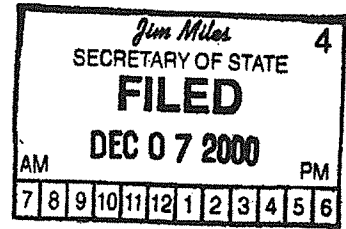


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STATE OF SOUTH CAROLINA  
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NONPROFIT CORPORATION  
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION



1. The name of the nonprofit corporation is **Leatherleaf Property Owners' Association**
2. The initial registered office of the nonprofit corporation is 11746 Highway 17 Bypass  
Street & Number,  
Murrells Inlet Georgetown S.C. 29576  
City, County, State, Zip Code

The name of the registered agent of the nonprofit corporation at that office is:

Hampton Pitts

3. Check (a), (b), or (c) whichever is applicable. Check only one box.
- a.  The nonprofit corporation is a public benefit corporation.
- b.  The nonprofit corporation is a religious corporation.
- c.  The nonprofit corporation is a mutual benefit corporation.
4. Check (a) or (b), whichever is applicable:
- a.  This corporation will have members.
- b.  This corporation will not have members.
5. The address of the principal office of the nonprofit corporation is 11746 Highway 17 Bypass  
Street & Address,  
Murrells Inlet Georgetown S.C. 29576  
City, County, State, Zip Code
6. If this nonprofit corporation is either a public benefit or religious corporation (box a. or b. of ¶ 3. is checked), complete either (a) or (b), whichever is applicable, to describe how the remaining assets of the corporation will be distributed upon dissolution of the corporation.
- a.  Upon dissolution of the corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or the 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 asset not so disposed of shall be disposed of by the court of common pleas of the county in which the principal office of the corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as said court shall determine, which are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

- b.  Upon dissolution of the corporation, consistent with law, the remaining assets of the corporation shall be distributed to: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

7. If the corporation is a mutual benefit corporation (box "c" of ¶ 3. is checked), complete either (a) or (b), whichever is applicable, to describe how the [ remaining ] assets of the corporation will be distributed upon dissolution of the corporation.

- a.  Upon dissolution of the mutual benefit corporation the remaining assets shall be distributed to its members, or if it has no members, to those persons to whom the corporation holds itself out as benefitting or serving.

- b.  Upon dissolution of the mutual benefit corporation the [ remaining ] assets, consistent with law, shall be distributed to \_\_\_\_\_

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8. The optional provisions which the nonprofit corporation elects to include in the articles of incorporation are as follows (See § 33-31-202(c) of the 1976 South Carolina Code, the applicable comments thereto, and the instructions to this form):

- a. **Capitalized Words.** The use of capitalized words herein shall have the meanings attributed to them in the Declaration of Covenants, Conditions, and Restrictions for Leatherleaf, hereinafter the "Declaration," recorded or to be recorded in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Horry County, South Carolina.

- b. **Purpose.** This Association does not contemplate pecuniary gain or profit, and the specific, primary purposes for which it is formed are to provide for management, administration, maintenance and preservation of the Leatherleaf Property and the Common Areas thereof, all according to the Declaration. No part of the net earnings of the Association shall inure to the benefit of any person, other than for acquiring, constructing, or providing management,

maintenance, and care of Association property, and other than by a rebate of excess Association fees and assessments, if any.

- c. **Right to Appoint Directors and Officers.** The Declarant under the Declaration shall have the right to appoint or remove any member or members of the Board of Directors or any officer or officers of the Association until such time as the first of the following dates: (i) December 31, 2015; (ii) three (3) months after the conveyance by the Declarant, in the ordinary course of business to persons other than a successor Declarant, of ninety-five percent (95%) of the maximum number of Lots intended for development on all the Property as set forth in a Supplemental Declaration executed and filed Of Record by the Declarant on or before December 31, 2015; (iii) or three (3) months following the date the Declarant surrenders its authority to appoint directors of the Association by an express amendment to the Declaration executed and filed in the Office of the Register of Deeds for Horry County, South Carolina by the Declarant.
- d. **Membership.** Every person or entity who is a record owner of a fee or undivided fee interest in a Lot which is subject to the Declaration (including the Declarant) shall be a member of the Association. Until the expiration of the Declarant's right to appoint directors and officers of the Association pursuant to subparagraph c of this ¶ 8, the Declarant, and its successors and assigns, other than as an owner of a Lot, shall be a member of the Association. The membership of each owner of a Lot shall be appurtenant to and may not be separated from ownership of the Lot and ownership of a Lot shall be the sole qualification for such membership. In the event that fee title to a Lot is transferred or otherwise conveyed, the membership in the Association which is appurtenant thereto shall automatically pass to such transferee, notwithstanding any failure of the transferor to endorse to his transferee any certificates or other evidences of such membership. Any person or entity who holds an interest in a Lot merely as security for the performance of an obligation shall not be a member of this Association.
- e. **Voting Rights.** The Association shall have two (2) classes of voting membership. Members are divided into classes for the sole purpose of computing voting rights and shall not vote as a class.

**Class A.** Class A members of the Association shall be all owners of Lots (including the Declarant). A Type A Member shall be entitled to one (1) vote for each Lot owned. When more than one (1) person holds an interest in any Lot, all such persons shall be Members. The vote for such Lot shall be exercised as they among themselves determine as provided in the Declaration, but in no event shall more than one (1) vote be cast with respect to any Lot.

**Class B** The Type B member shall be the Declarant or its designated assign, in its capacity other than as an Owner of a Lot or Dwelling. The Type B member shall be entitled to three (3) votes for each vote held by Type A members, plus one (1) vote, until the expiration of the Declarant's right to appoint directors and officers of the Association pursuant to subparagraph c of this ¶ 8. Thereafter, the Type B member shall exercise votes only as to its Type A memberships.

9. The name and address (with zip code) of each incorporator is as follows (only one is required):

Name	Address (with zip code)
<u>Brian F. Kernaghan</u>	<u>2411 N. Oak Street, Suite 105, Myrtle Beach, SC 29577</u>

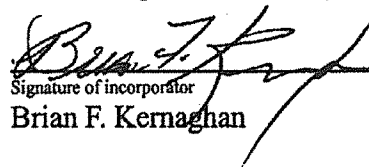
10. Each original director of the nonprofit corporation must sign the articles but only if the directors are named in these articles:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(only if named in articles) Signature of director

\_\_\_\_\_  
(only if named in articles) Signature of director

\_\_\_\_\_  
(only if named in articles) Signature of director

11. Each incorporator must sign the articles.

  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of incorporator  
Brian F. Kernaghan