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SIMPSON & ASSOCIATES % ALBERT SIMPSON, JR 6775 JACK HORNER LANE JACKSONVILLE, FL 32210

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# ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF SIMPSON & SIMPSON GROUP, INC.

SECRLUARY OF SIANTALLAHASSEF FLORE

The undersigned, for the purpose of forming a corporation under Florida statutes, adopts the following Articles of Incorporation.

#### ARTICLE I

NAME AND PLACE OF BUSINESS

Name of Place and Business. The name of this corporation is Simpson & Simpson Group, Inc. with its principal place of business at 6775 Jack Horner Lane, Jacksonville, Florida 32210.

#### ARTICLE II

#### DURATION

This corporation shall exist perpetually. Corporate existence shall commence on the date these Articles are executed and acknowledged, except that if these Articles are not filed by the Department of State of the State of Florida within five days, exclusive of legal holidays, after they are executed and acknowledged, corporate existence shall commence upon filing by the Department of State.

#### ARTICLE III

## PURPOSE AND NATURE OF BUSINESS

The purpose for which this corporation is organized and the general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation is to engage in every phase and aspect of the business of rendering to the public through this corporation's officers, employees and agents who are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized under the laws of the State of Florida is to render; provided, however, nothing in these Articles of Incorporation shall be interpreted to prohibit this corporation from investing its funds in real estate, mortgages, stocks, bonds or any other type of investments, or from owning real and personal property necessary for the rendering of such professional services.

#### ARTICLE IV

### CAPITAL STOCK

<u>Authorized Capital</u>. The authorized capital stock of this corporation shall consist of 7.500 shares of common stock having a par value of \$.01 per share.

#### ARTICLE V

## INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of this corporation is 575 Wells Road Suite B, Orange Park, Florida 32073 and the name of the initial registered agent of this corporation at that address is James W. Horne.

#### F 'ICLE VI

#### DIRECTORS

- (a) <u>Number</u>. This corporation shall have four directors initially. The number of directors may be increased or diminished from time to time by the bylaws, but shall never be less than one.
- (b) <u>Initial Directors</u>. The name and street address of the member of the first Board of Directors of this corporation are:

#### <u>Name</u>

#### <u>Address</u>

Albert Simpson, Jr 6775 Jack Horner Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32210 Cynthia A. Simpson 6775 Jack Horner Lane, Jacksonville, FL 32210 Albert Simpson, Sr 5740 Bree Road, Jacksonville, FL 32209 Onell Anthony Simpson 5740 Bree Road, Jacksonville, FL 32209

- (c) <u>Compensation</u>. The Board of Directors is hereby specifically authorized to make provision for reasonable compensation to its members for their services as directors, and to fix the basis and conditions upon which such compensation shall be paid. Any director may also serve this corporation in any other capacity and receive compensation therefor in any form.
- (d) <u>Indemnification</u>. The Board of Directors is hereby specifically authorized to make provisions for indemnification of directors, officers, employees and agents to the full extent permitted by law.

#### ARTICLE VII

## RESTRAINT ON ALIENATION OF SHARES

No shareholder of this corporation may sell, hypothecate or otherwise transfer his shares except to another individual who is eligible to be a shareholder of this corporation.

#### ARTICLE VIII

#### BYLAWS

The initial bylaws of this corporation shall be adopted by the directors. Bylaws shall thereafter be adopted, altered, amended or repealed from time to time by either the shareholders or the directors, but the directors shall not alter, amend or repeal any bylaw adopted by the shareholders if the shareholders specifically provide that such bylaw is not subject to amendment or repeal by the directors.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### INCORPORATOR

The street address of the incorporator of this corporation is 6775 Jack Horner Lane, Florida 32210 and the name of the incorporator of this corporation is Albert Simpson, Jr.

#### ARTICLE X

#### AMENDMENT

This corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, and any right conferred upon the shareholders is subject to this reservation.

ACCEPTANCE BY REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for the above stated corporation, at the place designated in these Articles of Incorporation, I hereby agree to act in this capacity, and I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties.

/06 48 W. Horne

Dated: 11/15/96