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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

#### FRANKLIN INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.

The undersigned subscribers to these Articles of Incorporation, natural persons competent to contract, hereby form a corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

#### ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of the corporation is FRANKLIN INSURANCE AGENCY, INC.

#### ARTICLE II - NATURE OF BUSINESS

This corporation is organized for the following purposes:

- (a) To act as an agent for insurance companies in soliciting, procuring, receiving and forwarding applications for property and casualty insurance, together with the collection of premiums and the doing of such other business as may be designated to agents by insurance companies and to conduct a general insurance agency and insurance brokerage business, and to do any and all things incidental to the operation of an insurance agency which is not forbidden by statute or by these Articles of Incorporation.
- (b) To acquire by purchase, lease, or otherwise, lands and interest in lands, and to own, hold, improve, develop, and manage any real estate so acquired, and to erect, or cause to be erected, on any lands owned, held or occupied by the corporation buildings or other structures, public or private, with their appurtenances, and to manage, operate, lease, rent, rebuild, enlarge, alter, or improve any buildings or other structures, now or hereafter erected on any lands so owned, held or occupied, and to encumber or dispose of any lands, or interests in lands, and any buildings, or other structures, at any time owned or held by the corporation. To buy, sell, mortgage, exchange, lease, hold for investment or otherwise, use and operate, real estate of all kinds, improved or unimproved, and any right or interest therein.
- (c) To acquire, by purchase, lease, manufacture, or otherwise, any personal property deemed necessary or useful in the equipment, furnishing, improvements, development or management of any property, real or personal, at any time owned, held or occupied by the corporation, and to invest, trade, and deal in any personal property deemed beneficial to the corporation, and to lease, rent, encumber or dispose of any

personal property at any time owned or held by the corporation.

- (d) To contract debts and borrow money, issue and sell or pledge bonds, debentures, notes and other evidence of indebtedness, and execute such mortgages, transfers or corporate property, or other instruments to secure the payment of corporate indebtedness as required.
- (e) To purchase the corporate assets of any other corporation and engage in the same or other character of business.
- (f) To guarantee, endorse, purchase, hold, sell, transfer, mortgage, pledge, or otherwise acquire to dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds, securities, or other evidence of indebtedness created by any other corporation of the state of Florida or any other state or government, and while owner of such stock to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote such stock.
- (g) To enter into, make, perform, and carry out contracts and agreements of every kind, for any lawful purpose, without limits as to amount, with any person, firm, association, or corporation; and to transact any further and other business necessarily connected with the purpose of this corporation, or calculated to facilitate the same.
- (h) To carry on any or all of its operations and businesses, and to promote its objects within the state of Florida or elsewhere, without restrictions as to place or amount; and to have, use, exercise, and enjoy all of the general powers of like corporations.
- (i) To engage in any and all lawful businesses, trades, occupations and professions.
- (j) To do any or all of the things herein set forth to the same extent as natural persons might or could do, and in any part of the world as principals, agents, contractors, or otherwise, alone, or in the company with others, and to do and perform all such other things and acts as may be necessary, profitable, or expedient in carrying on any of the business or acts above named.

The intention is that none of the objects and powers as hereinabove set forth, except where otherwise specified in this Article, shall be in anywise, limited or restricted by reference to or in reference from the terms of any other objects, powers or clauses of this Article or any other Articles; but that the objects and powers specified in each of the clauses in this Article shall be regarded as independent objects and powers.

#### ARTICLE III - CAPITAL STOCK

This maximum number of shares of stock that this corporation is authorized to

have outstanding at any time is ten thousand (10,000) shares of common stock, each share having the par value of \$.01.

Authorized capital stock may be paid for in cash, services, or property, at a just value to be fixed by the Board of Directors of this corporation at any regular or special meeting.

### ARTICLE IV - INITIAL REGISTERED PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered principal office of this corporation is 825 Thomasville, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is 825 Thomasville-Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303.

William J. Frank (1)

# ARTICLE V - DIRECTORS

The corporation shall initially have six (6) directors. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by the By-Laws, but shall never be less than one nor more than ten (10).

## ARTICLE VI - INITIAL DIRECTORS

The names and street addresses of the first Board of Directors who shall hold office until their successors are elected and have qualified are as follows:

Name	Address
William J. Franklin	768 Rhoden Cove Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Catherine D. Franklin	768 Rhoden Cove Tallahassee, Florida 32303
Carlton W. Franklin	5965 Ox Bottom Manor Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32312
Regina Franklin	5965 Ox Bottom Manor Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32312

David M. Moore, Sr.

2609 Lucerne Drive

Tallahassee, Florida 32303

Linda D. Gillespie

2057 Crestdale Drive Tallahassee, Florida 32308

# ARTICLE VII - INCORPORATORS

The name and address of the subscriber of these Articles of Incorporation is as follows:

Name

Address

William J. Franklin

768 Rhoden Cove Tallahassee, Florida 32303

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

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals, acknowledged and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the state of Florida, on this 30th day of January, 1995.

WILLIAM J. FRANKLIN (SEAL)

# STATE OF FLORIDA

**COUNTY OF LEON** 

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 30 day of January, 1995 by WILLIAM J. FRANKLIN, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification, and who did/did not take an oath.

Print: Linda D. Cilles pie Notary Public, State of Florida My Commission # My Commission expires:

NOTARY PUBLIC, STATE OF FLORIDA.
MY COMMUNICON EXPIRES: March 21, 1995.
BONDED THRU NOTARY PUBLIC UNDERWRITERS.

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# CERTIFICATE DESIGNATING PLACE OF BUSINESS OR DOMICILE FOR THE SERVICE OF PROCESS WITHIN THIS STATE, NAMING AGENT FOR WHOM PROCESS MAY BE SERVED

In pursuance of Chapter 607.034, Florida Statutes, the following is submitted in compliance with said Act:

First ---- That FRANKLIN INSURANCE AGENCY, INC., desiring to organize under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office, as indicated in the Articles of Incorporation, at City of Tallahassee, County of Leon, State of Florida, has named William J. Franklin, 825 Thomasville Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32303, as its agent to accept service of process within this state.

#### **ACKNOWLEDGEMENT:**

Having been made to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at 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.

William J. Franklin

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