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SECRETARY OF STATE  
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Secretary of State  
Division of Corporations  
409 E. Gaines Street  
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Att  
RE: STEARNS, INC.

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Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed herewith please find the original Articles of Incorporation for the above styled corporation which needs to be filed with your office, as well as our check in the amount of One Hundred Twenty Two Dollars and Fifty Cents (\$122.50) for costs incurred in same. In order to expedite this matter, I would request that you return our certified copy of the filed Articles to our office at your earliest convenience, using the enclosed self-addressed stamped envelope for your convenience.

Do not hesitate to contact our office if you have any questions or require further information.

Sincerely yours,

THOMAS O. MICHAELS, ESQ.

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THOMAS O. MICHAELS, ESQ.  
1370 Pinehurst Road  
Dunedin, FL 34698  
(813) 733-8030

DATE: June 25, 1996

RE: Stearns, Inc.; Reference Number  
W96000012617; Letter Number:  
096A00029477

TO: Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
Post Office Box 6327  
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

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Per your letter dated June 13, 1996, a copy of which is enclosed,  
please find Article of Incorporation of R & V Stearns Inc., to be  
submitted in replacement of Stearns, Inc.

Thank you for your attention hereto.



Rita A. Ponder, Paralegal/Secretary  
for Thomas O. Michaels, Esquire



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE  
Sundra B. Mortham  
Secretary of State

June 13, 1996

THOMAS O. MICHAELS, ESQ.  
1370 PINEHURST RD  
DUNEDIN, FL 34698

SUBJECT: ~~STEARNS, INC.~~  
Ref. Number: W96000012617

*Re: V STEARNS, INC.*

We have received your document for ~~STEARNS, INC.~~ and check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned to you for the following reason(s):

The name designated in your document is unavailable since it is the same as, or it is not distinguishable from the name of an existing entity. Simply adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of an entity name **DOES NOT** constitute a difference. Please select a new name and make the substitution in all appropriate places. One or more words may be added to make the name distinguishable from the one presently on file.

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**ARTICLE OF INCORPORATION  
OF**

**R & V STEARNS INC.**

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under the Florida Business Corporation Act hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

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**ARTICLE I  
NAME**

The name of the Corporation is: R & V STEARNS INC.

**ARTICLE II  
DURATION**

The term of the existence of the corporation is perpetual, and shall commence on the date of filing of these Articles.

**ARTICLE III  
PURPOSE**

The purpose of which the corporation is organized is to transact any and all lawful business for which corporations may be incorporated under the Florida Business Corporation Act.

**ARTICLE IV  
CAPITAL STOCK**

The aggregate number of shares that the corporation has authority to issue is 500 all of which shall be common shares with a par value of \$1.00 per share.

**ARTICLE V  
SPECIAL PROVISION**

It is the intent of the incorporator that the corporation will qualify under Section 1244 of the Internal Revenue Code, and the initial board of directors are hereby authorized, directed and empowered to so qualify the stock under the appropriate sections of the Internal Revenue Code.

**ARTICLE VI  
PRINCIPAL OFFICE AND  
REGISTERED OFFICE**

The principal office, if known, or the mailing address of the corporation is 7520 Vienna Lane, Port Richey, Florida 34668.

The street address of the initial registered office of the corporation is 1370 Pinehurst Road, Dunedin, Florida 34698 and the name of the initial registered agent at that address is Thomas O.

Michaelo, Esquire.

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ARTICLE VII  
DIRECTORS/OFFICERS

The initial board of directors of the corporation shall consist of 2 member.

The name and address of the first board of directors are:  
Directors: Robert S. Stearns, 7520 Vienna Lane, Port Richey,  
Florida 34668 and Victoria L. Stearns, 7520 Vienna Lane, Port  
Richey, Florida 34668.

The name and address of the initial officers of this  
Corporation are: Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer: Victoria L.  
Stearns, 7520 Vienna Lane, Port Richey, Florida 34668; and  
President: Robert S. Stearns, 7520 Vienna Lane, Port Richey,  
Florida 34668.

ARTICLE VIII  
INCORPORATOR

The name and address of the incorporator is: Victoria L.  
Stearns.

ARTICLE IX  
AMENDMENT

This 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 this reservation.

Dated this 21 day of June, 1996.

  
VICTORIA L. STEARNS, Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above  
named corporation at a place designated in these Articles of  
Incorporation, I hereby accept to act in this capacity, and agree  
to comply with the provision of Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes,  
relative to keeping open said office for service of process.

  
THOMAS O. MICHAELS, ESQUIRE,  
Registered Agent

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF PINELLAS

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 21  
day of June, 1996, by VICTORIA L. STEARNS, who has produced a  
Florida Driver's License as identification and who did take an  
oath, and acknowledged to and before me that she has executed the  
foregoing instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

NOTARY PUBLIC:

Sign *Rita A. Ponder*  
Print Rita A. Ponder  
Notary Public  
State of Florida  
My Commission Expires:  
(Seal, if applicable)

