

APPLICATION FOR REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

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SECRETARY OF STATE

| | (Instructions on back of application) |
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| ۱. | The name of the limited liability company is: SmithGroup, PLLC |
| 2. | If the name of the limited liability company is not permissible or is not available in Idaho, the name the foreign limited liability company will use in Idaho is: |
| | The Jurisdiction under whose laws the limited liability company is organized is: North Carolina and the date of its formation was: April 24, 2006 |
| 4. | The name and address of the registered agent in Idaho is: C T Corporation System, 1111 West Jefferson, Suite 530, Boise, ID 83702 |
| 5 . | The address of the limited liability company's office in the jurisdiction under whose laws it is organized is: |
| | 324 Blackwell Street, Suite 1104, Durham, NC 27701 |
| 6. | The address of the limited liability company's principal office, if other than the address in #5 above, is: |
| 7. | The address to which correspondence should be addressed is: |
| | 324 Blackwell Street, Suite 1104, Durham, NC 27701 |
| 8. | Signature of a manager, if any, or a member if there are no managers. |
| | Signature Secretary of State use only |
| | Typed Name Harold E. Davis, Jr. Manager Member |
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NORTH CAROLINA Department of The Secretary of State

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE (PROFESSIONAL LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY)

I, ELAINE F. MARSHALL, Secretary of State of the State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that

SMITHGROUP, PLLC

is a professional limited liability company duly formed under the laws of the State of North Carolina, having been formed on the 24th day of April, 2006, with a period of duration ending Perpetual.

I FURTHER certify that the said professional limited liability company's articles of formation are not suspended for failure to comply with the Revenue Act of the State of North Carolina; that the said professional limited liability company is not suspended for failure to comply with the provisions of any North Carolina Licensing Board; and that the said professional limited liability company has not filed articles of dissolution as of the date of this certificate.



Certification# 87041810-1 Reference# 8763649- Page: 1 of 1 Verify this certificate online at www.secretary.state.no.us/verification IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official seal at the City of Raleigh, this 25th day of September, 2007.

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Secretary of State