



**State of Rhode Island  
Office of the Secretary of State**

Fee: \$230.00

Division Of Business Services  
148 W. River Street  
Providence RI 02904-2615  
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**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 AAWC Acquisition, Inc.

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.)

Class of Stock	Par Value Per Share	Total Authorized Shares <i>Number of Shares</i>
CWP	\$0.0100	10,000.00

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: 1481 WAMPANOAG TRAIL  
City or Town: EAST PROVIDENCE State: RI Zip: 02915

The name of its initial registered agent at such address is JOHN E. SCHOLHAMER

**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:

### I. EXCEPT AS OTHERWISE PROVIDED BY THE RHODE ISLAND BUSINESS CORPORATION

ACT, AS HAS BEEN OR MAY HEREAFTER BE AMENDED (THE "ACT"), ANY ACTION REQUIRED

OR PERMITTED TO BE TAKEN AT A MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS BY THE ACT, BY THESE

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION OR BY THE BY-LAWS OF THE CORPORATION MAY BE TAKEN

WITHOUT A MEETING UPON THE WRITTEN CONSENT OF LESS THAN ALL OF THE SHAREHOLDERS

ENTITLED TO VOTE THEREON IF THE SHAREHOLDERS WHO SO CONSENT WOULD BE ENTITLED

TO CAST AT LEAST THE MINIMUM NUMBER OF VOTES WHICH WOULD BE REQUIRED TO TAKE

SUCH ACTION AT A MEETING AT WHICH ALL SHAREHOLDERS ENTITLED TO VOTE THEREON ARE

PRESENT.

II. (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 811 OF THE ACT, OR (IV) LIABILITY FOR ANY TRANSACTION

(OTHER THAN TRANSACTIONS APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 807 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 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 OF 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 AGREEMENTS 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 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 BY-LAW PROVISIONS OR AGREEMENTS AUTHORIZED HEREBY MAY PROVIDE THAT THE CORPORATION SHALL, SUBJECT TO THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE,

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, WHEN USED HEREIN

(1) "DIRECTORS" OR "OFFICER" MEANS ANY INDIVIDUAL WHO IS OR WAS A DIRECTOR OR OFFICER OF THE CORPORATION OR THOSE ONE OR MORE SHAREHOLDERS OR

OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE EXERCISING ANY POWERS NORMALLY VESTED IN THE BOARD OF

DIRECTORS. DIRECTOR OR OFFICER INCLUDES, UNLESS THE CONTEXT OTHERWISE

REQUIRES, THE ESTATE OR PERSONAL REPRESENTATIVE OF THE DIRECTOR OR OFFICER;

(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, JUDGMENTS, SETTLEMENTS, FINES (INCLUDING AN EXCISE TAX ASSESSED WITH RESPECT TO EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLANS), PENALTIES, OR, REASONABLE EXPENSES ACTUALLY INCURRED;

(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 DIRECTOR, OFFICER, PARTNER, TRUSTEE, EMPLOYEE, OR AGENT OF ANOTHER FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC CORPORATION, LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, PARTNERSHIP, JOINT VENTURE, TRUST, OTHER ENTERPRISE, EMPLOYEE BENEFIT PLAN OR OTHER ENTITY.

(III) THE BY-LAW 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 BY-LAW 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 (I) A WRITTEN AFFIRMATION BY THE INDEMNIFIED PERSON OF HIS OR HER GOOD FAITH BELIEF THAT HE OR SHE HAS MET THE STANDARD OF CONDUCT NECESSARY FOR INDEMNIFICATION AND (II) 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 STOCKHOLDERS; (2) ACTS OR OMISSIONS NOT IN GOOD FAITH OR WHICH INVOLVE INTENTIONAL MISCONDUCT OR KNOWING VIOLATION OF LAW; (3) ACTION CONTRAVENING SECTION 811 OF THE ACT; OR (4) A TRANSACTION (OTHER THAN A TRANSACTION APPROVED IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 807 OF THE ACT) FROM WHICH THE PERSON SEEKING INDEMNIFICATION DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL BENEFIT.

#### ARTICLE VI

The name and address of the each incorporator is:

<b>Title</b>	<b>Individual Name</b> First, Middle, Last, Suffix	<b>Address</b> Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country
INCORPORATOR	JOHN E. SCHOLHAMER	1481 WAMPANOAG TRAIL EAST PROVIDENCE, RI 02915 USA

**ARTICLE VII**

These Articles of Incorporation 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 20 Day of March, 2023 at 12:43:55 PM 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.*

<BR> JOHN E. SCHOLHAMER

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Gregg M. Amore, *Secretary of State*

I, GREGG M. AMORE, Secretary of State of the State of Rhode Island,  
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:

March 20, 2023 12:42 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregg M. Amore".

Gregg M. Amore  
*Secretary of State*

