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ABACUS ASSOCIATES
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Division of Corporations
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SUBJECT: Abacus Associates, Inc.

EFFECTIVE DATE
1-2-01

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

ABACUS ASSOCIATES, INC.

EFFECTIVE DATE
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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:

**2219 Lee Terrace
Port Charlotte, FL 33952**

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.

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Article 6. Initial Registered Office and Agent. The street address of the initial Registered

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

Mark C. Higinbotham

Article 8. Amendment. The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any

Article 9. Indemnification. The Corporation shall indemnify each Officer and Director,

Article 10. Commencement of Corporate Existence. In accordance with Chapter 621,

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned Incorporator has signed these Articles of

Mark C. Higinbotham, 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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