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**OF** 

#### PENSON LAW FIRM, P.A.

The undersigned incorporators, each of whom is licensed or otherwise legally authorized to practice the profession of law in the State of Florida, associate themselves with the intention of forming a professional corporation in accordance with Florida Statutes and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation.

# **ARTICLE I: NAME**

The name of this corporation shall be:

#### PENSON LAW FIRM, P.A.

The principal place of business of this corporation shall be 1435 Piedmont Drive East, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, but it shall have the power to transact business in any other place or places both within and without the State of Florida and throughout the world. The mailing address of the corporation shall be 1435 Piedmont Drive East, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. The annual meeting of the stockholders shall be held at the place designated by the Board of Directors.

# **ARTICLE II: NATURE AND PURPOSE**

The general nature of the business to be transacted and carried on by this professional service corporation and its objects and purposes are to conduct any and all lawful business consistent with the provisions hereinafter set out or provided and it shall have all the powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida upon professional service corporations as fully and to the same extent as natural persons might or could do in all parts of the world, namely:

(a) To engage in the practice of law as a professional law corporation and to carry on services incident to the practice of law. The practice of law is the sole and exclusive professional service to be rendered by this corporation.

The professional legal services of this corporation shall be carried out only through officers, employees, and agents, each of whom has been admitted to the bar of, and is duly authorized to practice law in the State of Florida. The corporation may engage and employ paraprofessionals and other employees and agents who do not perform the practice of law.

(b) To own real and personal property, mortgages, stocks, bonds or other investments, enter into contracts and to do such and everything necessary, convenient, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any of the purposes or for the attainment of any one or more of the objects herein enumerated, or which shall at any time appear conducive to, or expedient for, the protection or for the benefit of this corporation.

The foregoing and following provisions shall be construed as objects in furtherance and not in limitation of the general powers conferred by the laws of the State of Florida and the enumeration in these Articles of specific powers and objects shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of this corporation; but this professional service corporation may do all and everything necessary, suitable or proper for the accomplishment of any purpose or object, either along or in association with other corporations, firms or individuals, to the same extent and as fully as individuals might or could do as principals, agents, contractors or otherwise as permitted by Florida law.

#### **ARTICLE III: MAXIMUM SHARES**

The maximum number of shares of stock that the corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is One Thousand (1,000) shares with no par value.

These shares shall be of a single class of common stock. The Board of Directors, may establish and determine various or separate classes or categories of stock which shall be set forth in the by-laws of this corporation.

The consideration to be paid for each share shall be fixed by the Board of Directors.

### **ARTICLE IV: VOTING**

At each meeting of the shareholders of this corporation, the presence in person or by proxy of the holders of a majority in number of the issued and outstanding shares of stock shall be necessary to constitute a quorum for the transaction of any business. The affirmative vote of a majority represented at the meeting shall be necessary to adopt any resolution, carry any motion, or take any corporate action, including election of director, which requires the vote of the shareholders. Voting is by number of shares; i.e. one vote per each share. Voting rights my be further defined in the Bylaws of the corporation.

# **ARTICLE V: DURATION**

The effective date of this professional service corporation is September 22, 2010.

The corporation shall have perpetual existence, unless sooner voluntarily dissolved according to law.

#### **ARTICLE VI: DIRECTORS**

The number of directors of this corporation shall be at least one (1) to be fixed from time to time by resolution of the stockholders of this corporation at their annual meeting prior to the election of directors. Directors shall be stockholders of the corporation. They shall be elected by a majority of the stockholders present and participating at the annual meetings of the corporation to be held as prescribed by the bylaws and shall hold office after their election until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified.

The original bylaws of this corporation shall be made, prepared and adopted by the board of directors of the corporation by a majority vote thereof. Thereafter the said bylaws may be amended by the Board of Directors at any regular meeting of said Board of Directors or at any special meeting for which said meeting is called by a majority of the directors present. The Board of Directors shall also have the power from time to time to direct and determine the use and disposition of any net profit or earned surplus of the corporation (in excess of the capital stock paid in); and the corporation may, by and through its Board of Directors, purchase, sell and trade in the bonds or other obligations of this corporation or in the shares of its capital stock; but if shares of the corporation's capital stock have been purchased and subsequently there is a reduction in the matter provided by law of the corporation's capital stock, then, to the extent that such shares are not reissued at the time of the reduction, they shall be deemed retired in an amount not exceeding the amount of the reduction and shall not be reissued, except as provided by law.

The Board of Directors shall elect officers of this corporation, who shall consist of the President, who shall be a director, a Secretary, who shall be a director, and such other further officers as may be provided by resolution of the Board of Directors. All officers are required to be a stockholder of the corporation. All officers, unless elected to fill a vacancy, shall hold office after their election until their respective successors are duly elected and qualified, unless it is provided by the bylaws that they shall hold office at the pleasure of the Board of Directors. The duties of all officers elected by the Board of Directors shall be prescribed by the bylaws or resolution of the Board of Directors.

No contract or other transaction between the corporation and any other corporation shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any one or more of the directors of this corporation is or are interested in or is a director or officer or are directors or officers of such other corporation and may be a party or parties to or may be interested in any contract or transaction of this corporation or in which the corporation is interested; and no contract, act or transaction of this corporation with any person or persons, firms or corporations shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any director or directors of this corporation is a party or are parties to or interested in such contract, act or transaction or in any way connected with such person or persons, firms or associations, and each and every person who may become a director of this corporation is hereby relieved from any liability that might otherwise exist, from contracting with the corporation for the benefit of himself or the firm or corporation to which he may be otherwise indebted.

Each officer and director of the corporation shall disclose to the Board of Directors his relationship with any person, firm or entity with which this corporation seeks to transact business and each such officer and director shall act in good faith with respect to such transaction.

#### ARTICLE VII: INDEMNIFICATION

The Board of Directors is authorized, to the extent allowable by law, to indemnify any officers, directors, employees, or other agents of the corporation for any liability arising out of an act performed in furtherance of the officers', directors', employees', or agents' duties to the corporation. The Board of Directors may adopt an indemnification

policy limited only by Florida law, and shall set forth the indemnification policy in the corporation's bylaws and shall not deviate there from without amending said bylaws.

# **ARTICLE VIII: ADDITIONAL SHARES**

The corporation shall have the power to grant to the stockholders of record at the time of issuance of any additional stock beyond the originally authorized maximum number of One Thousand (1,000) shares hereinbefore provided for, full preemptive rights in the issuance of all new stock, in that such new stock shall be first offered to such registered stockholders for the sale at the "started" or fixed value thereof before there shall be an officer to sell new stock to person other than said stockholder. The terms and other details of such offer, including the time of its acceptance and the manner of payment shall be determined by the Board of Directors.

#### **ARTICLE IX: SALE OF SHARES**

The corporation shall have the power to include in its bylaws any regulatory or restrictive provisions relating to the proposed sale, transfer or other disposition of any of its outstanding stock by any of its stockholders or in the event of death of any of its stockholders.

#### ARTICLE X: INCORPORATORS

The name and post office address of the incorporator to these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Albert C. Penson

1435 Piedmont Drive East Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# **ARTICLE XI: INITIAL DIRECTORS**

The name and post office address of the Directors who shall serve as the first Directors of the Board of Directors of the corporation who shall hold office until their successors are elected or appointed and have qualified, are as follows:

Albert C. Penson

1435 Piedmont Drive East Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# **ARTICLE XII: REGISTERED AGENT**

Albert C. Penson, Esquire is designated as the corporation's agent to accept service of process within Florida at 1435 Piedmont Drive East, Tallahassee, Florida 32308. The street address of the initial registered agent for this corporation shall be 1435 Piedmont Drive East, Tallahassee, Florida 32308, and the registered agent at such address is Albert C. Penson, Esquire.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I, the undersigned subscribers, above-named as the incorporator of PENSON LAW FIRM, P.A., have hereunto set my hand and seal this \_\_\_\_\_\_ day of September, 2010.

Albert C. Penson

# STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF LEON

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me by ALBERT C. PENSON, who is personally known to me and is known to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal this 22 day of September, 2010

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Expires October 2, 2011
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#### ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT AS REGISTERED AGENT

# STATE OF FLORIDA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE

The undersigned, ALBERT C. PENSON, having been designated as Agent for the service of process with the State of Florida, upon PENSON LAW FIRM, P.A., a corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, does hereby accept the appointment as such agent for the above-named corporation.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the name of said registered agent is hereunto affixed at Tallahassee, Leon County, Florida, this 22 day of September, 2010.

ALBERT C. PENSON

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