

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
OF
TEXAS CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION - STATE

We, the undersigned natural people over the age of eighteen (18), acting as incorporators, desiring to form a Non-Profit Corporation under the Non-Profit Corporation Law of Texas, do hereby certify and adopt the following Articles of Incorporation of Texas Citizen Police Academy Alumni Association (referred to herein as the "TCPAAA") under the Texas Non-Profit Corporation Act (referred to herein as the "Act").

ARTICLE I
NAME

The name of the Corporation is TEXAS CITIZEN POLICE ACADEMY ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, is also known as the TCPAAA and herein after may be used as TCPAAA or Association.

ARTICLE II
NON-PROFIT CORPORATION

TCPAAA is a non-profit corporation and does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit.

MISSION

The mission and objective of the TCPAAA shall be

- a. to present and promote a continuing positive image of all law enforcement, and its constitutionally mandated functions.
- b. to support and assist all law enforcement by lessening the burdens of government fighting crime and delinquency.

PURPOSE

This organization is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational or scientific purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

No part of the net earnings of the organization will inure to the benefit of, or be distributed to its members, trustees, officers, or other private persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of these purposes.

ARTICLE III
DURATION

The period of its duration is perpetual.

ARTICLE IV
PURPOSES

The purposes for which TCPAAA is organized are to receive and maintain a fund or funds of real or personal property, or both, and subject to the restrictions and limitations set forth in these Articles of Incorporation, to use and apply the whole or any part of the income and principal exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific, literary, or educational purposes either directly or by contributions to organizations that qualify as exempt organizations under Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code (referred to herein as "Code") and its regulations as they now or hereafter may be amended.

It is the principal purpose of TCPAAA to provide an organization for an educational forum for the exchange of information and ideas between local and/or regional Alumni Associations at an annual convention; to assist in the growth and development each annual convention; and to direct communications, services and mutual aid among its members which will improve their ability to serve the needs of their local community and law enforcement.

ARTICLE V POWERS

Except as otherwise provided in these Articles TCPAAA shall have all of the powers provided in the Act.

ARTICLE VI RESTRICTIONS AND REQUIREMENTS

TCPAAA shall not pay dividends or other corporate income to its directors or officers or other private individuals or otherwise accrue distributable profits or permit the realization of private gain. However, reasonable compensation may be paid for services rendered to or for TCPAAA affecting one or more of its purposes. TCPAAA shall have no power to take any action prohibited by the Act.

TCPAAA shall have no power to take any action that would be inconsistent with the requirements for a tax exemption under Section 501(c)(3) of the Code and related regulations, rulings and procedures. TCPAAA shall have no power to take any action that would be inconsistent with the requirements for receiving tax deductible charitable contributions under Section 170(c)(2), and related regulations rulings, and procedures. Regardless of any other provision in these Articles of Incorporation or state law, TCPAAA shall have no power to:

1. Engage in activities or use its assets in any manner that is not in furtherance of one or more exempt purposes, as defined by the Code, and related regulations, rulings, and procedures, except to an insubstantial degree.
2. Serve a private interest other than one that is clearly incidental to an overriding public interest.
3. Devote more than an insubstantial part of its activities to attempting to influence legislation by propaganda or otherwise, except as provided by the Code and related regulations, rulings, and procedures.
4. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by an organization exempt from Federal income tax under section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code.
5. Have objectives that characterize it as an "action organization" as defined by the Code and related regulations, rulings, and procedures.
6. Upon dissolution of the organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future Federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations which are organized and operated exclusively for 501(c)(3) purposes.

7. Permit any part of the net earnings of TCPAAA to inure to the benefit of any private individual.

8. Carry on an unrelated trade or business except as a secondary purpose related to TCPAAA's primary, exempt, purposes.

TCPAAA shall make distributions at such time and in such manner as to avoid the tax under Section 4942 of the Code. TCPAAA shall not engage in any act of self-dealing as defined in Section 4941 of the Code. TCPAAA shall not retain excess business holdings as defined in Section 4943 of the Code. TCPAAA shall not make any investments that would subject it to the tax described in Section 4944 of the Code. TCPAAA shall not make any taxable expenditures as defined in Section 4945 of the Code.

ARTICLE VII MEMBERSHIP

TCPAAA shall have one or more classes of members as provided by the By Laws.

ARTICLE VIII INITIAL REGISTERED OFFICE AND AGENT

The street address of the initial registered office of the TCPAAA is 1400 Bradford Trace Drive, Allen TX 75002, and the name of the registered agent of such address is Dorris Murdock.

ARTICLE IX BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The qualifications, manner of selection, duties, terms, and other matters relating to the Board of Directors shall be provided by the By Laws. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of seven persons. The number of directors may be increased or decreased by adoption or amendment of the By Laws. The initial Board of Directors shall consist of the following persons at the following address:

<u>Name of Director</u>	<u>Street Address</u>
President: Ben Hernandez	926 Shadow Point League City, TX 77573
1st Vice President: David Miller	3825 Meadowlark Way Pearland, TX 77584
2nd Vice President: Terry Williams	2115 South 3rd Street Waco, TX 76706
3rd Vice President: Joe Munoz	PO Box 689001 Austin, TX 78768
4th Vice President: Dorris Murdock	1400 Bradford Trace Dr. Allen, TX 75002
Treasurer: Mildred Deal	443 Wood Fern Dr. Cleveland, TX 77327
Secretary:	

ARTICLE X LIMITATION ON LIABILITY OF DIRECTORS

A director is not liable to TCPAAA or members for monetary damages for an act or omission in the director's capacity as a director except to the extent otherwise provided by a statute of the State of Texas.

