

Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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December 1, 1997

RE: TRANSMITTAL LETTER  
Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., P.A.

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Dear sir or madam:

Enclosed you will find an original and two copies of the Articles of Incorporation for the following corporation:

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., P.A.

Additionally, you will find a check in the amount of \$131.25, covering the filing fee, fee for certified copy of the Articles, and a certificate.

Please use the following address for all communications:

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.  
15 Phoenetia, #402  
Coral Gables, FL 33134  
(305)448-4665

Kindest regards,

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., Esq.

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## **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OF EDWIN E. HIGHTOWER, JR., P.A.**

The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation, a natural person competent to contract and legally authorized to practice the profession of Attorney at Law in the State of Florida, hereby proceeds to form a professional corporation in accordance with the Florida Professional Service Corporation Act, and hereby adopts the following Articles of Incorporation for such corporation.

### **Article I. NAME**

The name of this corporation is Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., P.A.

### **Article II. PURPOSE AND NATURE OF BUSINESS**

The purpose of the Corporation and the nature of its business are as follows:

Section 2.01 To engage in the practice of law as a professional service corporation and to provide services incident thereto.

Section 2.02 To own property, enter into contracts and carry on any activity necessary or incidental to the accomplishment or furtherance of the purpose of this Corporation.

Section 2.03 The services of this Corporation which consist of the practice of law shall be carried out only through officers, employees and agents who are active members of the Florida Bar in good standing and licensed to practice law in the state of Florida.

Section 2.04 To do everything necessary, proper or convenient for the accomplishment of any of the purposes herein set forth, and to do every other act incidental thereto which is not forbidden by the laws of the State of Florida, by the Rules of Conduct Regulating the Florida Bar or by the provisions of these Articles of Incorporation.

### **Article III. CAPITAL STOCK**

The maximum number of shares of stock that the Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any one time is 100 shares having a par value of \$1.00 per share. Such shares shall be of a single class of common stock. None of the shares of the Corporation may be issued to anyone other than an individual who is duly licensed to practice law in the State of Florida and is an active member of the Florida Bar in good standing.

### **Article IV. DURATION**

The Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

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## Article V. ADDRESS AND AGENT

The street address of the principal and initial registered office of the Corporation is 3020 NW 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor, Lauderdale Lakes, Florida, 33311, and the name of the initial registered agent is Edwin E. Hightower, Jr. The Board of Directors may from time to time move the office to any other address in the State of Florida and change the registered agent.

## Article VI. DIRECTORS

The Corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors of at least one (1) Director. No person shall serve as a Director of the Corporation unless the person is duly licensed to practice law and is an active member of the Florida Bar in good standing. The Directors shall be elected by the shareholders of the Corporation. The name and street address of each person who is to serve as a member of the initial Board of Directors is as follows:

Name:

Address:

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.

15 Phoenetia, # 402, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

## Article VII. SUBSCRIBERS

The names and addresses of the subscribers, who are the incorporators of this Corporation, each of whom is duly licensed to practice law in the State of Florida, are as follows:

Name:

Address:

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.

15 Phoenetia, #402, Coral Gables, Florida 33134

## Article VIII. RESTRAINT ON ALIENATION

No shareholder may sell or transfer his shares in the Corporation except to another individual who is eligible to be a shareholder of the Corporation under Florida law.

## Article IX. DISQUALIFICATION

If any officer, shareholder, agent or employee of the Corporation who has been rendering professional service to the public for the Corporation becomes legally disqualified to render such professional services within Florida or accepts employment that places restrictions or limitations upon his or her continued rendering of such professional services, then the Corporation shall require him or her to comply with the Florida Professional Service Corporation Act by severing all employment with and financial interests in the Corporation.

## Article X. AMENDMENT

These Articles of Incorporation may be amended in the manner provided by law.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned subscriber has executed these Articles of Incorporation this the 1<sup>st</sup> day of December, 1997.

  
Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.

STATE OF FLORIDA       }  
COUNTY OF BROWARD    }

BEFORE ME, personally appeared Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., to me well known and known to me to be the person described in and who executed the foregoing, and acknowledged to and before me that he executed said instrument for the purposes therein expressed.

WITNESS my hand and official seal, this the 1 day of December, A.D., 1997, in the aforesaid County and State.

  
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NOTARY PUBLIC

My commission expires:

12, 19, 2000

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Michael Manáuelo  
My Commission CC602251  
Expires December 19, 2000

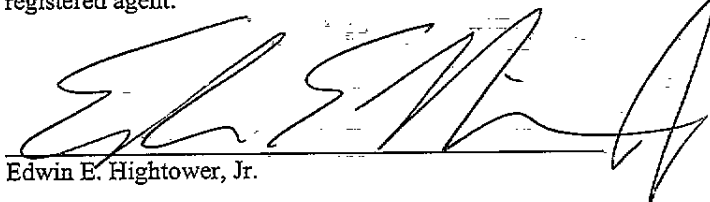
## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT /REGISTERED OFFICE

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 607.0501 or 617.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned Corporation, organized under the laws of the State of Florida, submits the following statement in designating the Registered Office/Registered Agent, in the State of Florida.

1. The name of the corporation is: Edwin E. Hightower, Jr., P.A.
2. The name and address of the registered agent and office is:

Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.  
3020 NW 33<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, 2<sup>nd</sup> Floor  
Lauderdale Lakes, Florida 33311

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this certificate. I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.



Edwin E. Hightower, Jr.

November 26, 1997

