



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

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Division Of Business Services  
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**Limited Liability Company  
Articles of Organization**

(Chapter 7-16-6 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, 1956, as amended)

**ARTICLE I**

The name of the limited liability company is: VBS, LLC

**ARTICLE II**

The street address (post office boxes are not acceptable) of the limited liability company's registered agent in Rhode Island is:

No. and Street: 2 HARWOOD ROAD

City or Town: EAST GREENWICH

State: RI

Zip: 02818

The name of the resident agent at such address is: KRISTEN A. CARRON, ESQ.

**ARTICLE III**

Under the terms of these Articles of Organization and any written operating agreement made or intended to be made, the limited liability company is intended to be treated for purposes of federal income taxation as:  
*Check one box only*

☒ a partnership    ☐ a corporation    ☐ disregarded as an entity separate from its member

**ARTICLE IV**

The address of its principal office of the limited liability company if it is determined at the time of organization:

No. and Street: 18 DEDFORD STREET

City or Town: EAST GREENWICH

State: RI

Zip: 02818

Country: USA

**ARTICLE V**

The limited liability company has the purpose of engaging in any lawful business, unless a more limited purpose is set forth in Article VI of these Articles of Organization.

The period of its duration is: ☒ Perpetual    ☐

**ARTICLE VI**

Additional provisions, if any, not inconsistent with law, which members elect to have set forth in these Articles of Organization, including, but not limited to, any limitation of the purposes or any other provision which may be included in an operating agreement:

I. A MANAGER OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SHALL NOT BE  
PERSONALLY LIABLE TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR TO ITS MEMBERS  
FOR

MONETARY DAMAGES FOR BREACH OF ANY DUTY PROVIDED FOR IN SECTION 17 OF

THE  
RHODE ISLAND LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY ACT, AS MAY HEREAFTER BE  
AMENDED  
(THE "ACT"), EXCEPT FOR (I) LIABILITY FOR BREACH OF THE MANAGER'S DUTY OF  
LOYALTY TO THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR ITS MEMBERS, (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 32 OF THE ACT, OR (V) LIABILITY FOR ANY  
TRANSACTION FROM WHICH THE MANAGER DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL  
BENEFIT,  
UNLESS SAID TRANSACTION WAS WITH THE INFORMED CONSENT OF THE MEMBERS  
OR A  
MAJORITY OF THE DISINTERESTED MANAGERS.

II. (A) THE MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MAY  
INCLUDE PROVISIONS IN THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY'S OPERATING  
AGREEMENT,  
OR THE MANAGERS MAY AUTHORIZE AGREEMENTS TO BE ENTERED INTO WITH  
EACH  
MEMBER, MANAGER, AGENT OR EMPLOYEE, PAST OR PRESENT, OF THE LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY (AN "INDEMNIFIED PERSON"), FOR THE PURPOSE OF  
INDEMNIFYING AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON IN THE MANNER AND TO THE EXTENT  
PERMITTED BY THE ACT.  
(B) IN ADDITION TO THE AUTHORITY CONFERRED UPON THE  
MEMBERS AND MANAGERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY BY THE  
FOREGOING  
PARAGRAPH (A), THE MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY MAY INCLUDE  
PROVISIONS IN THE OPERATING AGREEMENT, OR THE MANAGERS MAY AUTHORIZE  
AGREEMENTS 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 OPERATING PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED  
HEREBY MAY PROVIDE THAT THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SHALL, SUBJECT TO  
THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE SIXTH II(B), PAY, ON BEHALF OF AN  
INDEMNIFIED PERSON ANY LOSS OR EXPENSES ARISING FROM ANY CLAIM OR  
CLAIMS  
WHICH ARE MADE AGAINST THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON (WHETHER INDIVIDUALLY  
OR  
JOINTLY WITH OTHER INDEMNIFIED PERSONS) BY REASON OF ANY COVERED ACT  
OF  
THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON.

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

(1) "MANAGER(S)" MEANS ANY OR ALL OF THE MANAGERS OF THE LIMITED  
LIABILITY COMPANY OR THOSE ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OR OTHER PERSONS WHO  
ARE  
EXERCISING ANY POWERS NORMALLY VESTED IN THE MANAGERS;

(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 ACTS" MEANS ANY ACT OR OMISSION BY THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON  
IN THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON'S OFFICIAL CAPACITY WITH THE LIMITED LIABILITY  
COMPANY AND WHILE SERVING AS SUCH OR WHILE SERVING AT THE REQUEST OF  
THE  
LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY AS A MEMBER OF THE GOVERNING BODY, MANAGER,  
OFFICER, EMPLOYEE OR AGENT OF ANOTHER LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY,  
CORPORATION, PARTNERSHIP, JOINT VENTURE, TRUST, OTHER ENTITY OR  
ENTERPRISE, INCLUDING, BUT NOT LIMITED TO ANY ENTITIES AND ENTERPRISES  
WHICH ARE SUBSIDIARIES OR AFFILIATES OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, OR  
EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN.

(III) THE OPERATING AGREEMENT PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS 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 OPERATING AGREEMENT PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS 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 LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OF 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 OPERATING AGREEMENT PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED  
HEREBY

MAY NOT INDEMNIFY AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON FROM AND AGAINST ANY LOSS, AND THE

LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SHALL NOT REIMBURSE FOR ANY EXPENSES, IN CONNECTION WITH ANY CLAIM OR CLAIMS MADE AGAINST AN INDEMNIFIED PERSON

WHICH THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY HAS DETERMINED TO HAVE RESULTED FROM:

(1) ANY BREACH OF THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON'S DUTY OF LOYALTY TO THE LIMITED

LIABILITY COMPANY OR ITS MEMBERS; (2) ACTS OR OMISSIONS NOT IN GOOD FAITH

OR WHICH INVOLVE INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT OR KNOWING VIOLATION OF LAW; (3)

ACTION CONTRAVENING SECTION 17 OF THE ACT; OR (4) A TRANSACTION FROM WHICH

THE PERSON SEEKING INDEMNIFICATION DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL BENEFIT.

III. NO SINGLE MEMBER ACTING ALONE SHALL HAVE THE POWER OR AUTHORITY TO

BIND THE LLC TO ANY CONTRACT WITH A THIRD PARTY UNLESS SUCH CONTRACT HAS

BEEN SPECIFICALLY OR GENERALLY APPROVED BY THE MEMBERS ACTING COLLECTIVELY.

#### ARTICLE VII

The limited liability company is to be managed by its   X   Members or      Managers (check one)  
(If managed by Members, go to ARTICLE VIII)

The name and address of each manager (If LLC is managed by Members, DO NOT complete this section):

| Title | Individual Name             | Address                                         |
|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|
|       | First, Middle, Last, Suffix | Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country |

#### ARTICLE VIII

The date these Articles of Organization are to become effective, not prior to, nor more than 30 days after the filing of these Articles of Organization.

Later Effective Date: 09/14/2017

*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 company, and that the facts stated herein are true, as of the date of the electronic filing, in compliance with R.I. Gen. Laws § 7-16.*

**Signed this 14 Day of September, 2017 at 1:24:54 PM by the Authorized Person.**

MATTHEW MCGEORGE

**Address of Authorized Signer:**

18 DEDFORD STREET

EAST GREENWICH, RI 02818

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**Nellie M. Gorbea**, *Secretary of State*

I, NELLIE M. GORBEA, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island  
and Providence Plantations, hereby certify that this document, duly executed in  
accordance with the provisions of Title 7 of the General Laws of Rhode Island, as  
amended, has been filed in this office on this day:

September 14, 2017 01:22 PM

The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style in blue ink. It appears to read "Nellie M. Gorbea".

Nellie M. Gorbea  
*Secretary of State*

