

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

GILBERT, WHITTLE, HARRELL, SCARLETT & SKELTON, P.C.

I.

The name of the corporation is GILBERT, WHITTLE, HARRELL, SCARLETT & SKELTON, P.C.

II.

The corporation is organized pursuant to the provisions of the Georgia Business Corporation Code and the corporation elects to be governed by the provisions of the Georgia Professional Corporation Act.

III.

The corporation shall have perpetual duration.

IV.

The corporation is a corporation for profit and is organized for the purpose of engaging in the practice of law and to do any and all acts and things necessary, convenient, expedient and ancillary or in aid to the accomplishment of the foregoing. The corporation shall engage in the practice of the profession of law only through its officers, employees and agents who are duly licensed or otherwise legally authorized to practice the profession of law in the State of Georgia.

V.

The corporation shall have the authority to issue not more than 100,000 shares of common stock and all such shares shall have \$100.00 par value.

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VI.

The shares of the corporation shall only be issued to, held by, or transferred to a person who is licensed in Georgia to practice the profession of law, and who, unless disabled, is actively engaged in such practice, except as otherwise permitted under the provisions of the Georgia Professional Corporation Act, and each share certificate of the corporation shall be appropriately endorsed disclosing this restriction and stating that shares standing in the name of a retired person or of a person disqualified to practice the profession of law, or in the name of the personal representative of a deceased person, except during the holding period provided by the provisions of the Georgia Professional Corporation Act, are void.

VII.

The corporation shall not commence business until consideration of not less than \$500.00 has been received in payment for the issuance of shares of stock.

VIII.

The initial registered agent of the corporation is Rees M. Sumerford and the address of the registered office of the corporation is 777 Gloucester Street, Suite 200, Brunswick, Georgia 31520. *Glynn*

IX.

The initial board of directors shall consist of four (4) members who are: Wallace E. Harrell, 166 St. Clair Drive, St. Simons Island, Georgia 31522; Ralph T. Skelton, Jr., 2228 Bruce

Drive, St. Simons Island, Georgia 31522; James B. Gilbert, Jr.,  
207 Wymberly Drive, St. Simons Island, Georgia 31522; and Rees  
M. Sumerford, 209 Hermitage Way, St. Simons Island, Georgia  
31522.

X.

All decisions made by the initial Board of Directors or by  
any subsequent Board of Directors relating wholly to  
professional considerations concerning the practice of law  
shall be made only by those members of the Board of Directors  
who are licensed to practice the profession of law in Georgia,  
and such decision by the members of the Board of Directors so  
licensed shall be the act of the Board of Directors.

XI.

At least one member of the Board of Directors and the  
President of the corporation shall be licensed in Georgia to  
practice the profession of law.

XII.

The name and address of the incorporator is Rees M.  
Sumerford, 777 Gloucester Street, Suite 200, Brunswick, Georgia  
31520.

  
Incorporator

REES M. SUMERFORD  
INCORPORATOR  
STATE OF GEORGIA

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ARTICLES OF AMENDMENT  
TO THE  
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OF  
GILBERT, WHITTLE, HARRELL, SCARLETT & SKELTON, P.C.

I.

The name of the corporation is GILBERT, WHITTLE, HARRELL  
SCARLETT & SKELTON, P.C.

II.

Effective the date hereof, Article I of the Articles of  
Incorporation of Gilbert, Whittle, Harrell, Scarlett & Skelton  
P.C. is amended to read as follows:

The name of the corporation is GILBERT,  
HARRELL, SKELTON, GILBERT, SUMERFORD & MARTIN, P.C.  
All other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation shall  
remain in full force and effect.

III.

The date of the adoption of the amendment was April 25,  
1990.

IV.

This amendment was duly approved by the shareholders in  
accordance with the provisions of Section 14-2-1003 of the  
Georgia Business Corporation Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officers, this 2<sup>nd</sup> day of April, 1990.

GILBERT, WHITTLE, HARRELL,  
SCARLETT & SKELTON, P.C.

By: *Rees M. Sumerford*  
Rees M. Sumerford, President

CORPORATE SEAL

ATTEST:

By: *Patricia S. Keene*  
Patricia S. Keene, Secretary

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& Martin, P.C. is amended to read as follows:

The name of the corporation is GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT,  
SUMERFORD & MARTIN, P.C.

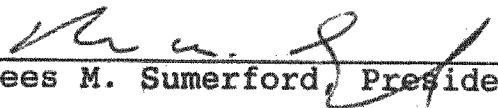
All other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation  
shall remain in full force and effect.

III.  
The date of the adoption of the amendment was February 28,  
1991.

IV.  
This amendment was duly approved by the shareholders in  
accordance with the provisions of Section 14-2-1003 of the  
Georgia Business Corporation Code.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officers this 28th day of February, 1991.

GILBERT, HARRELL, SKELTON,  
GILBERT, SUMERFORD & MARTIN, P.C.

By:   
Rees M. Sumerford, President

CORPORATE SEAL

ATTEST:   
By: Patricia S. Keene, Secretary

**Secretary of State**  
**Corporations Division**  
**315 West Tower**  
**#2 Martin Luther King, Jr. Dr.**  
**Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530**

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REES M. SUMERFORD  
GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT, ET AL  
P.O. BOX 190  
BRUNSWICK, GA 315210190

**CERTIFICATE OF NAME CHANGE AMENDMENT**

I, Cathy Cox, the Secretary of State and the Corporations Commissioner of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that

**GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT, SUMERFORD & MARTIN, P.C.**  
**A PROFESSIONAL CORPORATION**

has filed articles of amendment in the Office of the Secretary of State changing its name to

**GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT, SUMERFORD, MARTIN & GREGG, P.C.**

and has paid the required fees as provided by Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated. Attached hereto is a true and correct copy of said articles of amendment.

WITNESS my hand and official seal in the City of Atlanta and the State of Georgia on the date set forth above.



*Handwritten signature and initials*

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All other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation shall remain in full force and effect.

III.

The date of the adoption of the amendment was April 4, 2000.

IV.

This amendment was duly approved by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of Section 14-2-1002 of the Georgia Business Corporation Code. Shareholder approval was not required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officers this 4<sup>th</sup> of April, 2000.

GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT,  
SUMERFORD & MARTIN, P.C.

By: [Signature]  
Rees M. Sumerford, President

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All other provisions of the Articles of Incorporation shall remain in full force and effect.

III.

The date of the adoption of the amendment was September 5, 2001. The effective date of this amendment shall be September 15, 2001.

IV.

This amendment was duly approved by the Board of Directors in accordance with the provisions of Section 14-2-1002 of the Georgia Business Corporation Code. Shareholder approval was not required.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Corporation has caused these Articles of Amendment to be executed and attested by its duly authorized officers this 5th of September, 2001.

GILBERT, HARRELL, GILBERT,  
SUMERFORD, MARTIN & GREGG, P.C.

By: [Signature]  
Rees M. Sumerford, President

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**Secretary of State**  
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HESS W. SUMERFORD  
P.O. BOX 120  
ADWELTON, GA 31571-0120

**CERTIFICATE OF NAME CHANGE AMENDMENT**

I, Carhy Cox, the Secretary of State and the Corporations Commissioner of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that

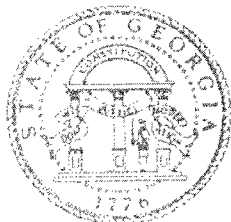
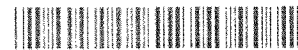
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Carhy Cox  
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By: [Signature]  
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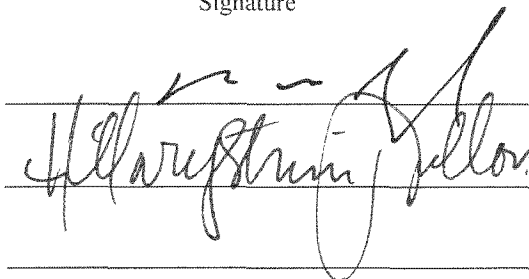
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CORPORATE SEAL

ATTEST  
By: [Signature]  
Patricia S. Keene, Secretary

**EXECUTION**

In accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1746, and subject to the penalties of 18 U.S.C. § 1001 and 22 U.S.C. § 618, the undersigned swears or affirms under penalty of perjury that he/she has read the information set forth in this statement filed pursuant to the Foreign Agents Registration Act of 1938, as amended, 22 U.S.C. § 611 *et seq.*, that he/she is familiar with the contents thereof, and that such contents are in their entirety true and accurate to the best of his/her knowledge and belief.

Date	Printed Name	Signature
8/10/22	Rees M. Sumerford	
8/10/22	Hillary S. Stringfellow	