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Re:

Stephens' Equipment Company, Inc.

Articles of Incorporation

#### Gentlemen:

Enclosed please find the original and one copy of the Articles of Incorporation for Stephens' Equipment Company, Inc., which includes the designation of registered agent. You will also find enclosed our check in the amount of \$78.75 to cover the following costs:

Filing Fees	\$ 35.00
Designation of Resident Agent	\$ 35.00
Certified Copy of Articles	\$ 8.75
TOTAL	\$ 78.75

Your prompt attention in this regard is greatly appreciated.

Sincerely,

H. Matthew Fuqua

For the Firm

HMF/st

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#### **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

<u>OF</u>

#### STEPHENS' EQUIPMENT COMPANY, INC.



The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, being a natural person, competent to contract, hereby forms this corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

# ARTICLE NAME Stephens' Equipment Company, Inc.

## ARTICLE II NATURE OF BUSINESS

The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is to manufacture, purchase or otherwise acquire, and to own, mortgage, pledge, sell, assign, transfer or otherwise dispose of, and to invest in, trade in, deal in and with, goods, wares, merchandise, real and personal property, and services of every class, kind and description; except that it is not to conduct a banking, safe deposit trust, surety, express, railroad, canal, telephone, telegraph, or cemetery company, a building and loan association, fraternal benefit society, state fair nor exposition.

## ARTICLE III CAPITAL STOCK

The maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to have outstanding at one time is 500 shares of common stock, having a par value of \$1.00 per share.

#### ARTICLE IV INITIAL CAPITAL

The amount of capital with which this corporation will begin business is not less than \$500.00.

## ARTICLE V TERM OF EXISTENCE

This corporation is to exist perpetually.

### ARTICLE VI

The initial post office address of the initial principal office of this corporation is 211 Porter Avenue, (P. O. Box 34) Grand Ridge, Florida 32443. The name of the initial Resident Agent in the State of Florida is H. Matthew Fuqua, Esq., whose address is 4450 Lafayette Street, Post Office Box 1508, Marianna, Florida 32447. The Board of Directors may, from time to time, move the initial registered office of the corporation to any other address in the State of Florida.

## ARTICLE VII

This corporation shall have one director initially. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time, by bylaws adopted by the stockholders, but shall never be less than one (1).

## ARTICLE VIII INITIAL DIRECTORS

The name and post office address of the members of the first Board of Directors are:

NAME ADDRESS

Kenneth Stephens Post Office Box 34
Grand Ridge, Florida 32443

#### ARTICLE IX SUBSCRIBERS

The names and addresses of the subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, the number of shares each agrees to take, and he value of consideration therefore, are:

<u>NAME</u>	<u>ADDRESS</u>	CONSIDERATION	SHARES
Kenneth Stephens and his wife, Vickie W. Stephens, as tenants by the entireties	211 Porter Avenue (P. O. Box 34) Grand Ridge, FL 32443	\$50.00	10

## ARTICLE X 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 to them by the stockholders and approved at a stockholders' meeting by majority of the stock then entitled to vote thereon, unless the directors and the stockholders sign a written statement manifesting their intention that a certain amendment to these Articles of Incorporation be made.

KENNETH STEPHENS

VICKIE W. STEPHENS

STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF JACKSON:

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared Kenneth Stephens and his wife, Vickie W. Stephens, to me known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation as SUBSCRIBERS, and they acknowledged before me that they subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

Janet M. Thompson
MY COMMISSION # DD046308 EXPIRES
October 3, 2005
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC

Frint Name:
NOTARY PUBLIC
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 48.901, <u>Florida Statutes</u>, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act.

FIRST - That Stephens' Equipment Company, Inc., desiring to be organized under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, in the City of Grand Ridge, Jackson County, Florida, has named H. Matthew Fuqua, Esq., whose street address is 4450 Lafayette Street, Marianna, Florida 32446, and whose mailing address is Post Office Box 1508, Marianna, Florida 32447, as its agent to accept service of process within this State.

Having been named to accept service of process for the above-styled corporation, at place designated in this certificate, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree to comply with the provisions of said Act to relative keeping open said office.

H. Matthew Fuqua, Esq. Bondurant & Fuqua, P. A. 4450 Lafayette Street Post Office Box 1508 Marianna, Florida 32447 (850) 526-2263

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