SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA DIVISION- USFA

Articles of organization

Name of the Organization

The name of this organization is The Southern California Division of the United States Fencing Association.

Organization of the Southern California Division

The Southern California Division is organized exclusively for charitable, religious, educational, and/or scientific purposes under section 501 (c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

The Southern California Division is an organization dedicated to holding fencing tournaments, developing referees and in general, supporting fencing in the following geographical areas in California: Kern County, San Luis Obispo County, Santa Barbara County, Ventura County and Los Angeles County, except for the cities of La Verne, San Dimas, Pomona and Diamond Bar, which belong to the San Bernadino Division, and that part of Los Angeles County which lies south of the 91 freeway and east of the 710 freeway, which belongs to the Orange Coast Division.

Officers

The officers in the Southern California Division should be 4 but may be less in the event that some positions are unable to be filled. These officers are: Chairperson, Vice Chairperson, Secretary, and Treasurer.

Compliance with By-Laws

The Southern California Division will comply with all by-laws of the Southern California Division as well as those of the United States Fencing Association.

Distribution

No part of the net earnings of the organization shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, trustees, officers, directors or other persons, except that the organization shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to the organization and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth herein. No substantial part of the activities of the organization shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the organization shall not participate in, or intervene in (including the publishing or distribution of statements) any political campaign on behalf of or in opposition to any candidate for public office. The organization shall not carry on any other activities not permitted to be carried on (a) by a organization exempt from Federal income tax under 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended or the corresponding provision of any future Federal Internal Revenue tax code, or (b) by an organization, contributions to which are deductible under section 170(c)(2) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code.

Dissolution of the Southern California Division-USFA

Upon the dissolution of the Southern California Division organization, assets shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code, or corresponding section of any future federal tax code, or shall be distributed to the federal government or to a state or local government for a public purpose.

Officers

The name and address in the State of **California** of this organization's initial agent for service of process is the Chairperson, Tigran Shaginian, 132 S. Glenoaks Blvd., Burbank, CA 91502, for so long as he is the Chairperson, and thereafter, his successors, any current Chairperson.

Tigran	Shaginian,	Chairperson

Date