

# State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations Office of the Secretary of State

Fee: \$230.00

Corporations Division 148 W. River Street Providence, Rhode Island 02904-2615 Telephone: (401) 222-3040

## Business Corporation Articles of Incorporation

(Chapter 7-1.2- of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

#### ARTICLE I

The name of the corporation is Eastern Wire Creations, Inc.

X This is a close corporation pursuant to § 7-1.2-1701 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended. (Uncheck if inapplicable.)

#### **ARTICLE II**

The total number of shares which the corporation has authority to issue is: (Unless otherwise stated all authorized shares are deemed to have a nominal or par value of \$0.01 per share.)

		Total Authorized Shares
Class of Stock	Par Value Per Share	Number of Shares
CNP	\$0.00	8,000.00

A statement of all or any of the designations and the powers, preferences, and rights, including voting rights, and the qualifications, limitations, or restrictions of them, which are permitted by the provisions of Chapter 7-1.2 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, in respect of any class or classes of shares of the corporation and the fixing of which by the articles of association is desired, and an express grant of the authority as it may then be desired to grant to the board of directors to fix by vote or votes any of them that may be desired but which is not fixed by the articles:

#### **ARTICLE III**

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the initial registered office of the corporation is:

No. and Street: 55 DORRANCE STREET

**SUITE 200** 

City or Town: PROVIDENCE State: RI Zip: 02903

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is <u>JAMES O. REAVIS, ESQ.</u>

#### **ARTICLE IV**

The corporation has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business, and shall have perpetual existence until dissolved or terminated in accordance with Chapter 7-1.2.

#### **ARTICLE V**

Additional provisions, if any, not inconsistent with Chapter 7-1.2 which the incorporators elect to have set forth

in these Articles of Incorporation:

## PROVISIONS FOR THE REGULATION OF THE INTERNAL AFFAIRS OF THE CORPORATION:

(A) A DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT BE PERSONALLY LIABLE TO THE CORPORATION OR ITS SHAREHOLDERS FOR MONETARY DAMAGES FOR BREACH OF THE DIRECTOR'S DUTY AS A DIRECTOR, EXCEPT FOR (I) LIABILITY FOR ANY BREACH OF THE DIRECTOR'S DUTY OF LOYALTY TO THE CORPORATION OR ITS SHAREHOLDERS, (II) LIABILITY FOR ACTS OR OMISSIONS NOT IN GOOD FAITH OR WHICH INVOLVE INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT OR A KNOWING VIOLATION OF LAW, (III) LIABILITY IMPOSED PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 43 OF THE RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT, AS AMENDED, (THE "ACT"), OR (IV) LIABILITY FOR ANY TRANSACTION (OTHER THAN TRANSACTIONS APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 37.1 OF THE ACT) FROM WHICH THE DIRECTOR DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL BENEFIT. IF THE ACT IS AMENDED TO AUTHORIZE CORPORATE ACTION FURTHER ELIMINATING OR LIMITING THE PERSONAL LIABILITY OF THE DIRECTORS, THEN THE LIABILITY OF A DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION SHALL BE ELIMINATED OR LIMITED TO THE FULLEST EXTENT SO PERMITTED. ANY REPEAL OR MODIFICATION OF THIS PROVISION BY THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT ADVERSELY AFFECT ANY RIGHT OR PROTECTION OR A DIRECTOR OF THE CORPORATION EXISTING PRIOR TO SUCH REPEAL OR MODIFICATION.

(B) THE DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION MAY INCLUDE PROVISIONS IN THE CORPORATION'S BY-LAWS, OR MAY AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO WITH EACH DIRECTOR, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR OTHER AGENT OF THE CORPORATION (AN "INDEMNIFIED PERSON"), FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDEMNIFYING AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON IN THE MANNER AND TO THE EXTENT PERMITTED BY THE ACT.

IN ADDITION TO THE AUTHORITY CONFERRED UPON THE DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION BY THE FOREGOING PARAGRAPH, THE DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION MAY INCLUDE PROVISIONS IN ITS BY-LAWS, OR MAY AUTHORIZE AGREEMENT TO BE ENTERED INTO WITH EACH INDEMNIFIED PERSON, FOR THE PURPOSE OF INDEMNIFYING SUCH PERSON IN THE MANNER AND TO THE EXTENT PROVIDED HEREIN:

(I) THE BY-LAWS OR AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED HEREBY MAY PROVIDE THAT, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, THE CORPORATION SHALL ON BEHALF OF AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON PAY ANY LOSS OR EXPENSES ARISING FROM ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS WHICH ARE MADE AGAINST THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON (WHETHER INDIVIDUALLY OR JOINTLY WITH ANOTHER INDEMNIFIED PERSON OR PERSONS) BY REASON OF ANY COVERED ACT OF THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON.

### (II) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS ARTICLE, WHEN USED HEREIN

- (1) "DIRECTORS" MEANS ANY OR ALL OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE CORPORATION OR THOSE ONE OR MORE SHAREHOLDERS OR OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE EXERCISING ANY POWERS NORMALLY VESTED IN THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS;
- (2) "LOSS" MEANS ANY AMOUNT WHICH AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON IS LEGALLY OBLIGATED TO PAY FOR ANY CLAIM FOR COVERED ACTS AND SHALL INCLUDE,

WITHOUT BEING LIMITED TO, DAMAGES, SETTLEMENTS, FINES, PENALTIES OR, WITH RESPECT TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS, EXCISE TAXES;

- (3) "EXPENSES" MEANS ANY EXPENSES INCURRED IN CONNECTION WITH THE DEFENSE AGAINST ANY CLAIM FOR COVERED ACTS, INCLUDING, WITHOUT BEING LIMITED TO, LEGAL, ACCOUNTING OR INVESTIGATIVE FEES AND EXPENSES OR BONDS NECESSARY TO PURSUE AN APPEAL OF AN ADVERSE JUDGMENT; AND
- (4) "COVERED ACT" MEANS ANY ACT OR OMISSION OF AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON IN THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON'S OFFICIAL CAPACITY WITH THE CORPORATION AND WHILE SERVING AS SUCH OR WHILE SERVING AT THE REQUEST OF THE CORPORATION AS A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BODY, OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF ANOTHER CORPORATION, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO CORPORATIONS WHICH ARE SUBSIDIARIES OR AFFILIATES OF THE CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, JOINT VENTURE, TRUST, OTHER ENTERPRISE OR EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN.
- (III) THE BY-LAW PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED HEREBY MAY COVER LOSS OR EXPENSES ARISING FROM ANY CLAIMS MADE AGAINST A RETIRED INDEMNIFIED PERSON, THE ESTATE, HEIRS OR LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF A DECEASED INDEMNIFIED PERSON OR THE LEGAL REPRESENTATIVE OF AN INCOMPETENT, INSOLVENT OR BANKRUPT INDEMNIFIED PERSON, WHERE THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON WAS AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON AT THE TIME THE COVERED ACT UPON WHICH SUCH CLAIMS ARE BASED OCCURRED.
- (IV) ANY BY-LAW PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENT AUTHORIZED HEREBY MAY PROVIDE FOR THE ADVANCEMENT OF EXPENSES TO AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON PRIOR TO THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF ANY ACTION, SUIT OR PROCEEDING, OR ANY APPEAL THEREFROM, INVOLVING SUCH INDEMNIFIED PERSON AND BASED ON THE ALLEGED COMMISSION BY SUCH INDEMNIFIED PERSON OF A COVERED ACT, SUBJECT TO AN UNDERTAKING BY OR ON BEHALF OF SUCH INDEMNIFIED PERSON TO REPAY THE SAME TO THE CORPORATION IF THE COVERED ACT INVOLVES A CLAIM FOR WHICH INDEMNIFICATION IS NOT PERMITTED UNDER CLAUSE (V), BELOW, AND THE FINAL DISPOSITION OF SUCH ACTION, SUIT, PROCEEDING OR APPEAL RESULTS IN AN ADJUDICATION ADVERSE TO SUCH INDEMNIFIED PERSON.
- (V) THE BY-LAW PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED HEREBY MAY NOT INDEMNIFY AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON FROM AND AGAINST ANY LOSS, AND THE CORPORATION SHALL NOT REIMBURSE FOR ANY EXPENSES, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS MADE AGAINST AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON WHICH THE CORPORATION HAS DETERMINED TO HAVE RESULTED FROM (1) ANY BREACH OF THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON'S DUTY OF LOYALTY TO THE CORPORATION OR ITS SHAREHOLDERS; (2) ACTS AND OMISSIONS NOT IN GOOD FAITH OR WHICH INVOLVE INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT OR KNOWING VIOLATION OF LAW; (3) ACTION CONTRAVENING SECTION 43 OF THE ACT; OR (4) A TRANSACTION (OTHER THAN A TRANSACTION APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 37.1 OF THE ACT) FROM WHICH THE PERSON SEEKING INDEMNIFICATION DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL BENEFIT.

The name and address of the each incorporator is:

Title	Individual Name	Address
	First, Middle, Last, Suffix	Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	MARCUS I. HOWELL	55 DORRANCE STREET, SUITE 200 PROVIDENCE, RI 02903 USA

#### **ARTICLE VII**

These Articles of Incorportion shall be effective upon filing unless a specified date is provided which shall be no later than the 90th day after the date of this filing.

Later Effective Date:

**Signed this 9 Day of June, 2009 at 11:36:38 AM by the incorporator(s).** This electronic signature of the individual or individuals signing this instrument constitutes the affirmation or acknowledgement of the signatory, under penalties of perjury, that this instrument is that individual's act and deed or the act and deed of the corporation, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-1.2.

### MARCUS I. HOWELL

Form No. 100 Revised 09/07

 $\ensuremath{@}$  2007 - 2009 State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations All Rights Reserved