



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

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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: Ballinger Brothers, 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: 130 BELLEVUE AVENUE

City or Town: NEWPORT

State: RI

Zip: 02840

The name of the resident agent at such address is: DEBRA L. CHERNICK, 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*

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

**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: 130 BELLEVUE AVENUE

City or Town: NEWPORT

State: RI

Zip: 02840

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:

SIXTH: ADDITIONAL PROVISIONS NOT INCONSISTENT WITH LAW SET FORTH IN THESE

ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION: I. A MEMBER OR MANAGING MEMBER 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 MEMBER OR MANAGING MEMBER'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 (IV) LIABILITY FOR ANY TRANSACTION FROM WHICH THE

MEMBER OR MANAGING MEMBER DERIVED AN IMPROPER PERSONAL BENEFIT, UNLESS SAID

TRANSACTION WAS WITH THE INFORMED CONSENT OF THE MEMBERS OR A MAJORITY OF

THE DISINTERESTED MANAGING MEMBERS. II. (A) THE MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED

LIABILITY COMPANY MAY INCLUDE PROVISIONS IN THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY'S

OPERATING AGREEMENT, OR THE MANAGING MEMBER(S) MAY AUTHORIZE AGREEMENTS TO

BE ENTERED INTO WITH EACH MEMBER, MANAGING MEMBER, 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 MANAGING MEMBER(S) 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

MANAGINGMEMBER(S)

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 AGREEMENT 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) "MANAGING MEMBER(S)" MEANS ANY OR ALL OF THE MANAGING

MEMBERS OF THE LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY OR THOSE ONE OR MORE MEMBERS OR

OTHER PERSONS WHO ARE EXERCISING ANY POWERS NORMALLY VESTED IN THE MANAGING

MEMBER(S); (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 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 OF 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 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 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 GOODFAITH 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.

ARTICLE VII

The limited liability company is to be managed by its  X  Members\* or      Managers (check one)

**\* If you checked to be managed by your MEMBERS (the owners) DO NOT complete the following section. Only complete the following section if you checked to be managed by MANAGERS.**

The name and address of each manager:

Title	Individual Name <small>First, Middle, Last, Suffix</small>	Address <small>Address, City or Town, State, Zip Code, Country</small>
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ARTICLE VIII

The date these Articles of Organization are to become effective, not prior to, nor more than 90 days after the filing of these Articles of Organization.

Later Effective Date:

*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 23 Day of May, 2024 at 10:45:52 AM by the Authorized Person.**

DEBRA L. CHERNICK, ESQ.

**Address of Authorized Signer:**  
130 BELLEVUE AVENUE  
NEWPORT, RI 02840

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