

Inter-Office Communication

Comptroller of Florida Division of Banking

DATE:

August 15, 2000

TO:

Karon Beyer, Department of State, Division of Corporations -

Bureau of Commercial Recording

FROM:

John A. Pullen, Division of Banking

SUBJECT:

The Trust Company of Florida (Proposed New State Trust Company)

Please file the attached "Articles of Incorporation" (original and two copies) for the above-referenced institution, using today's date as the effective date.

Please make the following distribution of certified copies:

(1) One copy to:

Division of Banking

101 East Gaines Street

Suite 636

Tallahassee, Florida 32399-0350

(2) One copy to:

Rod Jones, Esquire Shutts & Bowen LLP

20 North Orange Avenue

Suite 1000

Orlando, Florida 32801-4626

A \$52.50 check that represents payment of the applicable fees has already been accepted by your office (check with Ms. Bobby Cox). If there is an underpayment, please contact Mr. Jones at (407) 849-4906. If there is an overpayment, please issue a refund to Shutts & Bowen LLP.

If you have any questions, please call me at 410-9527.

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The undersigned, acting as directors for the purpose of forming a corporation under and by virtue of the Laws of the State of Florida, adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be The Trust Company of Florida, and its initial place of business shall be at 1620 Placida Road in the City of Englewood, Charlotte County, State of Florida.

ARTICLE II

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be that of a general trust company business with all the rights, powers, and privileges granted and conferred by the Florida Financial Institutions Codes, regulating the organization, powers, and management of trust companies.

ARTICLE III

The total number of shares authorized to be issued by the corporation shall be fifty thousand (50,000). Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$65.00 per share. The corporation shall begin business with at least \$1,755,000.00 in paid-in common capital stock to be divided into 27,000 shares. The amount of surplus with which the corporation will begin business will be not less than \$540,000.00, and the amount of undivided profits, not less than \$205,000.00, all of which (capital stock, surplus, and undivided profits) shall be paid in cash.

ARTICLE IV

The term for which said corporation shall exist shall be perpetual unless terminated pursuant to the Florida Financial Institutions Codes.

ARTICLE V

The number of directors shall not be fewer than five (5). A majority of the full board of directors may, at any time during the years following the annual meeting of shareholders, increase the number of directors by not more than two and appoint persons to fill the resulting vacancies. The names and street addresses of the first directors of the corporation are:

Alan A. Floyd 5880 Midnight Pass Road, Suite 905 Sarasota, Florida 34242 Richard M. Morrison No. 7 Peekins Cove Boca Grande, Florida 33921

William E. Gaylor, Jr. 614 Four Bays Drive Nokomis, Florida 34275 Kenneth M. Nirenberg 775 Limpet Drive Sanibel, Florida 33957

Philip M. Lascelle 845 Tropical Circle Sarasota, Florida 34242 Edward J. Schmidt 1606 N. Lakeshore Drive Sarasota, Florida 34231

James M. Lombard 888 Boulevard of the Arts, #1906 Sarasota, Florida 34236 S. Alexander Thayer 1822 Casey Key Road Nokomis, Florida 34275

Mary G. Toundas 5919 Diana Road Venice, Florida 34293 In witness of the foregoing, the undersigned directors have executed these Articles of Incorporation this 19 day of July, A.D. 2000.

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STATE OF FLORIDA)

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COUNTY OF SARASOTA)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this / July day of _______, 2000, by Alan A. Floyd; William E. Gaylor, Jr.; Philip M. Lascelle; James M. Lombard; Richard M. Morrison; Kenneth M. Nirenberg; Edward J. Schmidt; S. Alexander Thayer; and Mary G. Toundas, [who are personally known to me or [] who have produced Florida drivers' licenses as identification and who did not take an oath.

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Notary Public - State of Florida at Large

My Commission Expires:



Sandra L. Fraser VY COMMISSION # CC629235 EXPIRES May 30, 2001 BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

Approved by the Department of Banking and Finance this 14th day of August, 2000.

Tallahassee, Florida

Robert F. Milligan

Comptroller of the State of Florida and Head of the

Department of Banking and Finance