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State of North Carolina
Department of the Secretary of State

Limited Liability Company
ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION

Pursuant to §57C-2-20 of the General Statutes of North Carolina, the undersigned does hereby submit these Articles of Organization for the purpose of forming a limited liability company.

1. The name of the limited liability company is: LEJ OF HICKORY, LLC
2. If the limited liability company is to dissolve by a specific date, the latest date on which the limited liability company is to dissolve: *(If no date for dissolution is specified, there shall be no limit on the duration of the limited liability company.)* 11/12/2052
3. The name and address of each person executing these articles of organization is as follows: *(State whether each person is executing these articles of organization in the capacity of a member, organizer or both).*

James D. Dietz, Jr. (Member/Organizer) 880 18th Ave. Ct. NW Hickory, NC 28601	Deborah A. Dietz (Member/Organizer) 880 18th Ave. Ct. NW Hickory, NC 28601
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4. The street address and county of the initial registered office of the limited liability company is:

Number and Street 1729 North Center Street

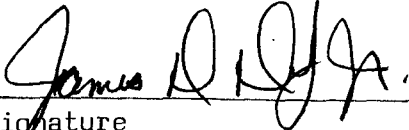
City, State, Zip Code Hickory, NC 28601 County Catawba
5. The mailing address *if different from the street address* of the initial registered office is:
6. The name of the initial registered agent is: James D. Dietz, Jr.
7. Check one of the following:

☒ (i) **Member-managed LLC**: all members by virtue of their status as members shall be managers of this limited liability company.

☐ (ii) **Manager-managed LLC**: except as provided by N.C.G.S. Section 57C-3-20(a), the members of this limited liability company shall not be managers by virtue of their status as members.
8. Any other provisions which the limited liability company elects to include are attached.

9. These articles will be effective upon filing, unless a date and/or time is specified:

This is the 12 day of November ~~xx~~ 2002

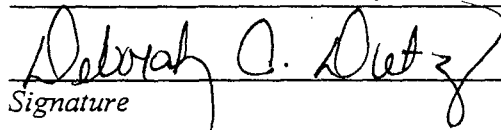


Signature

James D. Dietz, Jr.

Member/Manager

ORGANIZER



Signature

Deborah A. Dietz, Member/Manager

Type or Print Name and Title **ORGANIZER**

NOTES:

1. Filing fee is \$125. This document and one exact or conformed copy of these articles must be filed with the Secretary of State.

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(Form L-01)

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