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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Sandra B. Mortham
Secretary of State

July 14, 1998

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343 ALMERIA AVENUE
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SUBJECT: BANKS, BENTLEY & CROSS, INC.
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We have received your document for BANKS, BENTLEY & CROSS, INC..
However, the document has not been filed and is being returned for the following:

Written approval and clearance of the terms BANK, BANKER, BANC, BANKING,
TRUST COMPANY, BANCSHARES, SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION,
SAVINGS BANK, or CREDIT UNION must be obtained from the Division of
Banking and Finance, pursuant to section 655.922(2a), Florida Statutes. The
address is:

Division of Banking
Director's Office
101 E. Gaines St.
Fletcher Bldg., 6th Floor.
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0350
(850) 488-1111.

Please return the original and one copy of your document, along with a copy of
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32399-0350

July 27, 1998

Jeffrey A. Dowd
Attorney at Law
AmeriLawyer
Post Office Box 143746
Coral Gables, FL 33114-3746

Dear Mr. Dowd:

Re: "Banks, Bentley & Cross, Inc."

Thank you for your recent letter/fax requesting approval for use of the above-referenced name. It is the opinion of this Department that your name is definitive enough to differentiate the business being conducted from that of a commercial bank or trust company. Therefore, the Department does not object to your use of the above-referenced name being registered to conduct business in the State of Florida.

Sincerely,

Doug Johnson
RR

Wm. Douglas Johnson
Assistant Director
Division of Banking
101 East Gaines Street
The Fletcher Building - Sixth Floor
Tallahassee, FL 32399-0350
(850) 414-8058

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cc: Karon Beyer, Chief
Bureau of Corporate Records
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ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
BANKS, BENTLEY & CROSS, INC.

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The undersigned subscriber to these Articles of Incorporation is a natural person competent to contract and hereby form a Corporation for profit under Chapter 607 of the Florida Statutes.

ARTICLE 1 - NAME

The name of the Corporation is **BANKS, BENTLEY & CROSS, INC.**, (hereinafter, "Corporation").

ARTICLE 2 - PURPOSE OF CORPORATION

The Corporation shall engage in any activity or business permitted under the laws of the United States and of the State of Florida.

ARTICLE 3 - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The address of the principal office of this Corporation is 2100 Constitution Boulevard, suite 133, Sarasota, Florida 34231 and the mailing address is the same.

ARTICLE 4 - INCORPORATOR

The name and street address of the incorporator of this Corporation is:

Elsie Sanchez
343 Almeria Avenue
Coral Gables, Florida 33134

ARTICLE 5 - OFFICERS

The officers of the Corporation shall be:

President:	K.L. Bergeron
Vice-President:	E. Wayne Cobb
Secretary:	E. Wayne Cobb
Treasurer:	K.L. Bergeron

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.



ARTICLE 6 - DIRECTOR(S)

The Director(s) of the Corporation shall be:

K.L. Bergeron
E. Wayne Cobb

whose addresses shall be the same as the principal office of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 7 - CORPORATE CAPITALIZATION

7.1 The maximum number of shares that this Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time is **SEVEN THOUSAND FIVE HUNDRED (7,500)** shares of common stock, each share having the par value of **ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00)**.

7.2 No holder of shares of stock of any class shall have any preemptive right to subscribe to or purchase any additional shares of any class, or any bonds or convertible securities of any nature; provided, however, that the Board of Director(s) may, in authorizing the issuance of shares of stock of any class, confer any preemptive right that the Board of Director(s) may deem advisable in connection with such issuance.

7.3 The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation may authorize the issuance from time to time of shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, or securities convertible into shares of its stock of any class, whether now or hereafter authorized, for such consideration as the Board of Director(s) may deem advisable, subject to such restrictions or limitations, if any, as may be set forth in the bylaws of the Corporation.

7.4 The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation may, by Restated Articles of Incorporation, classify or reclassify any unissued stock from time to time by setting or changing the preferences, conversions or other rights, voting powers, restrictions, limitations as to dividends, qualifications, or term or conditions of redemption of the stock.



ARTICLE 8 - SHAREHOLDERS' RESTRICTIVE AGREEMENT

All of the shares of stock of this Corporation may be subject to a Shareholders' Restrictive Agreement containing numerous restrictions on the rights of shareholders of the Corporation and transferability of the shares of stock of the Corporation. A copy of the Shareholders' Restrictive Agreement, if any, is on file at the principal office of the Corporation.

ARTICLE 9 - POWERS OF CORPORATION

The Corporation shall have the same powers as an individual to do all things necessary or convenient to carry out its business and affairs, subject to any limitations or restrictions imposed by applicable law or these Articles of Incorporation.

ARTICLE 10 - TERM OF EXISTENCE

This Corporation shall have perpetual existence.

ARTICLE 11 - REGISTERED OWNER(S)

The Corporation, to the extent permitted by law, shall be entitled to treat the person in whose name any share or right is registered on the books of the Corporation as the owner thereto, for all purposes, and except as may be agreed in writing by the Corporation, the Corporation shall not be bound to recognize any equitable or other claim to, or interest in, such share or right on the part of any other person, whether or not the Corporation shall have notice thereof.

ARTICLE 12 - REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT

The initial address of registered office of this Corporation is AmeriLawyer®, located at 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134. The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is AmeriLawyer®, 343 Almeria Avenue, Coral Gables, Florida 33134.



ARTICLE 13 - BYLAWS

The Board of Director(s) of the Corporation shall have power, without the assent or vote of the shareholders, to make, alter, amend or repeal the Bylaws of the Corporation, but the affirmative vote of a number of Directors equal to a majority of the number who would constitute a full Board of Director(s) at the time of such action shall be necessary to take any action for the making, alteration, amendment or repeal of the Bylaws.

ARTICLE 14 - EFFECTIVE DATE

These Articles of Incorporation shall be effective immediately upon approval of the Secretary of State, State of Florida.

ARTICLE 15 - AMENDMENT

The Corporation reserves the right to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, or in any amendment hereto, or to add any provision to these Articles of Incorporation or to any amendment hereto, in any manner now or hereafter prescribed or permitted by the provisions of any applicable statute of the State of Florida, and all rights conferred upon shareholders in these Articles of Incorporation or any amendment hereto are granted subject to this reservation.

ARTICLE 16 - INDEMNIFICATION

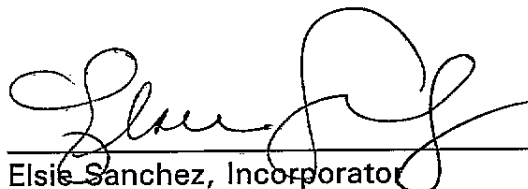
The Corporation shall indemnify a director or officer of the Corporation who was wholly successful, on the merits or otherwise, in the defense of any proceeding to which the director or officer was a party because the director or officer is or was a director or officer of the Corporation against reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by the director or officer in connection with the proceeding. The Corporation may indemnify an individual made a party to a proceeding because the individual is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation against liability if authorized in the specific case after determination, in the manner required by the board of directors, that indemnification of the director, officer, employee or agent, as the case may be, is permissible in the circumstances because the director, officer, employee or agent has met the standard of conduct set forth by the board of



directors. The indemnification and advancement of attorney fees and expenses for directors, officers, employees and agents of the Corporation shall apply when such persons are serving at the Corporation's request while a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, as the case may be, as a director, officer, partner, trustee, employee or agent of another foreign or domestic Corporation, partnership, joint venture, trust, employee benefit plan or other enterprise, whether or not for profit, as well as in their official capacity with the Corporation. The Corporation also may pay for or reimburse the reasonable attorney fees and expenses incurred by a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation who is a party to a proceeding in advance of final disposition of the proceeding. The Corporation also may purchase and maintain insurance on behalf of an individual arising from the individual's status as a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation, whether or not the Corporation would have power to indemnify the individual against the same liability under the law. All references in these Articles of Incorporation are deemed to include any amendment or successor thereto. Nothing contained in these Articles of Incorporation shall limit or preclude the exercise of any right relating to indemnification or advance of attorney fees and expenses to any person who is or was a director, officer, employee or agent of the Corporation or the ability of the Corporation otherwise to indemnify or advance expenses to any such person by contract or in any other manner. If any word, clause or sentence of the foregoing provisions regarding indemnification or advancement of the attorney fees or expenses shall be held invalid as contrary to law or public policy, it shall be severable and the provisions remaining shall not be otherwise affected. All references in these Articles of Incorporation to "director", "officer", "employee" and "agent" shall include the heirs, estates, executors, administrators and personal representatives of such persons.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, acknowledged
and filed the foregoing Articles of Incorporation under the laws of the State of Florida,
this JUL 30 1998.

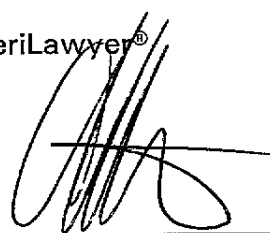


Elsie Sanchez, Incorporator

ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT DESIGNATED
IN ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

AmeriLawyer®, having a business office identical with the registered office of
the Corporation name above, and having been designated as the Registered Agent in
the above and foregoing Articles of Incorporation, is familiar with and accepts the
obligations of the position of Registered Agent under the applicable provisions of the
Florida Statutes.

AmeriLawyer®

By: 

Natalia Utrera, Vice President

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