

P97000020075

3/03/97

FLORIDA DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
PUBLIC ACCESS SYSTEM
ELECTRONIC FILING COVER SHEET

3:58 PM

((H97000003678 4))

TO: DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

FAX #: (904)922-4001

FROM: FAS-T CORP. AGENTS, INC.
CONTACT: LIDIA FERNANDEZ
PHONE: (305)599-0839

ACCT#: 071001002335

FAX #: (305)716-0346

NAME: PALMETTO HOMECARE BARGAIN DEPOT, INC.

AUDIT NUMBER.....H97000003678

DOC TYPE.....FLORIDA PROFIT CORPORATION OR P.A.

CERT. OF STATUS..0

PAGES..... 11

CERT. COPIES.....1

DEL.METHOD.. FAX

EST.CHARGE.. \$122.50

NOTE: PLEASE PRINT THIS PAGE AND USE IT AS A COVER SHEET. TYPE THE FAX
AUDIT NUMBER ON THE TOP AND BOTTOM OF ALL PAGES OF THE DOCUMENT

** ENTER 'M' FOR MENU. **

RECEIVED
97 MAR -4 PM 2:37
SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

97 MAR -4 PM 3:25
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

me 3/5/97

904-922-3709
904-922-3709
04-922-3709

03/04/97 14:45 Fl. Dept. of State pl /1



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE
Sandra B. Mortham
Secretary of State

March 4, 1997

FAS-T

SUBJECT: PALMETTO HOME CARE BARGAIN DEPOT, INC.
REF: W97000005048

We received your electronically transmitted document. However, the document has not been filed. Please make the following corrections and refax the complete document, including the electronic filing cover sheet.

REGISTERED OFFICE NOT STATED IN DOCUMENT.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (904) 487-6933.

Dana Calloway
Document Specialist

FAX Aud. #: H97000003678
Letter Number: 497A00011099

H97000003678

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF

PALMETTO HOMECARE BARGAIN DEPOT, INC.

(Florida Statutes 607.154)

We, the undersigned, hereby associate ourselves together and make, subscribe, acknowledge and file these Articles of Incorporation with the Secretary of State of the State of Florida for the purpose of becoming a corporation for profit under the laws of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation shall be:

PALMETTO HOMECARE BARGAIN DEPOT, INC.

ARTICLE II

This corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE III

The purpose of this corporation is to engage in any activities or business permitted under the laws of the United States and Florida. The general nature of the business to be transacted by this corporation shall be, but not limited to, the following:

- a. Wholesale and retail sales of houseware and related products.
- b. To manufacture, purchase or otherwise acquire, and to own and mortgage, pledge, sell, assign and transfer or otherwise dispose of, and to invent, trade, deal in and deal with goods, wares, merchandise and other personal property of every class and description whatsoever.
- c. To buy, sell, manufacture, repair, alter and exchange, let or hire, export and deal in all kinds of articles and things which may be required for the purpose of any of the said businesses, or commonly supplied or dealt in by persons engaged in any such businesses, or which may seem capable of being profitable dealt with in connection with any of the said businesses.
- d. To guarantee, to acquire by purchase, subscription or otherwise, hold for investment or otherwise, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any other bonds, securities or evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation or corporations of the State of Florida, or any other state or

Prepared by: Michael Osman, P.A.
1474-A West 84th St.
Hialeah, FL 33014
(305) 823-1401

H97000003678

FILED
97 MAR -4 PM 3:25
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

government, domestic or foreign; and while the owner of any such stock, bond, securities or evidences of indebtedness to exercise all the rights, powers and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote thereon for any and all proposes; to aid by loan, subsidy, guaranty, or in any other manner whatsoever so far as the same may be permitted in the case of corporations organized under General Corporation Laws of the State of Florida, any corporation whose stocks, bonds, securities or any other obligations are or may be in any manner and at any time owners, held, or guarantees, and to do any and all other acts or things for the preservation, protection, improvement or enhancement in value of any such stocks, bonds, securities or other obligations; and to do all and any such acts or things designed to accomplish any such purpose.

e. To act as financial , business and purchasing agent for domestic and foreign corporations, individuals, partnership, associations, state governments and other bodies.

f. To borrow money and contract debts when necessary for the transaction of its business or for the exercise of its corporate rights, privileges or franchises, or for another lawful purpose of its corporation; to issue bonds, promissory notes, bills of exchange, debentures, any other obligations and evidences of indebtedness and payable at a specified time or times, or payable upon the happening of a specified event or events, secured or unsecured, from time to time, for moneys borrowed, or in payment for the property acquired, or for any of the other objects or purposes of the corporation or for any of the objects of its business; to secure the same by mortgage or mortgages, or deeds or deeds of trust or pledge or other lien upon any and all of the property, rights, privileges or franchises of the corporation, wheresoever situated, acquired or to be acquired; and to confer upon the holders of any debentures, bonds or other evidences of indebtedness of the corporation, secured or unsecured, the right to convert the principal thereof into any preferred common stock of the corporation, now or hereafter authorized upon such terms and conditions as shall be fixed by the Board of Directors; to sell, pledge or otherwise dispose of any or all debentures or other bonds, notes and other obligations in such manner and upon such terms as the Board of Directors may deem judicious, subject, however, to the provisions of Article III hereof.

g. To guarantee, purchase, hold, sell, assign, transfer, mortgage, pledge or otherwise dispose of the shares of the capital stock of, or any bonds secured or evidences of indebtedness created by any other corporation or corporations, and while owning said stock to exercise all the

H970000003678

rights, powers, and privileges of ownership, including the right to vote thereon.

h. To purchase, sell, and transfer shares of its own capital stock.

i. To do all and everything necessary and proper for the accomplishment of any on the purposes or the attaining of any of the objects or the furtherance of any of the powers enumerated in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment thereof, necessary or incidental to the protection and benefit of the corporation, as principal, agent, director, trustee or otherwise, and, in general, either alone or in association with other corporation, firm or individuals, to carry on any lawful business necessary or incidental to the accomplishment of the purposes or the attainment of the objects or the furtherance of such purposes or objects of the corporation, whether or not such business is similar in nature to the purposes and objects set forth in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment thereof.

The foregoing paragraphs shall be construed as enumerating both objects and powers of the Corporation; and it is hereby expressly provided that the foregoing enumeration of specified powers shall not be held to limit or restrict in any manner the powers of this Corporation.

ARTICLE IV

The maximum number of shares of stock shall be 1,000 of the par value of \$1.00 Dollars (\$1.00) per share, all of which shall be common stock. Each of the said shares of stock shall entitle the holder thereof to one vote at any meeting of the stockholders. All or any part of said stock may be paid for in cash, in property, in labor or in services at a fair evaluation to be fixed by the incorporators or by the Board of Directors at a meeting called for such purpose. All stock when issued shall be fully paid for and shall be non-assessable.

ARTICLE V

The amount of capital with which this corporation shall begin business is not less than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00).

ARTICLE VI

The principal office of the corporation shall be located at 4768 NW 167 St., Miami, FL 33014, but the corporation shall have the power to establish branch offices and other places of business at such other places within or without the State of Florida as may be determined or deemed expedient.

H970000003678

ARTICLE VII

There shall be a Board of Directors for this corporation which shall consist of not less than one (1) and not more than five (5), the number of same to be fixed by the Board of Directors or by the corporate by-laws. A quorum for the transaction of business shall be a majority of the director qualified and active, and the act of a majority of the directors present at a meeting at which a quorum is present shall be the act of the directors. Subject to the by-laws, and meetings of the directors may be held within or without the State of Florida. Directors need not be stockholders.

ARTICLE VIII

The names and post office addresses of the members of the first Board of Directors, who, subject to these Articles, the by-laws of this corporation and the laws of the State of Florida, shall hold office for the first year of the corporation's existence, or until an election is held by the stockholder for the election of permanent directors, or until their successors have been duly elected and qualified, are:

NAMES

ADDRESSES

Orlando Rodriguez

4768 NW 167 St. Miami, FL 33014

Georgina Triana

4768 NW 167 St. Miami, FL 33014

ARTICLE IX

The name (s) and address (es) of the incorporator (s) signing these Articles of Incorporation (is) (are):

NAME

ADDRESSES

Orlando Rodriguez

4768 NW 167 St. Miami, FL 33014

ARTICLE X

The following additional provisions for the regulation of the business and for the conduct of the affairs of the corporation, and creating, dividing, limiting, and regulating the power of the corporation, its stockholders and directors are hereby adopted as a part of these Articles of Incorporation.

a. No person shall be reacquired to own, hold or control stock in the corporation as a condition precedent to holding an office in this corporation.

b. The Directors may prescribe a method or methods for replacement of lost

H970000003678

certificates, and prescribe reasonable conditions by way of security upon the issue of new certificates therefor.

c. The original incorporators of the corporation shall have the right upon its organization, to assign and deliver their subscriptions of stock as set forth in Article IX hereof to any other person, or to firms or corporations who may hereafter become subscribers to the capital stock of the corporation, who, upon acceptance shall stand in lieu of the original incorporators, and assume and carry out all the rights, liabilities and duties entailed by said subscriptions, subject to the laws of the State of Florida, and the execution of the necessary instruments of assignment.

d. No contract or other transaction between the corporation and any other corporation in the absence of fraud, shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any one or more of the Directors of the corporation is or are interested in or is a director or officer or are Directors or officers of such other corporation. Any Director or Directors, individually or jointly, may be a party to or may be interested in any such contract or transaction of the corporation or in which the corporation is interested, and no contract, act or transaction of the corporation with any person or persons, firm or corporation in the absence of fraud shall be affected or invalidated by the fact that any Director or Directors of the corporation is a party or parties to or interested in such contract, act or transaction, or in any way connected with such person or persons, firm or corporation, and each and every person who may become a Director of the corporation is hereby relieved from any liability that might be otherwise exist from thus contracting with the corporation for the benefit of himself or any firm, association or corporation in which he may be in any way interested. Any Director of the corporation may vote upon any contract or other transaction between the corporation and any subsidiary or controlled company without regard to the fact that he is also a Director of such subsidiary or controlled company.

ARTICLE XI

The corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation the manner now or hereafter described by statute, and all rights conferred upon the stockholders herein are subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE XII

Each shareholder of this corporation shall have the first right to purchase shares (and

H970000003678

H970000003678

securities convertible into shares) of any class, kind or series of stock in this corporation that may from time to time be issued (whether or not presently authorized), including shares from the treasury of this corporation, in the ratio that the number of shares he holds at the time of issue bears to the total number of shares outstanding, exclusive of treasury shares. This right shall be deemed waived by any shareholder who does not exercise it and pay for the shares preempted within thirty (30) days of receipt of a notice in writing from the corporation, stating the prices, terms and conditions of the issue of shares, and inviting him to exercise his preemptive rights. This right may also be waived by affirmative written waiver submitted by the shareholder to the corporation within thirty (30) days of receipt of notice from the corporation.

ARTICLE XIII

The corporation may be empowered to indemnify any officer or director, or any former officer or director in the manner set out and provided for in the bylaws of this corporation.

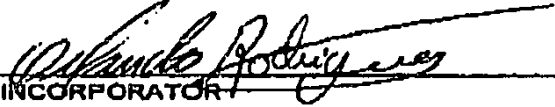
ARTICLE XIV

At a meeting of shareholders called expressly for that purpose, any one director, or the entire board of directors, may be removed, with or without cause, by a vote of the holders of 66 2/3 percent of the shares then entitled to vote at an election of directors.

ARTICLE XV

If all the directors severally or collectively consent in writing to any action taken or to be taken by the corporation, and the writings evidencing their consent are filed with the Secretary of the corporation, the action shall be as valid as though it had been authorized at a meeting of the Board of Directors.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have made and subscribed these Articles of Incorporation of Dade County, Florida, for the uses and purposes aforesaid.


INCORPORATOR
Orlando Rodriguez

H970000003678

H970000003678

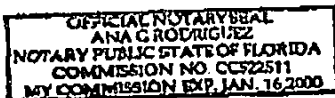
STATE OF FLORIDA
COUNTY OF DADE

On this 3rd day of March 1997, before me, the undersigned officer, personally appeared, Orlando Rodriguez known to me to be the person (s) whose name is subscribed to the within instruments, and acknowledged that he executed the same for the purposes therein contained.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and official seal.


NOTARY PUBLIC, State of Florida

My commission expires:



H970000003678

**STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF STATE**

**Certificate of Designating Place of Business or Domicile for the Service of Process
Within This State, Naming Agent Upon Whom Process May Be Served and Names and
Addresses of the Officers and Directors.**

The following is submitted, in compliance with Chapter 48.091, Florida Statutes:


Palmetto Homecare Bargain Depot, Inc., a corporation organized (or organizing)
under the laws of the State of Florida with its principal office at 4768 NW 167 St., Miami,
33014, County of Dade, State of Florida, has named Orlando Rodriguez, as its agent to
accept service of process within this State. Registered office 4768 NW 167 St. Miami, FL 33014

OFFICERS:

NAME	TITLE	SPECIFIC ADDRESS
Orlando Rodriguez	President	4768 NW 167 St., Miami, FL 33014
Georgina Triana	Secretary- Treasurer	4768 NW 167 St. Miami, FL 33014

ACCEPTANCE:

I agree as Resident Agent to accept Service of Process; to keep office open during
prescribed hours; to post my name (and any other officers of said corporation authorized to
accept service of process at the above Florida designated address) in some conspicuous place in
office as required by law.


Resident Agent
Orlando Rodriguez.