# DO 18000 1892 ABACUS ASSOCIATES 2219 Lee Terrace Port Charlotte, FL 33952 (941)629-7656

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SUBJECT:

Abacus Associates, Inc.

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Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check in the amount of \$78.75 for the Filing Fee & Certification of Status.

FROM:

Mark C. Higinbotham

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### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

EFFECTIVE DATE

### ABACUS ASSOCIATES, INC.

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation in compliance with Chapter 607 and/or Chapter 621 of the Florida Statutes, hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article 1. Name: The name of the Corporation is:

Abacus Associates, Inc.

Article 2. Mailing Address. The mailing address of the Corporation is:

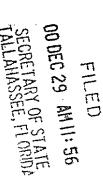
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Article 3. Duration. The duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

Article 4. Purpose. The general purposes for which the Corporation is organized are:

- A. To engage in the preparation of tax returns.
- B. To furnish related accounting and advisory business services; and to own real and personal property, enter into contracts, and engage in any lawful business necessary for the rendering of such services.
- C. To do everything necessary, proper, or convenient for the accomplishment of any of the purposes herein set forth, and to do every other act incidental thereto which is not prohibited by the laws of the State of Florida or by the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation.

Article 5. Capital Stock. The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation is authorized to issue is 10,000 shares of common stock. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have \$1.00 par value.



Article 6. Initial Registered Office and Agent. The street address of the initial Registered Office of the Corporation is 2219 Lee Terrace, Port Charlotte, Florida 33952, and the name of its initial Registered Agent at that address is Mark C. Higinbotham.

Article 7. Incorporator. The name and address of the Incorporator is as follows:

Mark C. Higinbotham

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Article 8. Amendment. The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and any right conferred upon the Shareholders is subject to this reservation.

Article 9. Indemnification. The Corporation shall indemnify each Officer and Director, including former Officers and Directors, to the full extent permitted by law.

Article 10. Commencement of Corporate Existence. In accordance with Chapter 621, Florida Statues, and Section 607.0203, Florida Statutes, the effective date when corporate existence shall commence is **January 2nd**, **2001**. In the event these Articles of Incorporation are not filed within the time period set forth in Section 607.0203, Florida Statues, the date when corporate existence shall commence is the date of filing by the Secretary of State.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 28th day of December, 2000.

Mark C. Higipbotham, Incorporator

## ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

The undersigned hereby accepts the appointment as Registered Agent of Abacus Associates,
Inc. which is contained in the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and agrees to comply with the
provisions of all statues relative to the property and complete performance of my duties, and
accepts the duties and obligations of Section 607.0505, Florida Statues.

DATED this 28th day of December 2000.

Mark C. Higinbotham

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