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To the Hon. Commissioner of Patents & Trademarks: Please record the attached original documents or copy thereof.

1. Name of conveying party(ies):  
**THE WHITE STONE GROUP, LLC**

Individual(s)                       Association  
 General Partnership             Other  
 Limited Partnership  
 Limited Liability Company - Tennessee  
 Corporation -

Additional name(s) of conveying party(ies) attached?  
 Yes  No

2. Name and address of receiving party(ies):  
Name:  
**THE WHITE STONE GROUP, INC.**

Street Address:  
**7815 Kingston Pike, Suite 320  
Knoxville, TN 37919**

Individual(s) citizenship:  
 Association  
 General Partnership  
 Limited Partnership  
 Limited Liability Company  
 Corporation - **Tennessee**  
 Other

If assignee is not domiciled in the United States, a domestic representative designation is attached:  Yes  No

Additional name(s) & address(es) attached?  Yes  No

3. Nature of conveyance:

Assignment                                       Merger  
 Change of Name                                 Other  
 Security Agreement

Execution Date: **September 30, 2000**

4. Application number(s) or registration (numbers):

A. Trademark Application No(s).

B. Trademark Registration No(s).

2,205,480

Additional numbers attached?  Yes  No

5. Name and address of party to whom correspondence concerning document should be mailed:

**Andrew S. Neely, Esq.  
LUEDEKA, NEELY & GRAHAM, P.C.  
P. O. Box 1871  
Knoxville, TN 37901**

6. Total number of applications and registrations involved:  
**1**

7. Total fee (37 CFR 3.41).....\$40.00  
 Enclosed  
 Please charge to deposit account any missing or additional fee

8. Deposit Account No. **12-2355**

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9. Statement and signature.  
*To the best of my knowledge and belief, the foregoing information is true and correct and any attached copy is a true copy of the original document.*

**Andrew S. Neely 28,979**  
Name of Person Signing

Signature

Date

**11/26/01**

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on November 26, 2001  
Date

Andrew S. Neely, Reg. No. 28,979

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**CERTIFICATE AND ARTICLES OF MERGER OF THE WHITE STONE GROUP, LLC AND THE WHITE STONE GROUP, INC.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Tennessee Code Annotated §§48-244-103 and 48-21-107, this Certificate of Merger, effective as of 11:59 p.m. on September 30, 2000, is being filed by the undersigned in the Office of the Secretary of State of Tennessee in order to merge The White Stone Group, LLC, a Tennessee limited liability company, and The White Stone Group, Inc. a Tennessee corporation.

1. The entities intending to merge are: **The White Stone Group, LLC**, a Tennessee limited liability company, and **The White Stone Group, Inc.**, a Tennessee corporation.

2. The name of the limited liability company is **The White Stone Group, LLC**. The date of filing of its Amended and Restated Articles of Organization with the Tennessee Secretary of State was March 14, 1997.

3. The name of the corporation is **The White Stone Group, Inc.** The date of filing of its Amended and Restated Charter with the Tennessee Secretary of State was May 10, 2000.

4. An Agreement and Plan of Merger has been approved and executed by the requisite action of each of The White Stone Group, LLC (the "LLC") and The White Stone Group, Inc. (the "Corporation") by the unanimous approval of the Members of the LLC and by the Shareholders and Directors of the Corporation.

5. The principal office of the Corporation is:


The White Stone Group, Inc.  
7815 Kingston Pike, Suite 320  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919

6. This Certificate and Articles of Merger shall be effective as of 11:59 p.m. on September 30, 2000.

7. The surviving entity shall be: **The White Stone Group, Inc.**

8. The Agreement and Plan of Merger is on file at the Corporation's place of business, at the following address:

The White Stone Group, Inc.  
7815 Kingston Pike, Suite 320  
Knoxville, Tennessee 37919

  
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9. A copy of the Agreement and Plan of Merger will be furnished by the Corporation, on request and without cost, to any Member of the LLC or any Shareholder of the Corporation.

The White Stone Group, Inc. agrees that it may be served with process in the State of Tennessee in any action, suit or proceeding for the enforcement of any obligation of The White Stone Group, LLC and irrevocably appoints the Tennessee Secretary of State as its agent to accept service of process in any such action, suit, or proceeding (solely for purposes of accepting service of process). A copy of such process shall be mailed to The White Stone Group, Inc. at 7815 Kingston Pike, Suite 320, Knoxville, Tennessee 37919.

**THE WHITE STONE GROUP, INC., a  
Tennessee corporation**

**THE WHITE STONE GROUP, LLC, a  
Tennessee limited liability company**

By: [Signature]  
Its: SECRETARY

By: [Signature]  
Its: SECRETARY

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