

**ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION  
FOR THE  
CENTRAL VIRGINIA CHAPTER (27-3) OF THE COMBAT VETERANS MOTORCYCLE  
ASSOCIATION  
A NONSTOCK CORPORATION**

The undersigned person, pursuant to Chapter 10 of Title 13.1 of the Code of Virginia of 1950, as amended, hereby adopt and set forth the following articles of incorporation:

**Article I – Name**

The name of the Corporation is: Central Virginia Chapter (27-3) of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association

**Article II – Purpose and Powers**

The Corporation is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, or scientific purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, including, without limitation, in that our purpose is formed to provide a fraternal association for qualified veterans of past or present members of the Armed Forces of the United States, to raise awareness for the challenges faced by veterans, and their families, upon returning home from combat theaters, to raise awareness of veteran post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) and other visible and non-visible injuries, to raise awareness for the plight of Prisoners Of Wars and/or Missing In Action, to participate in activities of patriotic nature, to support veteran organizations, helping all veterans, and their families, in need throughout the Commonwealth of Virginia in any way we are able and to receive contributions in order to donate them to qualified non-profit organizations as outlined in in § 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended and exempt from taxation under in § 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended.

The Corporation shall not be operated for the primary purpose of carrying on a trade or business for profit and intends to apply for tax-exempt status upon incorporation. The Corporation shall have all powers granted under Va. Code Ann. § 13.1-826 and any other applicable statute.

**Article III – Limitations**

At all times, the following shall operate as conditions restricting the operations and activities of the Corporation:

1. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit or be distributed to any private person except the Corporation shall be authorized to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered and to make payment and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article II hereof;
2. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall consist of carrying on propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation nor shall it in any manner or to any extent participate in or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements), any political campaign on behalf

of any candidate for public office; nor shall the Corporation engage in any activities that are unlawful under the applicable federal, state, or local laws; and

3. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles, the Corporation shall neither have nor exercise any power, nor shall it directly or indirectly engage in any activity that would (1) prevent it from obtaining exemption from federal income taxation as a corporation described in § 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, or (2) cause it to lose such exempt status.

#### **Article IV – Members**

Membership is comprised exclusively of FULL MEMBERS, those with verified combat service in the Armed Forces of the United States, SUPPORT MEMBERS, who served in the Armed Forces of the United States but not with actual combat service and AUXILIARY MEMBERS who are spouses of FULL and SUPPORT members.

Qualification and classification of FULL MEMBERS, SUPPORT MEMBERS, and AUXILIARY MEMBERS are prescribed in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

Each FULL MEMBER shall be eligible to one vote. FULL MEMBERS must be present during election meetings to cast their vote to elect directors of the Corporation and other Association business/elections. Each SUPPORT MEMBER with at least one year of active participation will be eligible for one vote on strictly to Corporation business.

#### **Article V - Registered Agent and Registered Office**

The initial registered agent is an individual who is a resident of Virginia:  
Dale A. Fater, Chapter Secretary/Adjutant

The address of the initial registered office of the Corporation in the Commonwealth of Virginia is: 1104 Smithfield Ave., Hopewell, Virginia 23860, located in the Commonwealth of Virginia.

#### **Article VI - Principal Office**

The address of the principal office of the Corporation is located in Hopewell, VA at 1104 Smithfield Ave, Hopewell, VA 23860

#### **Article VII - Directors**

The directors of the Corporation are to be elected annually by a majority vote of its members during the annual meeting. The Board of Directors constitutes the Executive Board of the Corporation, responsible for the execution, through its officers of the authorized policies, by majority votes, fills vacancies in any office of the Board of Directors and submits to the associations meetings and recommendations affecting the policies of the association which have been previously approved. The Board of Directors is responsible for establishing the initial Bylaws of the Corporation, reporting Bylaws infractions, as well as actions taken, to the Virginia State Representative and/or the Regional

Representative and/or the National Board of Directors for their review. The number of directors constituting the initial Board of Directors is four (4); and, the name and address of each such director is as follows:

Chapter Commander / President: Jacob M. Morano, 9913 Williams Mill Rd, Chester VA 23831

Chapter Executive Officer / Vice-President: Marcus A. Smoot, 7306 Hammer Terrace, N. Chesterfield, VA 23824

Chapter Adjutant / Secretary: Dale A. Fater, 1104 Smithfield Ave., Hopewell VA 23860

Chapter Treasurer: Matthew Baumgarten, 12569 Flatfoot Rd., Stoney Creek VA 23882

The number of directors may be amended as provided in the Bylaws of the Corporation.

#### **Article VIII – Dissolution**

Upon the dissolution of the Corporation, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of § 501(c)(19) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now enacted or hereafter amended, 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 of by the Circuit Court of the city or 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.

The undersigned certifies that he is the Secretary / Adjutant of Central Virginia Chapter (27-3) of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, a Virginia nonprofit / nonstock corporation, and that as such he is authorized to execute this certificate on behalf of said Corporation, and further certifies that the foregoing Articles of Incorporation, consisting of 8 articles and 2 pages, including this page constitute the Articles of Incorporation of the Corporation as of this date, duly adopted by the Directors of the Corporation at their executive meeting on 9 October 2013, as amended from time to time prior to the date hereof. In witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name this 10th day of October, 2013.

Dale A. Fater

Chapter Adjutant / Secretary / Incorporator

Central Virginia Chapter (27-3) of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association

**COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION**

AT RICHMOND, FEBRUARY 25, 2019

**ORDER OF REINSTATEMENT**

The corporate existence of Central Virginia Chapter (27-3) of the Combat Veterans Motorcycle Association, a domestic corporation, was automatically terminated on May 31, 2018. The corporation has filed an application for reinstatement and has otherwise complied with the applicable requirements of law.

Therefore, it is ORDERED that the existence of the aforementioned corporation is reinstated.

STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

By



Judith Williams Jagdmann  
Commissioner

CC: CAMERON HARBISON  
PO BOX 5700  
FORT LEE, VA 23801

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COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA  
STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

Office of the Clerk

February 25, 2019

CAMERON HARBISON  
PO BOX 5700  
FORT LEE, VA 23801

RECEIPT

RE: Central Virginia Chapter (27-3) of the Combat  
Veterans Motorcycle Association

ID: 0773915 - 4

DCN: 19-02-20-1469

This receipt acknowledges payment of \$70.00 to cover the fee for filing an application for reinstatement with this office.

The order of reinstatement was entered on February 25, 2019.

Unless a statement of change was submitted with the reinstatement application, we strongly recommend verifying the registered agent and registered office information on file in the Clerk's Office by visiting [sccfile.scc.virginia.gov](http://sccfile.scc.virginia.gov) or contacting this office.

The next annual registration fee and annual report will be due by January 31, 2020.

If you have any questions, please call (804) 371-9733 or toll-free in Virginia, (866) 722-2551.

Sincerely,

Joel H. Peck  
Clerk of the Commission

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