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Secretary of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, Florida 32314 200002703172--1 -12/04/98--01056--012 \*\*\*\*\*70.00 \*\*\*\*\*\*70.00

RE: Strickland & Strickland Private Investigators, Inc.

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed you will find the original Articles of Incorporation for the above styled corporation along with my firm's check in the amount of \$70.00 representing your fee for filing same.

Please do not hesitate to give my office a call if you have any questions or comments.

Very truly yours,

R. PATRICK MIRK, P.A.

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DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

#### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

**OF** 

# STRICKLAND & STRICKLAND PRIVATE INVESTIGATORS, INC.

#### ARTICLE I - NAME

The name of this Corporation is Strickland & Strickland Private Investigators, Inc.

### **ARTICLE II - DURATION**

The Corporation shall have a perpetual existence.

#### ARTICLE III - PURPOSE

The purpose of this Corporation is to engage in any activities or business permitted under the Laws of the United States and Florida.

#### <u>ARTICLE IV - CAPITAL STOCK</u>

The maximum number of shares which this Corporation is authorized to have outstanding at any time is 1000 shares of common stock having a par value of \$1.00 per share.

#### ARTICLE V - PRINCIPAL OFFICE

The principal office of this Corporation shall be 1637 Cleveland Street, Clearwater, Florida 33755. The mailing address is P.O. Box 6665, Clearwater, Florida 33758.

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# ARTICLE VI - INITIAL REGISTERED AGENT

The initial Registered Agent of this Corporation shall be

JAMES E. STRICKLAND, 1637 Cleveland St., Clearwater, FL 33755,

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 open for service

of process.

# <u>ARTICLE VII - BOARD OF DIRECTORS</u>

The initial Board of Directors shall consist of 2 members. The number of directors may be increased or decreased from time to time by vote of the stockholders, but in no case shall the number of directors be less than 2. The names and addresses of the directors constituting the initial Board of Directors are:

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Elizabeth R. Cruickshank

James E. Strickland

#### ADDRESS

1637 Cleveland Street Clearwater, Florida 33755

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# ARTICLE VIII - INCORPORATOR

The name and mailing address of the person signing these Articles of Incorporation is:

NAME

ADDRESS

James E. Strickland

Post Office Box 6665 Clearwater, Florida 33758

# ARTICLE IX - CUMULATIVE VOTING

Shareholders of this Corporation may vote their stocks cumulatively. Each shareholder shall have the total number of votes which is equal to the number of shares of stock with voting rights which such shareholder holds multiplied by the number of directors to be elected. The shareholder may give all of their votes to one candidate or distribute them among as many candidates as the shareholder may wish. Notice must be given by any shareholder to the President or Vice President of the corporation not less than 24 hours prior to the time set for the holding of a shareholders meeting for the election of directors that such shareholder intends to cumulate his vote as said election.

# ARTICLE X - PREEMPTIVE RIGHTS

The holders of the common stock of this corporation shall have preemptive rights to purchase, at prices, terms and conditions that shall be fixed by the Board of Directors, those shares of the common stock of this corporation which may be issued from time to time for money, property or past services in addition to that stock authorized and issued by the corporation. The preemptive right of any holder is determined by the ratio of the authorized and issue shares of commons stock held by the holder and all shares of common stock currently authorized and issued.

STATE OF FLORIDA

COUNTY OF HILLSBOROUGH

The foregoing Articles of Incorporation of Strickland & Strickland Private Investigators, Inc., were acknowledged before me this 1944 day of November, 1998 by James E. Strickland, as Incorporator.

NOTARY PUBLIC

My Commission Expires:

BARBARA J. GIBSON Notary Public, State of Florida My comm. expires Feb. 18, 1999 No. CC437261 Bonded By Troy Fain Ins. Co.

# ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT

Having been named to accept service of process for Strickland & Strickland Private Investigators, Inc., at the place designated in the Articles of Incorporation, James E. Strickland agrees to act in this capacity, and agrees to comply with the provisions of Section 48.091 relative to keeping open such office.

Dated: 11/19/98

AMES E. STRICKLAND

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