit under the Florida Business Corporation Act, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation is: CROSS COUNTRY CLEARING, INC.

<u> ARTICLE II - TERM OF EXISTENCE</u>

The date and time when corporate existence shall commence upon filing, and the Corporation shall have perpetual existence thereafter.

ARTICLE III - PURPOSES

The purposes of the Corporation are to engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and the State of Florida.

ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK

The shares of stock of this Corporation shall consist of only one class. The number of shares of stock that this Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 1,000 Shares of Common Stock having a par value of \$1.00 per share.

ARTICLE V - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal place of business and mailing address of this Corporation shall be 480 Ridgecrest Drive, Punta Gorda, FL 33982.

ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT AND ADDRESS

The street address of the registered office of this Corporation is 480 Ridgecrest Drive, Punta Gorda, FL 33982, and the Registered Agent at such office is John S. Sherman.

ARTICLE VII - DIRECTORS

This Corporation shall have one (1) Director initially. The number of Directors may be changed from time to time by Bylaws adopted by the Shareholders. The name and address of each member of the first Board of Directors is:

<u>Name</u>

Address

Leslia A. Sherman

480 Ridgecrest Drive Punta Gorda, FL 33982

ARTICLE VIII - AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in certain instances by the Board of Directors as provided by statute and in certain instances by resolutions adopted by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the Shareholders and approved at a Shareholders Meeting by a majority of the stock entitled to vote thereon.

ARTICLE IX - INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of each incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is:

Name

Address

Leslia A. Sherman

480 Ridgecrest Drive Punta Gorda, FL 33982

The undersigned has executed these Articles this $/4^{1/4}$ day of $\sqrt{3000}$, 2000.

Leslia A. Sherman Incorporator

Having been named as Registered Agent and to accept service of process for CROSS COUNTRY CLEARING, INC., at the place designated in the Articles, 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.

JUNE 14, 2000

Leslia A. Sherman Registered Agent SSEE, FLORIDA

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