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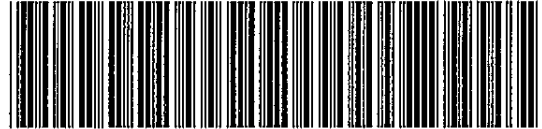
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CORPORATION SERVICE COMPANY\*

ACCOUNT NO. : 072100000032

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AUTHORIZATION :

*Patricia Pigato*

COST LIMIT : \$ 78.75

ORDER DATE : April 9, 2004

ORDER TIME : 9:29 AM

ORDER NO. : 558476-005

CUSTOMER NO: 7369749

CUSTOMER: Mr. Karl C. Landsteiner  
Goetz, Hartman & Landsteiner

Suite 300  
2133 Winkler Avenue  
Fort Myers, FL 33911

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NAME: PREFERRED INVESTORS GROUP, INC

EFFECTIVE DATE:

XX ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
       CERTIFICATE OF LIMITED PARTNERSHIP  
       ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

PLEASE RETURN THE FOLLOWING AS PROOF OF FILING:

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       CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

CONTACT PERSON: Sara Lea - EXT. 2914

EXAMINER'S INITIALS: \_\_\_\_\_

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**  
**OF**  
**PREFERRED INVESTORS GROUP, INC.**

The undersigned, for the purposes of forming a corporation under the Florida Corporation Act, does hereby adopt the following Articles of Incorporation

**ARTICLE ONE**

**NAME:** The name of the corporation is PREFERRED INVESTORS GROUP, INC.

**ARTICLE TWO**

**DURATION:** The duration of the corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE THREE**

**PURPOSE:** The purpose for which the corporation is organized are the following:

A. To engage in and transact any lawful business of which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida General Corporation Act. No other purpose limits this general purpose in any way.

B. To do such other things as are incidental to the purpose of the corporation or necessary or desirable in order to accomplish them.

**ARTICLE FOUR**

**CAPITAL STOCK:** The aggregate number of shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is 1,000 shares of common stock. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$1.00 per share.

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## **ARTICLE FIVE**

**REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT:** The street address of the Registered Office of the corporation is: 6429 Plumosa Avenue S.W., Fort Myers, FL 33908, and the name of its initial Registered Agent at that address is Daniel A. Althoff. The principal office of the corporation is 6429 Plumosa Avenue S.W., Fort Myers, FL 33908.

## **ARTICLE SIX**

**INITIAL BOARD OF DIRECTORS:** The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is one. The number of Directors may be increased or decreased from time to time in accordance with the By-Laws, but shall never be less than one. The name and address of the initial Director(s) of the corporation are:

Daniel A. Althoff

## **ARTICLE SEVEN**

**INCORPORATORS:** The name and address of the Incorporator is: Daniel A. Althoff, 6429 Plumosa Avenue S.W., Fort Myers, FL 33908.

## **ARTICLE EIGHT**

**COMMENCEMENT OF CORPORATE EXISTENCE:** In accordance with Section 607.167, Florida Statutes, the date when corporate existence shall commence as of the date of filing these Articles of Incorporation.

## **ARTICLE NINE**

**PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS:** Each shareholder of the corporation shall have the right to purchase, subscribe for, or receive a right or rights to purchase or subscribe for, at

the price for which it is offered to others, that shareholder's pro rata portion of the following:

A. Any stock of any class that the corporation may issue or sell, whether or not exchangeable for any stock of the corporation of any class or classes, and whether or not of unissued shares authorized by the Articles of Incorporation as originally filed or by any amendment thereof or out of shares of stock of the corporation acquired by it after the issuance thereof, and whether issued for cash or other consideration; or

B. Any obligation that the corporation may issue or sell which is convertible into or exchangeable for any stock of the corporation of any class or classes, or to which is attached or pertinent any warrant or warrants or other instruments conferring on the holder the right to subscribe for or purchase from the corporation any shares of its stock of any class or classes.

This right shall be deemed waived by any shareholder who does not exercise it and pay for the shares preempted within thirty (30) days after receipt of written notice from the corporation stating the price, terms and conditions of the issue of shares and inviting the shareholder to exercise this preemptive right. This right may also be waived by a written waiver signed by the shareholder.

## **ARTICLE TEN**

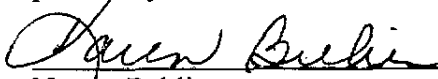
AMENDMENT: The corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provisions contained in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment to them, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to their reservation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has signed these Articles of Incorporation on this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2004.

  
Daniel A. Althoff, Incorporator

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF LEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2004, by Daniel A. Althoff, Incorporator, of Preferred Investors Group, Inc. He is/is not personally known to me and did/did not take an oath.

  
Notary Public

Commission No.:



Karen A. Bieber  
MY COMMISSION # DD131166 EXPIRES  
September 25, 2006  
BONDED THRU TROY FAIR INSURANCE, INC.

Commission Expires:

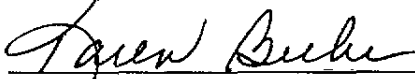
**REGISTERED AGENT'S ACKNOWLEDGEMENT**

I, Daniel A. Althoff, am familiar with and accept the duties and responsibilities as registered agent for Preferred Investors Group, Inc.

  
Daniel A. Althoff

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF LEE

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2004, by Daniel A. Althoff, who is/is not personally known to me and who did/did not take an oath. He executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation and acknowledged to and before me that he executed the said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

  
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