

2 **CHAPTER 1**
3 **ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION**

4 **ARTICLE I**
5 **Name**

6 The name of the corporation is: Kentucky Public Retirees, Inc.
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8 **ARTICLE II**
9 **Purpose**

10 The purpose or purposes for which said corporation is formed are:

- 11 a. To provide an opportunity for all former state and county employees who are presently
12 receiving retirement benefits and those who would be eligible for immediate benefits if they
13 elected to retire to join together in a common organization formed and dedicated for the
14 purposes of their general welfare.
- 15 b. To coordinate and to offer all necessary and desirable assistance directed toward the
16 preservation and improvement in public pension plans in the state.
- 17 c. To represent its members and all eligible persons for membership before public bodies such
18 as the Kentucky General Assembly.
- 19 d. To offer its corporate knowledge and communicative skills for the purpose of informing the
20 public on the status and progress of all public retirement programs in the state of Kentucky,
21 as they relate to the total public retirement plan of such eligible members.
- 22 e. To provide, when called upon, advice and recommendations to public officials in the
23 administration of public affairs.
- 24 f. To establish an authority, through which its members may receive special group benefits,
25 such as insurance, discounts, and travel opportunities.
- 26 g. To form local affiliates and to associate with similar type organizations on the two levels of
27 government, state and local, as approved by its governing body and shall continue in
28 operation until voted out of existence.
- 29 h. To accept any gifts, devises or bequests of money or property or of the income
30 therefrom, whether such gift, devise or bequest be in fee or in trust, for such uses and
31 trusts as may be agreed upon between KPR and the donor or testator.
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34 **ARTICLE III**
35 **Duration**

36 The duration of the corporation shall be perpetual.
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38 **ARTICLE IV**
39 **Location**

40 The place in Kentucky where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is Frankfort,
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ARTICLE V
Membership

The membership of the Kentucky Public Retirees, Inc., shall consist of individuals who are eligible as set forth in the bylaws of the corporation. Local chapter membership shall also be recognized as provided for in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VI
Board of Directors

The Board of Directors shall be elected initially at a called meeting of all interested persons and hold office until the first Annual Meeting. Thereafter the Board shall consist of such officers and appointees as provided in the bylaws of the corporation. Terms of service and frequency of meetings of the board shall be as specified in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VII
Officers

The Officers of the corporation shall be elected at the Annual Meeting by the members present and eligible to vote from the membership and shall consist of President, Vice President/President Elect, Secretary, and Treasurer, and other necessary officers as provided in the bylaws. Thereafter the officers and the frequency of their election shall be as provided in the bylaws of the corporation. The registered agent of the corporation shall be selected as provided in the bylaws.

ARTICLE VIII
Dues

Each member and each club shall pay dues annually as prescribed in the bylaws of KPR.

ARTICLE IX
Bylaws

Bylaws not inconsistent with these Articles of Incorporation which embody the less permanent features of the governance of KPR shall be adopted along with said Articles which together shall operate as the authority and guidelines under which this organization shall operate. The Bylaws may be amended after the Board has first approved the proposed amendment. The Board shall have a ballot with an explanation of the proposed amendment prepared and mailed to every KPR member of record. The membership shall have 60 days from the date of mailing to vote on the proposed amendment. A simple majority of the ballots returned within the 60-day period shall be required for the adoption of amendments to the bylaws.

92 **ARTICLE X**
94 **Amendment of Articles of Incorporation**

96 These Articles of Incorporation may be amended only after the Board has first approved the
98 proposed amendment. The Board shall have a ballot with an explanation of the proposed
100 amendment prepared and mailed to every KPR member of record. The membership shall have
60 days from the date of mailing to vote on the proposed amendment. A simple majority of the
ballots returned within the 60-day period shall be required for the adoption of amendments to
these Articles of Incorporation.

102 Signed and notarized August 16, 1983.
Received and filed by the Secretary of State of Kentucky, August 16, 1983.

106 **First Amendment:**

108 Name changed from Kentucky Association of Public Annuitants, Inc. to Kentucky Public
Retirees, Inc.

110 Received and filed by the Secretary of State of Kentucky, June 24, 1992.
Recorded by Franklin County Clerk in Articles of Incorporation Book 31, page 362 on
112 June 29, 1992.

114 **Second Amendment:**

Articles VI, VII, IX and X amended to permit flexibility.
116 Received and filed by the Secretary of State of Kentucky, July 5, 1995.
Recorded by Franklin County Clerk in Articles of Incorporation Book 36, page 47 on July 5,
118 1995.