

**Articles of Incorporation
of
Howell Engineering & Surveying, Inc.**

Pursuant to the provisions of the Alabama Business Corporation Act under §10-2B-1, *et. seq.*, Code of Alabama, 1975, the undersigned hereby adopts the following *Articles of Incorporation*:

Article I

The name of the corporation shall be: **Howell Engineering & Surveying, Inc.**

Article II

Duration: The corporation is to have perpetual existence.

Article III

Purposes: The objects and purposes for which the said corporation is formed and the objects to be carried on and promoted by it are as follows:

- To engage in and conduct the business of professional engineering and land surveying.
- To have and exercise those corporate powers set out in §10-2B-3.02 and 3.03, Code of Alabama, 1975.
- To do any and all things herein set forth as principal, agent, contractor, trustee, or otherwise, alone or in company with others, and to do any and all things necessary or incidental to its protection and benefit and in general to carry on any lawful business necessary or incidental to the attainment of its purposes, whether

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such business is similar in nature to powers hereinabove set forth or otherwise.

- To carry out the purposes hereinabove set forth in any State, Territory, District or Possession of the United States or in any foreign country.

Article IV

Authorized Stock: The number of shares which the corporation shall have authority to issue is One Thousand (1,000).

Article V

Registered Office/Agent: The name and addresses of the initial registered agent and office of the corporation are:

Registered Agent for Service of Process:

William L. Howell
2100 Riverchase Center - Ste 316
Hoover, AL 35244

Principal Office of the Corporation:

2100 Riverchase Center - Ste 316
Hoover, AL 35244

Article VI

Board Of Directors: The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be one (1) and not more than three (3). The names and addresses of the person(s) who are to serve as Directors until the first annual meeting of the shareholders, or until their successors are elected and shall qualify are:

William L. Howell
2100 Riverchase Center - Ste 316
Hoover, AL 35244

Article VII

The corporation shall have the power to make bylaws for regulation and government of the corporation, its agents, servants and officers; and for all other purposes not inconsistent with the Constitution and laws of the State of Alabama.

The duties of the officers of the corporation shall be fixed in the bylaws.

Article VIII

Incorporator: The name and address of the incorporator is:

William L. Howell
2100 Riverchase Center - Ste 316
Hoover, AL 35244

In Witness Whereof, the undersigned incorporator has subscribed his name to these Articles of Incorporation on this 9th day of August, 2000.


William L. Howell

State of Alabama)
Jefferson County)

On this 5TH day of August, 2000 before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, personally appeared William L. Howell, known to me to be the person described in and who signed the foregoing *Articles of Incorporation*; he duly acknowledged before me that he signed same as his free act and deed, and for the purposes expressed therein.


Notary Public

Articles of Incorporation Prepared By:

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STATE OF ALABAMA

I, Jim Bennett, Secretary of State of the State of Alabama, having custody of the Great and Principal Seal of said State, do hereby certify that

pursuant to the provisions of Section 10-2B-4.02, Code of Alabama 1975, and upon an examination of the corporation records on file in this office, the following corporate name is reserved as available:

Howell Engineering & Surveying, Inc.

This domestic corporation name is proposed to be incorporated in Shelby County and is for the exclusive use of William L. Howell, 2100 Riverchase Ctr Ste 316, Hoover, AL 35244 for a period of one hundred twenty days beginning August 1, 2000 and expiring November 30, 2000.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State, at the Capitol, in the City of Montgomery, on this day.



August 1, 2000

Date

Jim Bennett

Secretary of State

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