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Articles of Incorporation

I

The name of the corporation is The Center for Election Science.

II

- A. This corporation is a nonprofit **Public Benefit Corporation** and is not organized for the private gain of any person. It is organized under the Nonprofit Public Benefit Corporation Law for **public and charitable** purposes.
- B. The specific purpose of this corporation is to objectively study, provide resources, and educate on all facets within and related to group decision making and electoral systems. The corporation will advocate methods that benefit social welfare. The purpose of the corporation is subject to the limitations of articles IV and V, or otherwise prohibited by state or federal law.

III

The name and address in the State of California of this corporation's initial agent for service of process is:

Name Clay Shentrup

Address 1710 1/2 Church Street

City San Francisco State **CALIFORNIA** Zip Code 94131

IV

- A. This corporation is organized and operated exclusively for **charitable** purposes within the meaning of Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).
- B. The corporation's percentage of total time dedicated to influencing legislation will be less than 20%. At no time will the corporation's expenditures exceed the limitations provided through form 5768 using the expenditure test. At no time will the corporation ever endorse a party or candidate. The corporation is nonpartisan, and the corporation shall not participate or intervene in any political campaign (including the publishing or distribution of statements) on behalf of any candidate for public office.

V

The property of this corporation is irrevocably dedicated to **charitable** purposes and no part of the net income or assets of this corporation shall ever inure to the benefit of any director, officer or member thereof or to the benefit of any private person. Upon the dissolution or winding up of the corporation, its assets remaining after payment, or provision for payment, of all debts and liabilities of this corporation shall be distributed to a nonprofit fund, foundation or corporation which is organized and operated exclusively for **charitable** purposes and which has established its tax exempt status under Internal Revenue Code section 501(c)(3).

CLAY SHENTRUP
Clay Shentrup, Incorporator