



State of Rhode Island

Department of State - Business Services Division

Certificate of Authority

FOREIGN Non-Profit Corporation

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Pursuant to the provisions of RIGL 7-6-74, the undersigned foreign non-profit corporation hereby applies for a Certificate of Authority to conduct affairs in the State of Rhode Island, and for that purpose submits the following statement:

1. The name of the corporation is:		
American College of Rheumatology		
1a. The name, if different, which it elects to use in Rhode Island is:		
*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.		
2. It is incorporated under the laws of: Illinois		
3. The date of its incorporation is: 06/27/1985		
And the period of its duration is: CHECK ONLY ONE BOX		
☒ Perpetual (on-going)		
☐ Date certain for dissolution _____		
4. The address of its principal place of business is: 2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319		
5. The name and address of the initial registered agent/office in Rhode Island is:		
Agent Name Registered Agents Inc		
Street Address (<u>NOT</u> a P.O. Box) 47 Wood Ave, Suite 2		
City/Town Warrington	State RHODE ISLAND	Zip Code 02806

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6. The purpose or purposes which it proposes to pursue in the conducting its affairs in Rhode Island:

Provide professional education for members through conferences, and publication of journal articles, and provide grants for research projects.

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7. The names and respective addresses of its directors and officers are:

OFFICE	NAME	ADDRESS
Director	Deborah Dyett Desir	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
Director	Carol Langford	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
Director	Will Harvey	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
President	Steve C Echard	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
Vice President	Colleen Merkel	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
Treasurer	Mona Dodia	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319
Secretary	Patrinia Clark	2200 Lake Blvd NE, Atlanta, GA 30319

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8. This application must be accompanied by a Certificate of Good Standing/Letter of Status from the state or country of formation dated within 60 days of the date of this filing.

Under penalty of perjury, we declare and affirm that we have examined this Application for Certificate of Authority, including and accompanying attachments, and that all statements contained herein are true and correct.

Type or Print Name of ☒ President OR ☐ Vice President

Date

Steven Echard

March 11, 2024

Signature of President OR Vice President



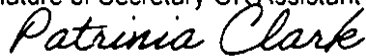
Type or Print Name of ☒ Secretary OR ☐ Assistant Secretary

Date

Patrinia Clark

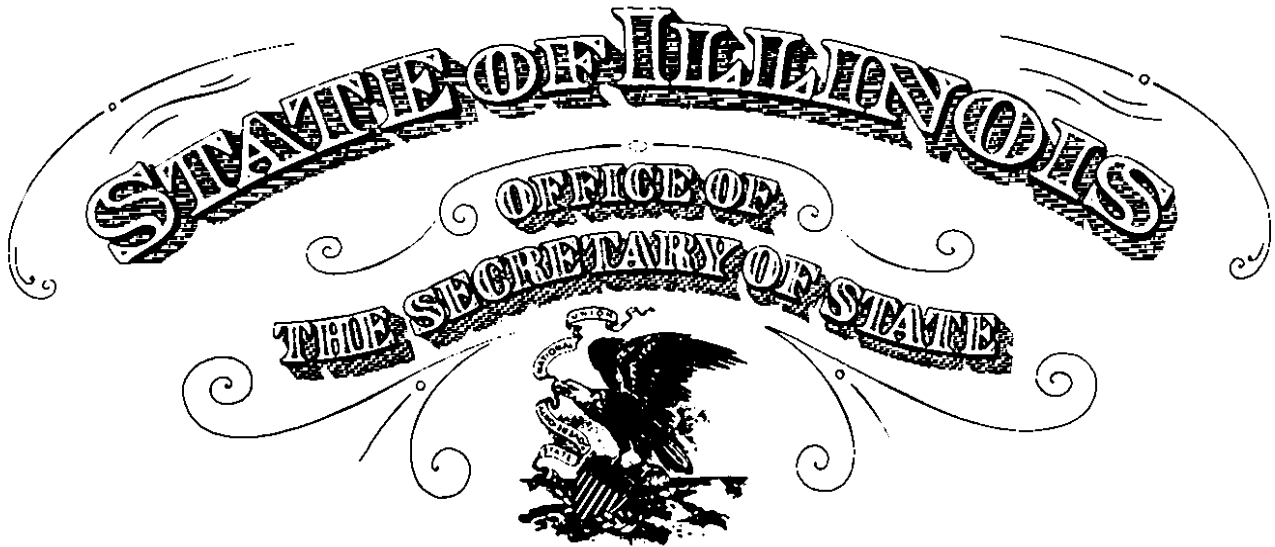
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Signature of Secretary OR Assistant Secretary



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To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

I, Alexi Giannoulas, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, do hereby certify that I am the keeper of the records of the Department of Business Services. I certify that

AMERICAN COLLEGE OF RHEUMATOLOGY, A DOMESTIC CORPORATION, INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE ON JUNE 27, 1985, APPEARS TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE GENERAL NOT FOR PROFIT CORPORATION ACT OF THIS STATE, AND AS OF THIS DATE, IS IN GOOD STANDING AS A DOMESTIC CORPORATION IN THE STATE OF ILLINOIS.



In Testimony Whereof, I hereto set my hand and cause to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Illinois, this 7TH day of MARCH A.D. 2024 .



State of Rhode Island

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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 14, 2024 01:02 PM

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Gregg M. Amore". The signature is written in a cursive style.

Gregg M. Amore
Secretary of State

