

STATE OF ARKANSAS



Mark Martin

ARKANSAS SECRETARY OF STATE

To All to Whom These Presents Shall Come, Greetings:

I, Mark Martin, Arkansas 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

ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COURT MANAGEMENT, INC.

filed in this office December 7, 2015 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 7th day of December, 2015.

Mark Martin

Arkansas Secretary of State



**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
ARKANSAS ASSOCIATION OF COURT MANAGEMENT, INC.**

The undersigned, acting as incorporator under the Arkansas Non-Profit Act (Act 1147 of 1993), adopts the following Articles of Incorporation of such corporation.

Article I

The name of the corporation is Arkansas Association of Court Management, Inc.

Article II

This corporation is a public benefit corporation under Ark. Code Ann. §4-33-202(a)(2)(i).

Article III

The street address of the corporation's initial registered office is 625 Marshall Street, Little Rock, AR 72201. The registered agent is James D. Gingerich.

Article IV

The incorporator is James D. Gingerich, Administrative Office of the Courts, 625 Marshall Street, Little Rock, AR 72201.

Article V

The corporation will have members under the meaning of Ark. Code Ann. §4-33-202(a)(5).

Article VI

The purposes for which the corporation is organized is to operate, not for profit, but exclusively for educational and other charitable purposes as set out in Section 501 (c) (3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as amended and pursuant to that purpose the corporation will:

1. Increase the professionalism of court managers through educational seminars, training programs and conferences;
2. Facilitate the prompt disposition of the courts' business through the development of effective court management techniques;
3. Develop and implement policies, principles and standards to improve the efficient and effective administration of justice;
4. Promote coordination of the administration of the several courts within the State of Arkansas;
5. Provide for the exchange of information and ideas among the membership to enhance the administration of the courts;

6. Promote the profession of court management through research and development projects and active participation in state and national programs;
7. Improve the public perception and understanding of the judicial system through public information and education programs, and otherwise inspire public trust and confidence in the profession of court management;
8. Provide assistance to the Supreme Court of Arkansas and the Administrative Office of the Courts as may be required to promote the effective operation of the Arkansas court system;
9. Maintain the institutional independence and accountability of the judicial branch and its employees; and
10. Do all things necessary or convenient, not inconsistent with law, to further the activities and affairs of the corporation, Ark. Code Ann. §4-33-302(18).

Article VII

- A. The affairs of the corporation shall be managed by a Board of Directors composed of as follows:
 1. The officers of the corporation, consisting of the president, vice president, secretary, and treasurer of the corporation.
 2. Additional regional directors, as provided by the Bylaws, from qualified court management professionals selected by the membership.
- B. A minimum of six (6) initial directors shall be selected by the incorporator prior to the first annual meeting of the corporation. These directors shall elect from their membership the initial officers of the corporation. These officers and directors shall manage the affairs of the organization until the first annual meeting during which officers and board members shall be elected pursuant to the Bylaws. Initial officers and directors shall be eligible for reelection and no term limitations apply.

Article VIII

The period of duration for the corporation is perpetual.

Article IX

Upon dissolution of the corporation, the Board of Directors shall, after paying or making provisions for the payment of all of the liabilities of the corporation, dispose of all of the assets of the corporation exclusively for the purposes of the corporation in such manner, or to such charitable, educational, religious, literary, or scientific purposes as shall at the time qualify as an exempt organization or organizations under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, or the corresponding provision of any future United States Internal Revenue Law, as the Board of Directors shall determine. And 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 then located, exclusively for such purpose or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes. Ark Code Ann. §4-33-150.

Signed this 1st day of December, 2015.


James D. Gingerich
Incorporator