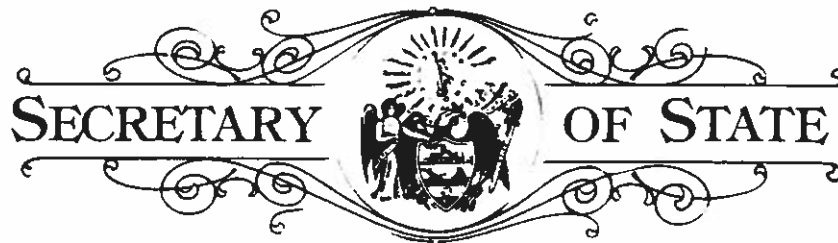


# STATE OF ARKANSAS



**Charlie Daniels**  
SECRETARY OF STATE

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings:

I, Charlie Daniels, Secretary of State of Arkansas, do hereby certify that the following and hereto attached instrument of writing is a true and perfect copy of

## **Articles of Incorporation**

of

## **BELLE VALLEE-THE COURTS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

filed in this office January 15, 2004 in compliance with the provisions of the law and are hereby declared a body politic and corporate, by the name and style aforesaid, with all the powers, privileges and immunities granted in the law thereunto appertaining.

**In Testimony Whereof**, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official Seal. Done at my office in the City of Little Rock, this 15th day of January 2004.



*Charlie Daniels*

Secretary of State

## ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

OF

### BELLE VALLEE - THE COURTS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.

The undersigned, in order to form a nonprofit corporation for the purposes hereinafter stated, under and pursuant to the provisions of the laws of the State of Arkansas, particularly the Arkansas Nonprofit Corporation Act of 1993, Chapter 33 of Title 4 of the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated, does hereby certify as follows:

1. Name. The name of this Corporation shall be BELLE VALLEE - THE COURTS PROPERTY OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC." (the "Corporation").

2. Mutual Benefit. This Corporation is a mutual benefit corporation.

3. Purposes. This Corporation is organized as a nonprofit corporation to operate exclusively as a residential real estate management association for the mutual benefit of its members.

The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are more specifically described as follows:

(a) To provide for the acquisition, construction, management, maintenance, and care of Association Property. For the purposes hereof the term "Association Property" shall mean: (1) property owned by the Corporation; (2) property commonly owned by the members of the Corporation; (3) residential property privately owned by the members but situated within the geographical boundaries of the area served by the Corporation; and, (4) property owned by a municipality or other governmental unit and used for the benefit of the residents.

(b) To receive and to maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and, subject to the restrictions hereinafter set forth, to use and apply the whole, or any part, of the

income therefrom and the principal thereof exclusively for the purpose of carrying on the exempt functions of a homeowners association as defined in Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 (or the corresponding provisions of any future United States Internal Revenue law).

4. Powers. The Corporation shall have and exercise all powers, privileges and rights conferred on corporations by the laws of the State of Arkansas and all powers and rights incidental to carrying out the purposes for which this Corporation is formed, except such as are inconsistent with the express provisions of the Act under which this Corporation is incorporated.

5. Prohibitions.

(a) Other than by the acquisition, construction, management, maintenance, and care of Association Property, no part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of any member, director, or officer of the Corporation, or to any other interested individual; provided, however, reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to, or for, the Corporation, effecting one or more of its purposes, and the Corporation may make reimbursement to its members, directors, officers or employees for expenses incurred in attending to their authorized duties.

(b) Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on by a corporation exempt from federal income tax under Section 528 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue law (the "Code").

6. Dissolution, Liquidation, and Termination. Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, dispose of all assets of the Corporation exclusively to such persons or organizations as are permitted distributees under Section 528 of the Code. Any of such assets not so disposed of

shall be disposed of by the Circuit Court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is located exclusively to such organization or organizations, as said Court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

7. Principal Office. The principal office or place of business of this Corporation shall be located at 7 Chenal Club Boulevard, Little Rock, Arkansas 72211.

8. Registered Agent. The name and address of the registered agent of this Corporation is Jack R. McCray at 7 Chenal Club Boulevard, Little Rock, Arkansas 72211.

9. No Stock or Dividends. The Corporation shall not have or issue shares of stock and no dividends shall be paid, and no part of the income of the Corporation shall be distributed to its members, directors, or officers.

10. Membership. The Corporation shall have members, and the classes of membership shall be as provided in the Bylaws.

11. Directors. The business of the Corporation shall be conducted by the Board of Directors. The Board of Directors may employ for the Corporation, a Managing Agent, at a compensation established by the Board, to perform such duties and services as the Board shall authorize, including but not limited to all of the powers granted to the Board of Directors by these Articles and the By-Laws of the Corporation. The number of the directors of the Corporation shall be provided in the Bylaws; provided, however, at no time shall the number of directors be less than three (3). The terms of office of the directors shall be provided in the Bylaws. The initial Board of Directors shall have the direction of the affairs of this Corporation and shall meet as soon as is practicable after the issuance of the Certificate of Incorporation by the Secretary of State for the purposes of electing officers, adopting Bylaws and taking such other action as may be necessary to

perfect the organization of the Corporation. Thereafter, the Bylaws may be amended and officers elected as provided in the Bylaws. The directors shall be permitted to hold office for more than one term by re-election.

12. Names of Incorporators. The names and addresses of the Incorporators are as follows:

Ray C. Dillon  
210 East Elm Street  
El Dorado, AR 71730

Cleifton D. Vaughan  
210 East Elm Street  
El Dorado, AR 71730

W. Bayless Rowe  
210 East Elm Street  
El Dorado, AR 71730

13. Amendments. From time to time any of the provisions of the Articles of Incorporation may be amended, altered, or repealed, and other provisions authorized by the Code and the laws of the state of Arkansas at the time in force may be added or inserted in the manner and at the time prescribed by said laws and the Bylaws.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the Incorporators have hereunto affixed their hands this 19<sup>th</sup> day of December, 2003.

Ray C. Dillon  
Ray C. Dillon

Cleifton D. Vaughan  
Cleifton D. Vaughan

W. Bayless Rowe  
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