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TRANSMITTAL LETTER FOR FLORIDA CORPORATION

Department of State Division of Corporations P.O. Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314 SUUUO2340575--1 -11/06/97--01031--004 ****122.50 ****122.50

SUBJECT: American Superior Insurance Company, Inc.

(Proposed corporation name - must include suffix)

Restated

Enclosed is an original and one (1) copy of the articles of incorporation and a check for:

\$ 70.00 Filing Fee \$ 78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate \$122.50 Filing Fee & Certified Copy \$131.25 Filing Fee, Certified Copy, & Certificate

ADDITIONAL COPY REQUIRED

| FROM: _ | Robert F. Reyes | <u> </u> |
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| | Name (Printed or Typed) | · ··· |
| _ | 101 N. Gadsden Stre | eet |
| | Address | 116 |
| | Tallahassee, Florida | 32301 |
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NOTE: Please provide the original and one copy of the Articles.

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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE Sandra B. Mortham Secretary of State

November 7, 1997

ROBERT F. REYES 101 N. GADSDEN STREET TALLAHASSEE, FL 32301

SUBJECT: AMERICAN SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY

Ref. Number: P97000068864

We have received your document for AMERICAN SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY and your check(s) totaling \$122.50. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Per our phone conversation, the following corrections must be made in order to file this document:

Any amendment for a Florida insurance company must contain the endorsed approval by the Florida Department of Insurance before the amendment can be filed with this office. The address of the Florida Department of Insurance is:

Florida Department of Insurance 200 E. Gaines St. Larson Bldg. Tallahassee, FL 32399

The incorporator(s) cannot be amended or changed. Please correct your document accordingly.

A certificate must accompany the Restated Articles of Incorporation setting forth either of the following statements: (1) The restatement was adopted by the board of directors and does not contain any amendment requiring shareholder approval. OR (2) If the restatement contains an amendment requiring shareholder approval, the date of adoption of the amendment and a statement setting forth the following: (a) the number of votes cast for the amendment by the shareholders was sufficient for approval (b) If more than one voting group was entitled to vote on the amendment, a statement designating each voting group entitled to vote separately on the amendment and a statement that the number of votes cast for the amendment by the shareholders in each voting group was sufficient for approval by that voting group.

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 (850) 487-6957.

Joy Moon-French Corporate Specialist

Letter Number: 897A00053845



THE TREASURER OF THE STATE OF FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE

BILL NELSON

November 7, 1997

Richard N. Sox, Jr., Esq. GRAHAM & MOODY 101 North Gadsden Street Tallahassee, FL 32301

BY HAND DELIVERY

Re: American Superior Ins. Co. -- Restated Articles

Dear Richard:

Enclosed and stamped approved are the Restated Articles submitted to the Department today. Because the only change from the articles you previously filed with the Secretary of State is the address of the corporation, a restatement appears to be permitted under Chapter 607 and it is my understanding that that is why you have crossed out all signatures except that of the Secretary of the corporation.

In reviewing the Department's file, it appears that restated articles are substantively identical to those approved previously by Department attorney Joe DeMember. The problem appears to be that American Superior filed articles other than those previously approved by the Department. Please take care to assure that, in the future, only articles bearing the Department's approved stamp are filed with the office of the Secretary of State.

Sincerely,

John R. Dumph

cc:

Joan Hendrix

Enclosure as indicated

TREASURER • INSURANCE COMMISSIONER • FIRE MARSHAL

APPROVED INSURANCE COMMISSIONER AND TREASURER

RESTATED ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION -- .OF

AMERICAN SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY

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SECRETARY OF STATE TALLAHASSEE FLORIDA

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Legal Division

ARTICLE I

NAME

The name of the Corporation shall be American Superior Insurance Company. The principal place of business of the Corporation shall be 8669 N.W. 36th Street, Suite 100, Miami, Florida 33166.

ARTICLE II

NATURE OF BUSINESS

The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in the business of property and casualty insurance.

ARTICLE III

CAPITAL STOCK

The aggregate number of shares which the Corporation is authorized to issue is 1,000 shares of common stock. Such shares shall be of a single class and shall have a par value of \$10 per share.

The amount of paid-in capital and surplus with which the Corporation shall engage in the business of insurance shall be not less than 5,000,000. All shares of the Corporation shall be sold for lawful money of the United States or equivalent United States Government Securities; provided, however, the consideration received as surplus for any shares may also consist of any type of securities in which this Corporation would be permitted to invest under applicable law.

ARTICLE IV

TERM OF EXISTENCE

The Corporation shall exist perpetually.

ARTICLE V

REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The registered office of this Corporation shall be at 101 North Gadsden Street, Tallahassee, Florida 32301 and the initial registered agent of this Corporation at such office shall be

Richard N. Sox, Jr. who upon accepting this designation agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time, with respect to keeping an office to receive service of process from the Treasurer and Insurance Commissioner of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE VI

INCORPORATORS

The corporation shall have five (5) incorporators, all of whom are United States citizens and all of whom are over the age of eighteen. The names and resident addresses of the incorporators are:

| <u>Name</u> | <u>Address</u> |
|-------------------|--|
| William Van Meter | 435 Dock Side Drive Unit #503 Naples, Florida 34100 |
| Timothy A. Renfro | 961 Threewood Bowling Green, Kentucky 42103 |
| Louis M. Berman | 5595 Three Springs Road Bowling Green, Kentucky 42103 |
| William S. Latta | 1019 Country Club Drive Henderson, Kentucky 42420 |
| John D. Morgan | 1827 Todd Trace Court Bowling Green, Kentucky 42103 |

ARTICLE VII

DIRECTORS

SECTION 1. The Corporation shall have five (5) directors, all of whom are United States citizens and all of whom are over the age of eighteen. The names and residence street addresses of the directors, whose initial terms of office shall be for one year, are:

| <u>Name</u> | Address |
|-------------------|--|
| William Van Meter | 435 Dock Side Drive Unit #503 Naples, Florida 34100 |
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- SECTION 2. All corporate powers shall be exercised by or under the authority of the directors and the business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed and administered pursuant to the policies adopted by the directors.
- SECTION 3. The qualification, election and tenure of the directors shall be provided for in the Bylaws.
- SECTION 4. A member of the Board of Directors is not personally liable for monetary damages to any person, including but not limited to the Corporation, for any statement, vote, decision, or failure to act, regarding the management or policies of the Corporation, by such director, unless:
 - A. The director breached or failed to perform his duties as a director: and
 - B. The director's breach of or failure to perform, his duties constitutes:
 - (1) A violation of the criminal law, unless the director had reasonable cause to believe his conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe his conduct was unlawful. A final judgment or other final adjudication against a director in any criminal proceeding for violation of the criminal law estops that director from contesting the fact that his breach, or failure to perform, constitutes a violation of the criminal law; but does not estop the director from establishing that he had reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was lawful or had no reasonable cause to believe that his conduct was unlawful.
 - (2) A transaction from which the director derived an improver personal benefit, either directly or indirectly; or
 - (3) Recklessness or an act or omission which was committed in bad faith or with malicious purpose or in a manner exhibiting wanton and willful disregard of human rights, safety, or property. For purposes of these articles of incorporation, the term "recklessness" means the acting, or omission to act, in conscious disregard of a risk:
 - (a) Known, or so obvious that it should have been known, to the director; and

(b) Known to the director, or so obvious that it should have been known, to be so great as to make it highly probable that harm would follow from such action or omission.

SECTION 5. Directors may be removed by the stockholders with or without cause.

ARTICLE VIII

INDEMNIFICATION

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 IX

PARTICIPATING POLICIES

Pursuant to section 628.361, Florida Statutes, as amended from time to time, the Corporation may issue any or all of its policies with or without participation in profits, savings, or unabsorbed portions of premiums, may classify policies issued on a participating or non-participating basis, and may determine the right to participate and the extent of participation of any class or classes of policies.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused the Incorporators to execute these Articles of Incorporation this 6000 day of 8000 8000, 1997.

AMERICAN SUPERIOR INSURANCE COMPANY

William Van Meter, Incorporator

STATE OF COUNTY OF

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5th day of /them/ver/, 1997 by William Van Meter, Incorporator, who is personally known to me or who has produced ______

as identification and who did (did not) take an oath.

(SEAL)

Notary Public

Kay T. Crain
MY COMMISSION # CC624998 EXPIRES
February 26, 2001
BONDED THRU TROY FAIN INSURANCE, INC.

| STATE OF Destucting COUNTY OF Warren |
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| The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5 day of Novery , 1997 by Timothy A. Renfro, Incorporator, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification and who did (did not) take an oath. |
| (SEAL) Notary Public |
| STATE OF COUNTY OF Warren |
| The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 5 day of 1900 touis M. Berman, Incorporator, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification and who did (did not) take an oath. |
| (SEAL) Notary Public |
| * * * * * William & Latta William & Latta, Incorporator |
| STATE OF Sectucky COUNTY OF Warren |
| The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this odd you william S. Latta, Incorporator, who is personally known to me or who has produced as identification and who did (did not) take an oath. |
| (SEAL) Notary Public Massey |

CERTIFICATE

The foregoing Restated Articles of Incorporation were adopted by the Directors without Shareholder action and Shareholder action was not required.

Signed this 5^{th} day of November, 1997.

Timothy A. Renfr

Incorporator/Vice Chairman of Board

of Directors