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April 13, 2007

Corporate Records Bureau Division of Corporations Department of State Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

RE: CPS GROUP C.P.A.'s, P.A.

#### Gentlemen:

I am enclosing the original and one copy of proposed articles of incorporation for the above corporation, together with a certificate designating resident agent. Please approve and file the originals and return a certified copy to me.

Also enclosed is my check payable to you for your charges as follows:

Filing Fee \$ 35.00
Certified Copy 8.75
Registered
Agent's Designation 35.00

Total: \$78.75

Please let me know if anything further is required.

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**Enclosures** 

cc: Frank M. Ashley, III

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

#### CPS GROUP C.P.A.'s, P.A.

The undersigned incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation, who is natural person competent to contract, hereby forms a corporation under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE I. NAME

The name of this corporation is: CPS GROUP C.P.A.'s, P.A.

### ARTICLE II. PERMITTED BUSINESSES AND ACTIVITIES

The sole and exclusive professional service to be rendered by the corporation is the practice of certified public accounting, and related activities. The corporation may, however, own and invest its funds in real estate, mortgages, stock, bonds or any other type of investments, or own or lease real or personal property necessary for the rendering of professional services.

#### ARTICLE III. CAPITAL STOCK

The aggregate number of shares which the corporation is authorized to issue is 10,000 shares of Common Stock, having a par value of One Dollar (\$1.00) per share. The consideration to be paid for each share shall be as fixed by the Board of Directors and may take the form of services rendered, cash, property or any other form with a value, in the judgment of the directors, equivalent to or greater than the full par value of the shares.

#### ARTICLE IV. TERM OF EXISTENCE

The existence of this corporation is to begin upon the date of subscription of these Articles and shall continue perpetually thereafter.

#### ARTICLE V. PRINCIPAL OFFICE ADDRESS

The street address of the initial principal office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 1509 South Florida Avenue, Lakeland, Florida 33803. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the principal office to any other address in Florida, and may establish branch offices in such other place or places within or without the State of Florida as it may designate.

#### ARTICLE VI. INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation in the State of Florida is 1509 South Florida Avenue, Lakeland, Florida 33803, and the name of the corporation's initial registered agent at that address is Chas P. Smith. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the registered office to any other address in Florida.

#### ARTICLE VII. DIRECTORS

This corporation shall have four directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time, as provided in the bylaws.

#### ARTICLE VIII. DIRECTORS' POWERS

The Board of Directors shall have the power to fix or change salaries of the directors

as directors and as officers, to permit contracts or other transactions between the corporation and one or more of its directors individually or businesses in which one or more of its directors are interested, and to exercise such other powers of the corporation as are not inconsistent with these Articles or with any bylaws that may be adopted by the shareholders.

Without limiting the generality of the foregoing, no contract or other transaction between this corporation and one or more of its directors, or between this corporation and any other firm of which one or more of its directors are members or employees, or in which they are interested, or between this corporation and any corporation, association or other enterprise of which one or more of its directors are shareholders, members, directors, officers or employees, or in which they are interested, shall be deemed to be invalid because of the presence of such director or directors at the meeting of the Board of Directors of this corporation, which acts upon, or in reference to, such contract or transaction, or because of his or their participation in such action, if the fact of such interest shall be disclosed or known to the Board of Directors, and the Board of Directors shall, nevertheless, authorize, approve and ratify such contract or transaction by a vote of a majority of the directors (such interested director or directors to be counted in determining whether a quorum is present, and in calculating the majority necessary to carry such vote). This paragraph shall not be construed to invalidate any contract or other transaction that would otherwise be valid under the common or statutory law applicable thereto.

#### ARTICLE IX. ORIGINAL DIRECTORS

The name and address of each member of the first Board of Directors is:

Name

Address

Chas P. Smith

1050 Lake Hollingsworth Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33803

Frank M. Ashley, III 2856 Carrie Lane, Lakeland, Florida 33813

Peter C. Golotko 4318 Forest Hills Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33813

James M. Luffman 1204 Easton Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33803

Members of the first Board of Directors shall serve until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified.

#### ARTICLE X. INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the incorporators to these Articles of Incorporation and their initial ownership interest is:

<u>Name</u>		Initial Percentage Ownership
Chas P. Smith	1050 Lake Hollingsworth Drive, Lakeland, Florida 3380	3 52%
Frank M. Ashley, III	2856 Carrie Lane, Lakeland, Florida 33813	28%
Peter C. Golotko	4318 Forest Hills Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33813	10%
James M. Luffman	1204 Easton Drive, Lakeland, Florida 33803	10%

#### ARTICLE XI. AMENDMENTS

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by law; and all rights conferred on shareholders herein are granted and subject to this reservation. These Articles may be amended prior to the issuance of the stock of this corporation by the unanimous approval or consent of the Board of Directors.

Chas P. Smith

Frank M. Ashley, III

Peter C. Golotko

James M. Luffman

#### STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF POLK

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this day, before me, a notary public duly authorized in the state and county named above to take acknowledgments, personally appeared Chas. P. Smith, Frank M. Ashley, III, Peter C. Golotko and James M. Luffman, to me known to be the persons described as the incorporators in and who executed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and Chas. P. Smith, Frank M. Ashley, III, Peter C. Golotko and James M. Luffman, acknowledged before me that they subscribed to those Articles of Incorporation.

day of April , 2007. WITNESS my hand and official seal in the state and county named above this 9th day of April , 2007.

My commission expires:

(affix notarial seal)

SUSAN J. DE COURCY
MY COMMISSION # DD 469048
EXPIRES: December 15, 2009
Bonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters

## 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 48.091, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

That CPS GROUP C.P.A.'s, P.A., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida, with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at the City of Lakeland, County of Polk, State of Florida, has named Chas P. Smith, located at 1509 South Florida Avenue, Lakeland, Florida 33803, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGMENT**

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

Chas P. Smith, Registered Agent

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