

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

(General Laws, Chapter 180)

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Examiner

Name
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ARTICLE I

The exact name of the corporation is:

American Legion Auxiliary Unit ----- and name

ARTICLE II

The purpose of the corporation is to engage in the following activities:

To uphold and defend the constitution of the United States of America; to maintain law and order; to foster and perpetuate a one hundred percent Americanism; to preserve the memories and incidents of our associations during the Great Wars; to inculcate a sense of individual obligation to the community, state and nation; to combat the autocracy of both the classes and the masses; to make right the master of might; to promote peace and goodwill on earth; to safeguard and transmit to posterity the principles of justice, freedom, and democracy; to participate in and contribute to the accomplishment of the aims and purposes of The American Legion; to consecrate and sanctify our association by our devotion to mutual helpfulness.

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Note: If the space provided under any article or item on this form is insufficient, additions shall be set forth on one side only of separate 8 1/2 x 11 sheets of paper with a left margin of at least 1 inch. Additions to more than one article may be made on a single sheet so long as each article requiring each addition is clearly indicated.

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ARTICLE III

A corporation may have one or more classes of members. If it does, the designation of such classes, the manner of election or appointments, the duration of membership and the qualification and rights, including voting rights, of the members of each class, may be set forth in the by-laws of the corporation or may be set forth below:

Senior members over the age of 18

Junior Members under the age of 18

ARTICLE IV

**Other lawful provisions, if any, for the conduct and regulation of the business and affairs of the corporation, for its voluntary dissolution, or for limiting, defining, or regulating the powers of the corporation, or of its directors or members, or of any class of members, are as follows:

The organization is governed by the Constitution and Bylaws of the National Organization, The American Legion Auxiliary. It is also governed by "Robert's Rules", when they do not conflict with those of the National Organization.

ARTICLE V

The by-laws of the corporation have been duly adopted and the initial directors, president, treasurer and clerk or other presiding, financial or recording officers, whose names are set out on the following page, have been duly elected.

**If there are no provisions, state "None".

Note: The preceding four (4) articles are considered to be permanent and may only be changed by filing appropriate Articles of Amendment.