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STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS
Office of the Secretary of State Matthew A. Brown
Corporations Division
100 North Main Street
Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1335

BUSINESS CORPORATION

**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
(To Be Filed In Duplicate Original)**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 7-1.1-103 of the General Laws, 1956, as amended, the undersigned foreign corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to transact business in the state of Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

1. The name of the corporation is Brant Hickey & Associates, Inc.

2. It is incorporated under the laws of Pennsylvania

3. The name, if different, which it elects to use in Rhode Island is:

(a) *If the name of the corporation in its jurisdiction of incorporation does not contain the word "corporation," "company," "incorporated," or "limited," or an abbreviation thereof, then list the name of the corporation with the addition of one of the above corporate endings for use in Rhode Island:*

(b) *If the corporate name is not available in Rhode Island, then set forth below the fictitious name under which the corporation will qualify and transact business in Rhode Island as stated in the "Fictitious Business Name Statement" to be filed with this application:*

4. The date of its incorporation is 12/01/1994 and the period of its duration is Perpetual

5. The address of its principal office in the state or country under the laws of which it is incorporated is 1810 Mt. Nebo Road, Sewickley, PA 15143

6. The address of its proposed registered office in Rhode Island is 10 Weybosset Street

(Street Address, not P.O. Box)

Providence, RI 02903 and the name of its proposed registered agent in Rhode Island at

(City/Town) (Zip Code)

that address is CT Corporation System,

(Name of Agent)

7. The specific purpose or purposes, which it proposes to pursue in the transaction of business in Rhode Island are:

Sale of Structured Settlements

8. The names and respective addresses of the directors and officers are:

Name

Address

Director _____

Director _____

President Gary L. Brant

Vice President David J. Hickey - CEO

Treasurer _____

Secretary _____

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9. The aggregate number of shares which it has authority to issue, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
1000	Common	None	\$1

10. The aggregate number of its issued shares, itemized by classes, par value of shares, shares without par value, and series, if any, within a class, is:

Number of Shares	Class	Series	Par Value or Statement that Shares are without Par Value
1000	Common	None	\$1

11. (a) An estimate of the value of all property to be owned by the corporation for the following year, wherever located, is \$ 150,000.
- (b) An estimate of the value of the corporation's property to be located within Rhode Island during the following year is \$ -0-.
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the estimated value of the property of the corporation to be located within this state during the following year bears to the value of all property of the corporation to be owned during the following year, wherever located, is 1% % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
12. (a) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation during the following year is \$ 100,000,000.00.
- (b) An estimate of the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in Rhode Island during the following year is \$ 1,000,000.
- (c) An estimate, expressed as a percentage, of the proportion that the gross amount of business to be transacted by the corporation at or from places of business in this state during the following year bears to the gross amount thereof which will be transacted by the corporation during the following year is 1% % [divide (b) by (a) and multiply by 100 to obtain the percentage].
13. This application is accompanied by certified copies of its articles of incorporation and all amendments thereto, duly authenticated by the secretary of state or other authorized officer of the jurisdiction of its incorporation.

Date: 11/24/04

Brant Hickey & Associates, Inc.
 Print Exact Name of Corporation Making Application

By [Signature]
 President or Vice President (check one)

AND

By [Signature]
 Secretary or Assistant Secretary (check one)

STATE OF Pennsylvania
 COUNTY OF Allegheny

In Sewickley, on this 17th day of November, 2004, before me personally appeared Gary L. Brant and David J. Hickey who, being duly sworn, declared that he/she is the President and Secretary of the above-named entity and that he/she signed the foregoing document as such authorized agent, and that the statements herein contained are true.

COMMONWEALTH OF PENNSYLVANIA
 Notarial Seal
 Cynthia A. Slavinsky, Notary Public
 Ohio Twp., Allegheny County
 My Commission Expires Oct. 7, 2008
 Member, Pennsylvania Association Of Notaries

[Signature]
 Notary Public
 My Commission Expires: 10-07-08

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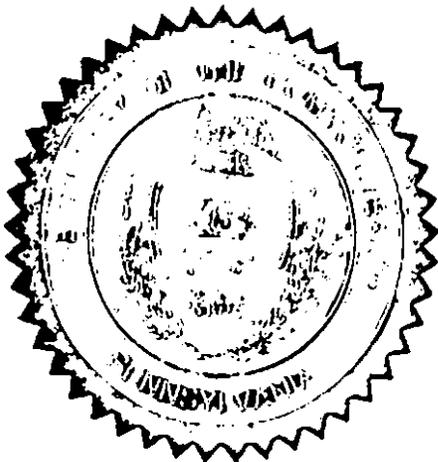
November 10, 2004

TO ALL WHOM THESE PRESENTS SHALL COME , GREETING :

BRANT HICKEY & ASSOCIATES, INC.

I, Pedro A. Cortés, Secretary of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania do hereby certify that the foregoing and annexed is a true and correct photocopy of Articles of Incorporation

which appear of record in this department



IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF , I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the Secretary's Office to be affixed, the day and year above written.

Pedro A. Cortés

Secretary of the Commonwealth

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