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**SECRETARY OF STATE
STATE OF IDAHO**

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
NATIONAL ASSOCIATION FOR PUBLIC DEFENSE, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as the incorporator of a nonprofit corporation ("Corporation") organized under and pursuant to the Idaho Nonprofit Corporation Act, Chapter 3, Title 30, Idaho Code ("Act"), adopts the following Articles of Incorporation ("Articles").

**ARTICLE I
NAME OF THE CORPORATION**

The name of the Corporation is National Association for Public Defense, Inc.

**ARTICLE II
STATUS**

The Corporation is a nonprofit corporation.

**ARTICLE III
PERIOD OF DURATION**

The period of duration of the Corporation is perpetual.

**ARTICLE IV
REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT**

The location of the Corporation is in the City of Columbus, County of Franklin, and in the State of Ohio. The address of the initial registered office is 242 N. 8th Street, Suite 220, Boise, Idaho 83702, and the name of the initial registered agent at this address is Robert F. Thomas.

**ARTICLE V
PURPOSES**

The purposes for which the Corporation is organized and will be operated are as follows:

A. To secure justice for poor people, people of color, and other disenfranchised groups in the United States; who are represented by court appointed counsel by providing training and assistance to public defense leaders and staff, and work to enhance the quality of indigent defense systems throughout United States.

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B. To exercise all powers granted by law necessary and proper to carry out the foregoing purposes. Nothing herein contained shall be deemed to authorize or permit the Corporation to carry on any business for profit, to exercise any power, or to do any act that a corporation formed under the Act, or any amendment thereto or substitute therefor, may not at that time lawfully carry on or do.

ARTICLE VI LIMITATIONS

No part of the net earnings or the assets of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, directors, 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 in Article V hereof. Notwithstanding any other provisions 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)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERS

The Corporation shall have members who shall have such rights as are provided in the Act that are consistent with the management authority that these Articles grant the Board of Directors of the Corporation. Any person may become a member of the Corporation upon payment of the annual dues fixed by the Board of Directors.

ARTICLE VIII BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The affairs of the Corporation shall be managed by its Board of Directors. The number of Directors serving on the Board of Directors shall be fixed in accordance with the Corporation's Bylaws, which number shall be no less than three. Each Director of the Corporation shall, at all times, be a member of the Corporation. Other than the Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors, who are designated in these Articles, the Directors shall be elected by the members of the Corporation in the manner and for the term provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

The names and street addresses of the persons constituting the initial Board of Directors are:

NAME

ADDRESS

Timothy Young

250 East Broad Street, Ste 1400
Columbus, OH 43215

Mark Stephens

1101 Liberty Street
Knoxville, TN 37919

Edward Monahan

100 Fair Oaks Lane, Ste 302
Frankfort, KY 40601

ARTICLE IX MEMBERSHIP DUES

Membership dues may be charged to all members or classes of membership in equal amounts or in different amounts or proportions upon different members or classes of membership and some members or classes of membership may be made exempt from such membership dues. The Board of Directors is authorized to fix the amount of membership dues from time to time, and to make them payable at such times or intervals, and upon such notice, and by such methods as the Board of Directors may prescribe.

ARTICLE X DISTRIBUTION ON DISSOLUTION

Upon dissolution of the Corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all the assets of the Corporation consistent with the purposes of the Corporation to such organization or organizations as shall at that time qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(6) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended from time to time, in such manner as the Board of Directors shall determine. Any such assets not so distributed shall be distributed by the district court of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for the purposes or to such organizations, as such court shall determine to be consistent with the purposes of the Corporation.

ARTICLE XI INCORPORATOR


The name and street address of the incorporator is Robert F. Thomas, 242 N. 8th Street, Suite 220, Boise, Idaho 83702.

ARTICLE XII BYLAWS

Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation shall be set forth in the Bylaws.

The Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be authorized to amend the Corporation's Bylaws at a properly noticed special or regular meeting of the Board of Directors.

DATED this 5th day of October, 2013.


Robert F. Thomas