

2 **CHAPTER 1**
ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION

4 **ARTICLE I**
Name

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

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

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

34 **ARTICLE III**
Duration

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

42 The place in Kentucky where the principal office of the corporation is to be located is Frankfort,
44 Franklin County.

48 **ARTICLE V**
49 **Membership**

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

54 **ARTICLE VI**
55 **Board of Directors**

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

62 **ARTICLE VII**
63 **Officers**

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

72 **ARTICLE VIII**
73 **Dues**

74 Each member and each club shall pay dues annually as prescribed in the bylaws of KPR.
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78 **ARTICLE IX**
79 **Bylaws**

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

ARTICLE X
Amendment of Articles of Incorporation

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

First Amendment:
Name changed from Kentucky Association of Public Annuitants, Inc. to Kentucky Public Retirees, Inc.
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 June 29, 1992.

Second Amendment:
Articles VI, VII, IX and X amended to permit flexibility.
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, 1995.