

# CERTIFICATE OF INCORPORATION OF

THE IDAHO CASA ASSOCIATION, INC.

I, PETE T. CENARRUSA, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, hereby certify the	at
duplicate originals of Articles of Incorporation for the incorporation of	
THE IDAHO CASA ASSOCIATION, INC.	- •

duly signed pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act, have been received in this office and are found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I issue this Certificate of Incorporation and attach hereto a duplicate original of the Articles of Incorporation.

Dated \_\_\_\_\_\_ September 16 \_\_\_\_\_\_ , 19 \_ 91 \_\_\_\_ .



SECRETARY OF STATE

Corporation Clerk

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OF

THE IDAHO CASA ASSOCIATION, INC.,

a nonprofit corporation

KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS: together for the purpose of forming a nonprofit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Idaho. For that purpose, we do hereby adopt these Articles of Incorporation.

- 1. Name: The name of the corporation is The Idaho CASA Association, Inc.
- Duration: The period of duration of this corporation shall be perpetual.
- Nonprofit status: This corporation is organized as a nonprofit corporation.
- Purpose: The purposes for which this corporation is organized are:
- a) To advocate for the best interests of abused, neglected, abandoned or homeless children ("Children");
- To support the development, growth and continuity of b) programs ("Programs") which recruit and train volunteer guardian ad litems to serve as court appointed special advocates for Children in judicial proceedings;
  - To communicate with Programs on issues relevant to C)

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their representation of Children;

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- d) To identify and address issues of common concern to members of the corporation;
- e) To provide educational and technical assistance to members of the corporation;
- f) To provide information on fundraising and participate in such activities;
- g) To promulgate CASA/GAL standards for Programs operating in the State of Idaho, which standards shall not be inconsistent with standards of the National CASA Association.
- h) To carry on any or all other lawful activity for which nonprofit corporations may be incorporated under the laws of the State of Idaho, as they may be amended from time to time.
- 5. Prohibited Activities: No part of the net earnings of the corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to its members, officers, or other private persons, except that the corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth above. 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 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.
- 6. Corporate Dissolution: Upon the dissolution of the corporation, and after paying or making provision for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, all of the assets of ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 2

the corporation shall be transferred to the National CASA Association, or, if the National CASA Association shall not then be an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, then to such other association selected by majority vote of the voting members and is organized exclusively for the same or similar purposes as is this corporation and which shall be an exempt organization under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986.

- 7. Registered Agent and Office: The initial registered agent of the corporation is Eric L. Haff, and the initial registered office of such agent is Hyde, Wetherell, Bray & Haff, Suite 500, 1109 Main Street, Boise, Idaho 83702.
- 8. Membership: The corporation shall have membership of two classes.
- (a) Class I Voting Members. All Programs acting as Child Advocate Coordinators pursuant to \$16,1630, Idaho Code, within the Idaho State Court system shall be eligible to become members upon payment of such dues as may, from time to time, be assessed by the Association. Additionally, all Programs which provide services in compliance with the National CASA standards and State CASA standards shall be eligible to become voting members upon approval of a majority of the existing voting members and payment of such uniform assessment as may be levied, from time to time, by the voting membership as herein provided.
- (b) Class II Nonvoting Members. Any other person or entity may become a non voting member upon approval of a majority ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION 3
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of the existing voting members and payment of such uniform assessments as may be specifically levied on the nonvoting members, from time to time, by the voting members.

- 9. Management: The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by the voting members, as provided in the Bylaws.
- 10. Principal Organizers: The principal organizers (and initial voting members) and their street addresses are:
- A. First Judicial District:

Star Euthene, Executive Director Coeur d'Alene Women's Center Gina Alby, VISTA/CASA Development 2201 Government Way, Suite E Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83814

B. Second Judicial District:

None

C. Third Judicial District:

Miriam Wilks, Director Childrens Voices, Inc. 1023 E. Cleveland Caldwell, ID 83605

D. Fourth Judicial District:

Diane Manwill CASA Program, Family Advocate Program 1134 N. Orchard, Suite 1 Boise, Idaho 83706

E. Fifth Judicial District:

Cathie Jackson, Assistant Program Director Guardian Ad Litem Program South Central Community Action Agency P. O. Box 531 Twin Falls, ID 83303-0531

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### F. Sixth Judicial District:

Joy Doctor, Director Sixth Judicial District CASA Program 250 N. 5th, Suite E Pocatello, ID 83201

## G. Seventh Judicial District:

Lee Smith, CASA Coordinator Help, Inc. 545 Shoup, Suite 330 Idaho Falls, Idaho 83402

11. Incorporators: The name and address of each incorporator

is:

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- 12. Powers: The corporation shall have such powers as are enumerated in the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act or the Idaho Business Corporation Act.
- 13. Amendment: The corporation reserves the right to amend, endorse or repeat any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by two-thirds (2/3) vote of the voting members acting at a meeting duly called for such purpose.

DATED this 16th day of September, 1991.

**INCORPORATORS** 

First Judicial District:

Coeur d'Alene Women's Center

Star Euthene

Third Judicial District:

Childrens Voices, Inc.

Mirlam Wilks

Fourth Judicial District:

Casa Program, Family Advocate Program

By Diane Manwill

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Fifth Judicial District:

Guardian Ad Litem Program

By Atherine M
Cathie Jackson

Sixth Judicial District:

Sixth Judicial District CASA Program

By Joy Doctor

Seventh Judicial District:

Help, Inc.