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August 14, 2000

Secretary of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: SMOOTH OPERATORS, INC.

Daniel J. Brams James H. Hicks\* Michael A. Motto

William H. Pincus

Brian T. Scher

\*BOARD CERTIFIED CIVIL TRIAL LAWYER Dear Sir:

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Enclosed please find a check in the amount of \$78.75 which represents your fee for the filing of the enclosed original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation regarding the above-referenced matter.

I am enclosing a return Federal Express envelope to help expedite your return of the certified copy of the Articles of Incorporation.

Should you have any questions or comments regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Very truly yours,

JHH/rr

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#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

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#### SMOOTH OPERATORS, INC.

# ARTICLE I CORPORATE NAME

The name of this corporation is Smooth Operators, Inc.

# ARTICLE II INITIAL PRINCIPAL PLACE OF BUSINESS

The corporation's initial principal place of business shall be 4366 Okeechobee Boulevard, Cross County Plaza, West Palm Beach, Florida 33409.

# ARTICLE III NATURE OF BUSINESS AND POWERS

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this Corporation is to engage in any and all business permitted under the laws of the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE IV CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this Corporation is authorized to issue and have outstanding at any one time is 200 shares of common stock having par value of \$1.00.

# ARTICLE V TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence, commencing upon filing of these Articles.

#### ARTICLE VI REGISTERED AGENT AND INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE

The Registered Agent and the street address of the initial Registered Office of this Corporation in the State of Florida shall be:

James H. Hicks, Esquire 1645 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard Suite 1050 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

#### ARTICLE VII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

This Corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be either increased or diminished from time to time by By-Laws adopted by the stockholders, but shall never be less than one.

## ARTICLE VIII INITIAL DIRECTOR

The name of the initial director of this Corporation and his street address is:

Janis Hicks 14434 Cypress Island Circle Palm Beach Gardens, FL 33410

The person named as initial director shall hold office for the first year of existence of this Corporation or until his successor is elected or appointed and have qualified, whichever comes first.

# ARTICLE IX OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall consist of:

President: Janis Hicks Treasurer: Janis Hicks

#### ARTICLE X INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation as the Incorporator is:

James H. Hicks, Esquire HICKS, BRAMS & SCHER 1645 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard Suite 1050 West Palm Beach, Florida 33401

# ARTICLE XI AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law. Every amendment shall be approved by the Board of Directors, proposed by them to the stockholders and approved at a stockholders' meeting by at least a majority of the stock entitled to vote, unless all of the directors and all of the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment of these Articles of Incorporation be made.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this  $\frac{1}{1}$  day of August, 2000.

Inmes: H Hicks

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF PALM BEACH

BEFORE ME personally appeared James H. Hicks, to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument and acknowledged to and before me that he executed same for the purposes therein expressed and who produced

as identification or who is personally known to me? WITNESS my hand and official seal this // day of August, 2000.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this //

RENEE RESNACK

REVOCATE ETA 6/03/2001

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No. CC65/2568

[1] Personally Known [1] Other L.D.

NOTARY PUBLIC

Print Name:

State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:

CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE

FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE

NAMING AGENT UPON WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 48.091, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, the following is submitted, in compliance with said Act.

Smooth Operators, Inc., is desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, has named James H. Hicks, Esquire, at 1645 Palm Beach Lakes Boulevard, Suite 1050, West Palm Beach, Florida 33401, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### ACKNOWLEDGMENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above state 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.

> James H. Hicks Registered Agent

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