
Iowa Secularists

Articles of Incorporation

ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION
Of
IOWA SECULARISTS

We, the undersigned, citizens of the State of Iowa, desiring to create a non-profit Corporation pursuant to the “Revised Iowa Nonprofit Corporation Act” do hereby adopt and execute the following Articles of Incorporation:

Article I
NAME

The name of this Corporation is Iowa Secularists, Incorporated.

Article II
DURATION

The period of duration of this Corporation shall be perpetual unless the Corporation is sooner dissolved or terminated as otherwise provided by law.

Article III
DISSOLUTION

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, all of its assets remaining after payment of creditors shall be distributed to one or more organizations selected by the Board of Directors which are qualified as exempt from taxation under the provisions of Sections 501(a), or any successor statutes, and which further the purposes set forth in Article IV. In no event shall any of the Corporation’s assets be distributed to the officers, directors or members of the Corporation.

Article IV
PURPOSES AND OBJECTIVES

The purpose for which this Corporation is organized is for the advancement of religion-free worldviews in the State of Iowa. The objectives of this Corporation are to act and operate exclusively as a nonprofit corporation pursuant to the laws of the State of Iowa; to create a community of Iowans without religion; to advance the public awareness and understanding of religion-free worldviews; to promote the separation of state and church through education and lobbying; and other objectives to be determined by the Board of Directors not inconsistent with these Articles or the Bylaws.

Article V
MEMBERS

This Corporation shall have members. The fees, rights and responsibilities of membership are stated in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Article VI
LOBBYING AND POLITICAL ACTIVITY

This Corporation shall engage in lobbying efforts which will further its exempt purposes. In no event shall the Corporation support or oppose any candidate for political office, nor shall it favor one political party over another.

Article VII
BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The management of the Corporation shall be vested in the Board of Directors. The Bylaws shall fix the number of persons constituting the board as well as their term of office and qualifications.

The number of Directors constituting the initial Board of Directors shall be three (3). Their names and addresses are as follows:

Brian J. Sabel
2212 Rochester Avenue
Iowa City, IA 52245

Jaime L. Sabel
2212 Rochester Avenue
Iowa City, IA 52245

Daren M. Jaques
2220 EP True Parkway
West Des Moines, IA 50265

Article VIII
PERSONAL LIABILITY

The members of the Corporation shall bear no personal responsibility for the obligations of the Corporation.

Article IX
AMENDMENTS

The Board of Directors is authorized to amend, alter, change or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation by the affirmative vote of a two-thirds majority of the Directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors provided all Directors were notified in advance of said vote.

Article X
BYLAWS

The Board of Directors is authorized to amend, alter, change or repeal the Bylaws of this Corporation by the affirmative vote of a simple majority of the Directors present at a meeting of the Board of Directors provided all Directors were notified in advance of said vote.

**Article XI
REGISTERED AGENT AND OFFICE**

The name and address of the Corporation's initial registered agent and office shall be:

Brian J. Sabel
2212 Rochester Avenue
Iowa City, IA 52245

I hereby acknowledge and accept appointment as registered agent for this Corporation:

Brian J. Sabel

Date

**Article XII
INCORPORATORS**

The names and addresses of the incorporators of the Corporation are as follows:

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The undersigned incorporators certify that they execute these articles for the purposes herein stated.

Brian J. Sabel

Jaime L. Sabel

Daren M. Jaques

Date

Date

Date

State of IOWA)
) SS.
County of JOHNSON)

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged by me this ____ day of _____, 2005.

Notary Public