STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF SHELBY

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Articles of Incorporation

of

Credence, Inc.

Know all men by these presents,

That I, Shafiq Samji and Karim Nasiruddin, the undersigned incorporator, for the purpose of forming a corporation pursuant to the provisions of the <u>Code of Alabama</u> (1975), as amended, do hereby adopt these Articles of Incorporation, the same to constitute a charter for carrying on the business hereinafter specified.

ARTICLE I

Name of the corporation: The name of the corporation shall be Credence, Inc.

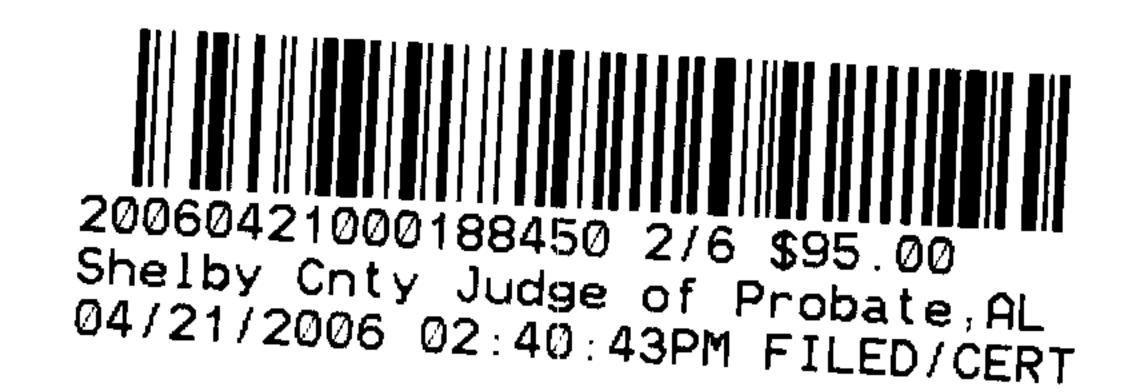
ARTICLE II

Purposes: The nature of the business and the purposes for which the corporation is formed shall be as follows:

(1) To own, operate, and manage convenience stores and all other legal business enterprises.

ARTICLE III

Registered office and agent: The address of the initial registered office of the Corporation shall be 41690 Highway 25, Vincent, Alabama, 35178, and the initial registered agent at such address shall be **Karim Nasiruddin**, but the Corporation may have other offices or places of business wherever desired.



ARTICLE IV

Duration: The duration of the Corporation shall be perpetual unless the Corporation is dissolved by law or otherwise terminated.

ARTICLE V

Shares: The Corporation shall be authorized to issue 100 common shares having a par value of One and No/100 (\$1.00) Dollars each.

ARTICLE VI

(1) Incorporators: The names and the post office addresses of the incorporators are as follows:

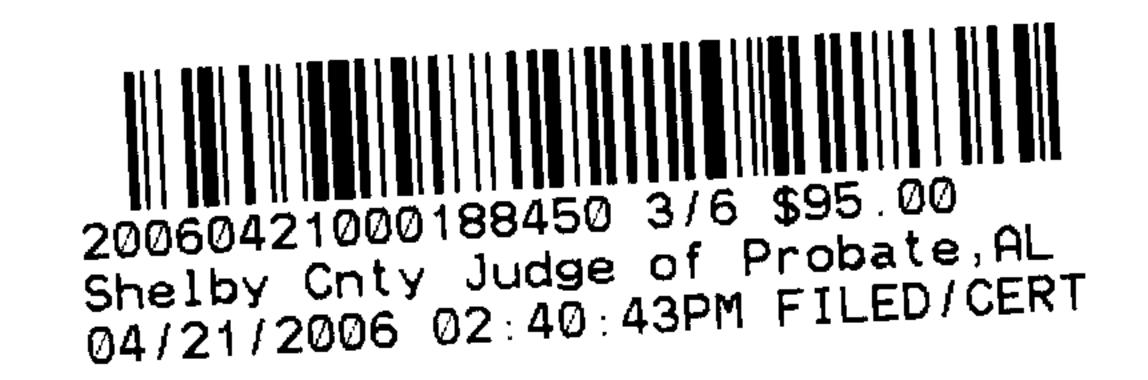
Karim Nasiruddin 523 Foothills Ledge Chelsea, Alabama 35178

Shafiq Shamji 2521 Wood Circle Hoover, Alabama 35244

(2) Directors: The initial board of directors shall consist of two (2) directors, and such number thereafter as may be fixed by the bylaws. The name and address of the person who is to serve as director until the first meeting of the shareholders, or until their successors are elected and qualified, is as follows:

Karim Nasiruddin 523 Foothills Ledge Chelsea, Alabama 35178

Shafiq Samji 2521 Wood Circle Hoover, Alabama 35244



ARTICLE VII

- (1) Voting: At any meeting of the shareholders of the Corporation, the shareholders of record shall be entitled to one vote for each share standing in his name. Shares may be voted by the shareholders only in person.
- (2) Management: The business and affairs of the Corporation shall be managed and conducted in accordance with the bylaws of the Corporation.
- (3) Shares Nonassessable: The shares of the Corporation, when fully paid for in accordance with the subscription therefor, shall be fully paid and nonassessable; and in no case shall any shareholder be liable other than for the unpaid shares subscribed for by him.
- (4) Lien on Shares: The Corporation shall have a lien on the shares of a shareholder for any debt or liability owed to it by him before a notice of transfer or levy on such shares is received by the Corporation. The Corporation shall have the rights with respect to the lien conferred by the laws of the State of Alabama.
- (5) Amendments: The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision of these Articles of Incorporation in the manner provided by law; and all rights conferred upon the officers, directors, and shareholders of the Corporation are granted subject to this reservation.

In witness whereof, I, the said incorporator, have hereunto set my hand on this the $\frac{18}{8}$ day of _______, 2006.

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Shafiq Samji

Karim Nasiruddin

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I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that **Shafiq Samji**, whose name is signed to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date that, being informed of the contents

of said Articles of Incorporation, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Given under my hand and official seal on this the 18 day of 1811, 2006.

Notary Public Telson

My commission expires: 4-15-08

STATE OF ALABAMA

SHELBY COUNTY

I, the undersigned authority, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that **Karim Nasiruddin**, whose name is signed to the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, and who is known to me, acknowledged before me on this date that, being informed of the

contents of said Articles of Incorporation, executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.

Notary Public
My commission expires: 14-1508

THIS INSTRUMENT PREPARED BY:

Kemmer & Kemmer, P.C. P.O. Box 282 1124 Walnut Street Centreville, Alabama 35042 (205) 926-5304

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I, Nancy L. Worley, 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:

Credence, Inc.

This domestic corporation name is proposed to be incorporated in Jefferson County and is for the exclusive use of Michael Shell, 54 Hazel St, Centreville, AL 35042 for a period of one hundred twenty days beginning February 2, 2006 and expiring June 3, 2006.

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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.

February 2, 2006

Date

Nancy L. Worley

Secretary of State