# Articles of Incorporation for a Nonprofit Corporation

filed pursuant to § 7-122-101 and § 7-122-102 of the Colorado Revised Statutes (C.R.S.)

1. The domestic entity name for the nonprofit corporation is **Merlin Legal Open Source Foundation**.  
   *(Caution: The use of certain terms or abbreviations are restricted by law. Read instructions for more information.)*

2. The principal office address of the nonprofit corporation’s initial principal office is  
   - **Street address**: 3605 E. Cedar Ave.  
     *(Street number and name)*
     - **Denver**  
     *(State)*  
     - **80209**  
     *(ZIP/Postal Code)*
     - **United States**  
     *(Province – if applicable)*
     - **United States**  
     *(Country)*
   
   *(Mailing address)*
   *(leave blank if same as street address)*  
   - **Street address**: 3605 E. Cedar Ave.  
     *(Street number and name or Post Office Box information)*
     - **Denver**  
     *(State)*  
     - **80209**  
     *(ZIP Code)*
     - **United States**  
     *(Country)*

3. The registered agent name and registered agent address of the nonprofit corporation’s initial registered agent are  
   - **Name**: Tredennick John C  
     *(Last)  *(First)  *(Middle)  *(Suffix)*
   
   *(OR)*  
   *(Caution: Do not provide both an individual and an entity name.)*
   
   - **Street address**: 3605 E. Cedar Ave.  
     *(Street number and name)*
     - **Denver**  
     *(City)*  
     - **80209**  
     *(ZIP Code)*
The purpose of the Corporation is to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations which are organized not for profit may be organized under the General Corporation Law of the State of Colorado, including the creation and maintenance of "open source" software for legal operations and regulatory compliance, with such software distributed by the Corporation to the public at no charge. Notwithstanding the forgoing, if the Board of Directors of the Corporation elects to seek and obtains an exemption for the Corporation from federal taxation pursuant to Section 501(a) of the Internal Revenue Code, as amended (the "IRC"), and until such time, if ever, that such exemption is denied or lost, the Corporation shall not be empowered to engage directly or indirectly in any activity which the Corporation believes would be likely to invalidate its status as an organization exempt from federal taxation under Section 501(a) of the IRC as an organization described in Section 501(c) of the IRC. In the event of the liquidation, dissolution, or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation (whether voluntary or by operation of law), the Board of Directors of the Corporation will, after paying or making any provision for the payment of all liabilities of the Corporation, distribute all of the assets of the Corporation as it sees fit, consistent with the contractual obligations of the Corporation. Notwithstanding the foregoing, if the Corporation is exempt from federal taxation pursuant to Section 501(a) of the IRC at the time of any such liquidation, dissolution or winding up of the affairs of the Corporation, then the Board of Directors shall make such distribution(s) in such manner as the Board of Directors may determine to the best suited to the accomplishment of the purposes of the Corporation and within the intent of Section 501(c) of the IRC.
7. (If the following statement applies, adopt the statement by marking the box and include an attachment.)

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8. (Caution: Leave blank if the document does not have a delayed effective date. Stating a delayed effective date has significant legal consequences. Read instructions before entering a date.)

(If the following statement applies, adopt the statement by entering a date and, if applicable, time using the required format.)

The delayed effective date and, if applicable, time of this document is/are __________________________.

(mm/dd/yyyy hour:minute am/pm)

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Tredennick                     John                   Cook
(Last)                        (First)                 (Middle)       (Suffix)

3605 E. Cedar Ave.           __________________________________________________________
(Street number and name or Post Office Box information)

Denver                      CO                       80209
(City)                      (State)                 (ZIP/Postal Code)

United States
(Country)

(Province – if applicable)

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