

State of Idaho

Office of the Secretary of State

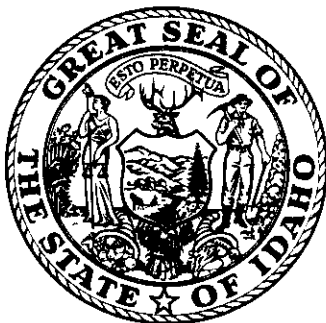
**CERTIFICATE OF AUTHORITY
OF
RISK PLACEMENT SERVICES, INC.**

File Number C 160110

I, BEN YSURSA, Secretary of State of the State of Idaho, hereby certify that an Application for Certificate of Authority, duly executed pursuant to the provisions of the Idaho Business Corporation Act, has been received in this office and is found to conform to law.

ACCORDINGLY and by virtue of the authority vested in me by law, I issue this Certificate of Authority to transact business in this State and attach hereto a duplicate of the application for such certificate.

Dated: 27 April 2005



Ben Yursa

SECRETARY OF STATE

By

Rona Kester

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**APPLICATION FOR CERTIFICATE
OF AUTHORITY (For Profit)**
(Instructions on Back of Application)

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SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF IDAHO

The undersigned Corporation applies for a Certificate of Authority and states as follows:

1. The name of the corporation is:

Risk Placement Services, Inc.

2. The name which it shall use in Idaho is: Risk Placement Services, Inc.

3. It is incorporated under the laws of: Illinois

4. Its date of incorporation is: 10/05/1979

5. The address of its principal office is:

Two Pierce Place, Itasca, IL 60143

6. The address to which correspondence should be addressed, if different from item 5, is:

Same

7. The street address of its registered office in Idaho is: 1401 Shoreline Drive, Suite 2, Boise, Idaho 83702

and its registered agent in Idaho at that address is: Corporation Service Company

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

Name	Office	Address
See attached officers/directors rider		

Dated: April 25, 2005

Signature: Christine D. Greb

Typed Name: Christine D. Greb

Capacity: Assistant Secretary

Customer Acct #:

(If using pre paid account)

Secretary of State use only

9. Application fee
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04/27/2005 05:00
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RISK PLACEMENT SERVICES, INC.
(Formerly International Special Risk Services, Inc.)

Incorporated : Illinois
Date : 10/05/79

% Ownership : 100% Arthur J. Gallagher & Co.

Federal ID # : 36-3110841

CAPITAL STOCK:

Common

Price/Par Value: \$1.00

Authorized: 100,000

Outstanding: 1,000

DIRECTORS:

Joel D. Cavaness
David B. McGurn, Jr.

Director
Director

OFFICERS:

David E. McGurn, Jr.
Joel D. Cavaness
Cynthia C. Shafer
Douglas K. Howell
John C. Rosengren
Peter J. Durkalski
Joel C. Kornreich
Paul F. Wasikowski
Walter P. Bryce, Jr.
Gregory A. Giermak
David E. Williams
Marie A. Heinrichs
Harold G. Miller
Scott A. Spangler
Jack H. Lazzaro
Richard C. Cary
John C. Rosengren
Christine D. Greb

RPS - ITASCA

Area Chairman
President
Area President
Vice President-Finance
Vice President and General Counsel
Vice President
Vice President
Vice President - Tax
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Treasurer
Controller
Secretary
Assistant Secretary

RPS - ATLANTA

Jeffrey K. McNatt
Malcolm L. Coffee
Michael E. Berend
Nathan A. Berns
Wayne Leshynski
Braden S. Brown
William T. Dixon
James R. Duffey
Susan N. Dunne
Shelly K. Hohimer

Area President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

ARM - CANOGA PARK

Steven D. Goodman
Linda J. Abell
Karen A. Sterner

Area Chairman
Area President
Area Vice President

RPS - CHARLOTTE

Edwin M. Rollins, Jr.
James W. Proffitt, Jr.
James R. Brooks
Kathy I. Long

Area Chairman
Area President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President

RPS - CHICAGO

Joseph A. Nelligan
Michael J.A. Kokonas
James F. Langan
Sarah M. Musotto
Steven M. Vlamis

Area President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

HCI - COLORADO SPRINGS

Richard J. Greenwood
Bruce G. Geer
Boyd H. Wolf
Bobbie L. Waddell

Area President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

RPS - LEXINGTON

John R. Owens
D. Richard Meyer
R. Leigh Mulloy
Ronald Smedley
L. Elaine Bush
Todd C. Densmore
Fredrick R. Jackson
Paul Moughamian
Bruce E. Rose
Donald Thomas

Area President
Area Executive Vice President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President

RPS MANHATTAN

Harold J. Tucker III

Area President

RPS - ORANGE

Steven J. Cius
Janice Berger
Katheryn Nelson

Area President
Area Senior Vice President
Area Vice President

RPS - OVERLAND PARK

Melissa A. Samberg
Holly D. Wilcox

Area Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

NIPC - POULSBORO

Barry C. Clipsham
William J. Reese
Thomas C. Downs
Patrick R. Campbell
Katie C. Detroit

Area Chairman
Area President
Area Executive Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President

Sherri Norman
Derek M. Lucas

Area Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

RPS - SCOTTSDALE

T. Curtis Anderson
J. Scott Anderson
Michael H. Hickson
Roger Kuchar
Douglas B. Rutherford
Deborah L. Shaw

Area Chairman
Area President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President

RPS - TULSA

Joel H. Stinson
Yvonne E. Garby
Patrick K. Moran
Jana L. Anderson
Wanda Gail Bowlin

Area President
Area Vice President
Area Vice President (Sales & Marketing)
Area Asst. Vice President
Area Asst. Vice President

RPS - YANOFF

Thomas Mannion
Glenn R. Yanoff
Ronald Yanoff
Jerrold Silver

Area President
Area President
Area Executive Vice President
Area Vice President

Purpose of Business:

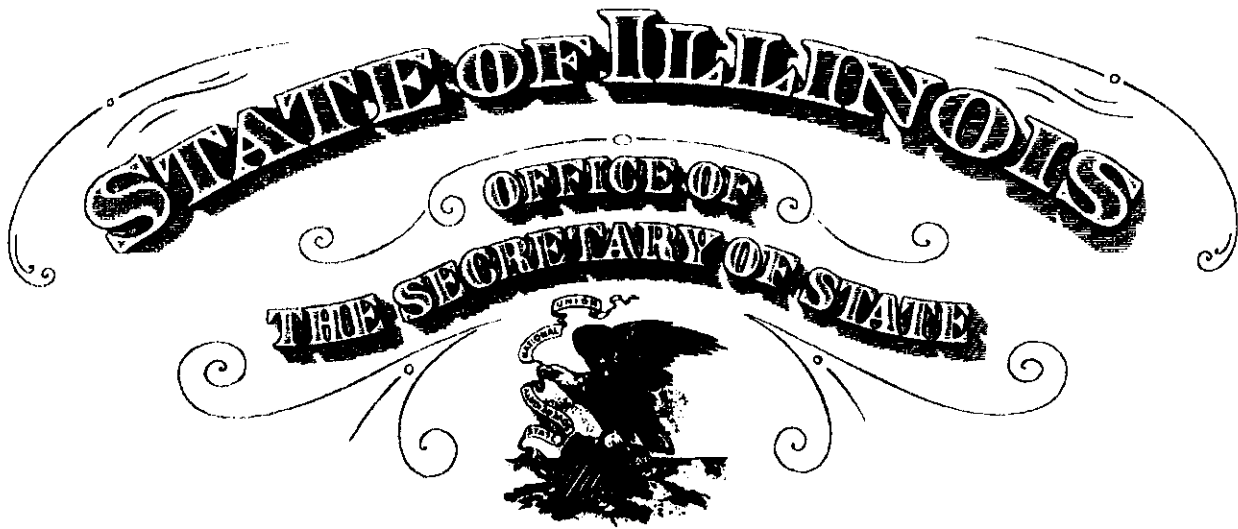
Insurance Agent and Brokerage in primarily excess, surplus and reinsurance transactions

Primary Address:

Two Pierce Place
Itasca, Illinois 60143-3141

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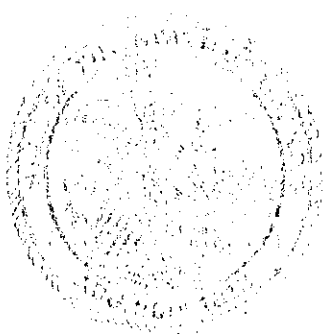
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To all to whom these Presents Shall Come, Greeting:

*I, Jesse White, Secretary of State of the State of Illinois, do
hereby certify that*

RISK PLACEMENT SERVICES, INC., A DOMESTIC
CORPORATION, INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THIS STATE OCTOBER 5,
1979, APPEARS TO HAVE COMPLIED WITH ALL THE PROVISIONS OF THE
BUSINESS CORPORATION ACT OF THIS STATE RELATING TO THE FILING OF
ANNUAL REPORTS AND PAYMENT OF FRANCHISE TAXES, 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* 26TH
day of APRIL *A.D.* 2005

Jesse White

SECRETARY OF STATE