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It is hereby certified that the Secretary of State of Ohio has custody of the business records for
CITIZENS FOR CHANGE POLITICAL ACTION COMMITTEE

and, that said business records show the filing and recording of:

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United States of America
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Witness my hand and the seal of the
Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio this
21st day of July, A.D. 2021.

Ohio Secretary of State

Form 532B Prescribed by:



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Initial Articles of Incorporation
(Nonprofit, Domestic Corporation)
Filing Fee: \$99
(114-ARN)
Form Must Be Typed

First: Name of Corporation

Second: Location of Principal Office in Ohio

City

State

County

Optional: Effective Date (MM/DD/YYYY)

(The legal existence of the corporation begins upon the filing of the articles or on a later date specified that is not more than ninety days after filing.)

Third: Purpose for which corporation is formed

To conduct and carryout not-for-profit work of the Corporation exclusively as a political organization in a manner consistent with section 527 of the internal revenue code of 1986, and any and all regulations promulgated thereunder.

**** Note:** for Nonprofit Corporations: The Secretary of State does not grant tax exempt status. Filing with our office is not sufficient to obtain state or federal tax exemptions. Contact the Ohio Department of Taxation and the Internal Revenue Service to ensure that the nonprofit corporation secures the proper state and federal tax exemptions. These agencies may require that a purpose clause be provided. ******

**** Note:** ORC Chapter 1702 allows for additional provisions to be included in the Articles of Incorporation that are filed with this office. If including any of these additional provisions, please do so by including them in an attachment to this form. ******

Original Appointment of Statutory Agent

The undersigned, being at least a majority of the incorporators of

Citizens for Change Political Action Committee

(Name of Corporation)

hereby appoint the following to be Statutory Agent upon whom any process, notice or demand required or permitted by statute to be served upon the corporation may be served. The complete address of the agent is:

ALEX WILSON

(Name of Statutory Agent)

5149 ANTHONY STREET

(Mailing Address)

MAPLE HEIGHTS

(Mailing City)

OH

(Mailing State)

44137

(Mailing ZIP Code)

Must be signed by
the incorporators or
a majority of the
incorporators.

SARAH BRANDON

(Signature)

(Signature)

(Signature)

Acceptance of Appointment

The Undersigned,

ALEX WILSON

(Name of Statutory Agent)

, named herein as the

Statutory agent for

Citizens for Change Political Action Committee

(Name of Corporation)

hereby acknowledges and accepts the appointment of statutory agent for said corporation.

Statutory Agent Signature

ALEX WILSON

(Individual Agent's Signature / Signature on Behalf of Business Serving as Agent)

By signing and submitting this form to the Ohio Secretary of State, the undersigned hereby certifies that he or she has the requisite authority to execute this document.

Required

Articles and original appointment of agent must be signed by the incorporator(s).

If the incorporator is an individual, then they must sign in the "signature" box and print his/her name in the "Print Name" box.

If the incorporator is a business entity, not an individual, then please print the entity name in the "signature" box, an authorized representative of the business entity must sign in the "By" box and print his/her name and title/authority in the "Print Name" box.

Signature

By (if applicable)

Print Name

Signature

By (if applicable)

Print Name

Signature

By (if applicable)

Print Name

Articles of Incorporation and Bylaws for Citizens for Change Political Action Committee

Article I

Name

The name of this organization shall be Citizens for Change Political Action Committee, hereafter referred to as the "PAC".

Article II

Principal Office and Address

The Principal Office of the PAC shall be located at 5149 Anthony Street, Maple Heights, Ohio 44137.

Article III

Organization

The PAC shall be an individual-supported, voluntary, nonprofit, unincorporated committee. The PAC is not affiliated with any political party, and operated in accordance with the provisions of Chapter Six of the Ohio Election Code and Title 11 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

Article IV

Purposes and Powers

The PAC is organized and shall be operated exclusively for the following political purposes:

1. To provide the opportunity for individuals to contribute to the support of candidates for federal or state office who by their activities, personal conduct and record of performance have demonstrated their concern for and interest in promoting the principles to which this industry is dedicated.
2. To help elect and keep in office federal and state public officials and candidates, without regard to party affiliation, who support legislative priorities that promote the similar ideals of the PAC.
3. To promote political education and participation in the political process among members of the PAC.
4. To solicit, directly and indirectly, and accept, voluntary personal contributions, and to make expenditures and distributions in connection with the election of candidates to federal and state office in accordance with all applicable federal and state laws.

Article V

Contributions

The PAC is authorized to solicit and accept contributions from any individual from whom contributions may be lawfully solicited. Foreign nationals (individuals who are not citizens of the United States, are not lawfully admitted for permanent residence or are foreign principals) are prohibited from contributing to the PAC.

The PAC shall not solicit nor accept any corporate contributions to be used for "direct contributions to state or federal candidates for public office." However, corporate contributions may be accepted on a limited basis to pay for the administrative expenses and solicitation efforts of the PAC.

All contributions to the PAC are voluntary, and no contribution to the PAC shall be solicited or secured by physical force, job discrimination, or fear of reprisal, or threat thereof, or as a condition of employment.

All funds shall be solicited with the intended political purpose of providing direct financial contributions to candidates for federal or state public office.

Federal law requires the PAC to use its best efforts to collect and report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$200 in a calendar year. State law requires the PAC to report the name, mailing address, occupation and name of employer of individuals whose contributions exceed \$10 in a calendar year.

Contributors to the PAC have no membership status in the PAC, and will not have any vested interest or property rights to the monies of the PAC. Contributors shall have no voting rights as to any distributions made to candidates.

Contributions to the PAC are not deductible as charitable contributions for Federal income tax purposes.

Article VI

Distributions to Candidates and Political Committees

Distribution of PAC funds will be made directly to individuals (or their campaign committees) who have publicly announced that they are candidates for nomination or election to federal or state elective public offices for use by such individuals to further their candidacies.

Distributions of PAC funds to candidates and other Political Action Committees shall be at the sole discretion of the Board of Trustees of the Committee.

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All distributions made by the PAC shall be by check drawn on an account maintained by the PAC. No distribution shall be made if such distribution would in any way violate the provisions of the Federal Election Code, Texas Election Code or other applicable laws.

The Board of Trustees shall adopt operating policies and procedures with respect to the solicitation, collection and distribution of all contributions to the PAC. Such policies and procedures may be amended from time to time.

No distribution shall be made, by or on behalf of the PAC, without approval of a majority vote of the Trustees. However, the PAC Chairman and Treasurer are authorized to make distributions between meetings of the Trustees. A report of such distributions shall be made to the Trustees at the next meeting. Any theft of the funds will lead to termination from the Trustees and possibly submitted for criminal prosecution.

Article VII

Board of Trustees

The governing body of the PAC shall be the Board of Trustees, composed of the Board President and at least three other individuals appointed by the Board President. The Trustees shall establish basic guidelines and policies with respect to expenditures to be made by the PAC, and to direct distributions to specific candidates. The Trustees shall determine the procedures for collection and distribution of funds to the candidates and political committees that the PAC shall support and the amount of all expenditures and disbursements.

Article VIII

Officers

The officers of the PAC shall be the President, Vice President, Secretary and Treasurer. The President and Vice President of the PAC shall be appointed annually by the officers of the PAC. The President shall preside at all meetings of the Trustees and shall provide leadership, guidance and direct the political purpose and activities of the PAC. The President shall act as President in the absence of the President, and when so acting shall have the power and authority of the President.

The Treasurer shall be the chief financial officer of the PAC and shall be responsible for the collection and reporting of all contributions and disbursements in accordance with all applicable requirements of federal and state laws. In addition, the Treasurer shall administer the day to day operations of the PAC, shall keep full and accurate records of all account transactions, shall present financial statements, and shall prepare, sign and submit all reports to the governmental authorities as required by law.

An Assistant Treasurer may be appointed by the Trustees to act in the absence of the Treasurer, and when so acting shall have all the power and authority of the Treasurer. The Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer shall be bonded.

Article IX

Meetings

The Trustees shall meet at least three times each year, including an annual meeting. Special meetings of the Trustees may be called at anytime at the discretion of the President or upon the written request of four (4) Trustees. Special meetings may be held in person or by telephone conference. A majority of the Trustees present at a regular or called meeting shall constitute a quorum for transacting business.

Article X

Books, Records and Finances

The PAC shall maintain two primary financial accounts. One account shall be for contributions and distributions related to federal election activity and another account for contributions and distributions for state election activity. The state PAC account may act as a "collecting agent" for contributions to the federal PAC account. Otherwise, the PAC may not transfer funds between the two accounts.

The PAC shall keep accurate and timely financial records of all transactions. The Treasurer shall present a quarterly financial report to the Trustees showing the balances in the federal and state PAC accounts.

The funds of the PAC shall be deposited to the credit of the PAC in such banks and depositories as the Trustees may select. All PAC checks shall be signed by the Treasurer of the PAC. The fiscal year is January 1 – December 31.

Article XI

Amendments to Bylaws

These bylaws may be amended from time to time by a majority vote of the Trustees.

Article XII

Dissolution

The PAC may be dissolved at any time by the majority vote of the Trustees. In the event of such dissolution, all funds contained in the PAC's federal and state accounts shall be distributed in accordance with applicable federal and state law.

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