Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. v. President and Fellows of Harvard College et al

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## EXHIBIT 85

### ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of STUDENTS FOR FAIR ADMISSIONS, INC.

The undersigned, pursuant to the Virginia Nonstock Corporation Act (the "Act"), hereby states as follows:

1. The name of the corporation is Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. (the "Corporation").

2. The Corporation shall have no members.

3. The initial directors of the Board of Directors of the Corporation shall be appointed by the sole incorporator. All other directors shall be elected by an affirmative vote of a majority of the directors then in office, and each shall continue in office for the term specified in the Bylaws of the Corporation and until such director's successor is elected and qualified, or until such director's earlier death, resignation, or removal.

4. The name of the initial registered agent of the Corporation is National Corporate Research, Ltd. The registered agent is a domestic or foreign stock or nonstock corporation, limited liability company, or registered limited liability partnership authorized to transact business in Virginia.

5. The Corporation's initial registered office address, which is identical to the business office of the initial registered agent, is: 250 Browns Hill Court, Midlothian, Virginia, 23114. The registered office is located in the county of Chesterfield.

6. The Corporation is organized and shall be operated exclusively for charitable, religious, scientific. literary, educational and other purposes within the meaning of Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986, as now in effect or as hereafter may be amended (the "Code"). The purposes for which the Corporation is formed are to defend human and civil rights secured by law, including the right of individuals to equal protection under the law, through litigation and any other lawful means, and to engage in any lawful act or activity for which corporations may be organized under the Act. In furtherance thereof, the Corporation shall have all the general powers enumerated in Sections 13.1-826 and 13.1-827 of the Act. Except as otherwise provided by law, or in any Bylaw of the Corporation, the business of the Corporation shall be managed and all of the powers of the Corporation shall be exercised by the Board of Directors of the Corporation.

7. The duration of the existence of the Corporation is perpetual.

8. Provisions for the regulation of the internal affairs of the Corporation, including provisions for distribution of assets on dissolution or final liquidation, are as follows:

A. The Corporation shall not only be organized but also operated exclusively for charitable purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Code; provided, however, that the corporation may engage in any lawful act or activity for which

corporations may be organized under the Act, provided such acts or activities would not prevent the Corporation from obtaining and retaining exemption from federal income taxation as a corporation described in Section 501(c)(3) of the Code.

B. No part of the net earnings of the Corporation shall inure to the benefit of, or be distributable to, its members, officers, directors, or other private individuals, except that the Corporation shall be authorized and empowered to pay reasonable compensation for services rendered to or for the Corporation and to make payments and distributions in furtherance of the purposes set forth in Article 6 hereof;

C. No substantial part of the activities of the Corporation shall be the carrying on of propaganda, or otherwise attempting to influence legislation, and the Corporation shall not participate or intervene in (including the publication or distribution of statements concerning) any political campaign on behalf of, or in opposition to, any candidate for public office. Notwithstanding any other provision of these Articles of Incorporation, the Corporation shall not, except to an insubstantial degree, engage in any activities or exercise any powers that are not in furtherance of the purposes of the Corporation; and

D. In the event of dissolution or final liquidation of the Corporation, the remaining assets of the Corporation shall be distributed for one or more exempt purposes within the meaning of section 501(c)(3) of the Code or shall be distributed to the federal government, or to a state or local government, for a public purpose. Any such assets not so disposed of shall be disposed of by a court of competent jurisdiction of the county in which the principal office of the Corporation is then located, exclusively for such purposes or to such organization or organizations, as the court shall determine, that are organized and operated exclusively for such purposes.

9. To the fullest extent permitted by the Act, no officer or director of the Corporation shall be personally liable for damages in any proceeding brought by or in the right of the Corporation, or in connection with any claim, action, suit, or proceeding to which he or she may be or is made a party by reason of being or having been an officer or director of the Corporation.

10. The Corporation reserves the right to amend or repeal any provision contained in these Articles of Incorporation, in the manner now or hereafter prescribed by statute, and all rights conferred upon directors herein are granted subject to this reservation.

Dated: July 29, 2014

#### [SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

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### SIGNATURE PAGE TO ARTICLES OF INCORPORATION of STUDENTS FOR FAIR ADMISSIONS, INC.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned has executed these Articles of Incorporation as of the date set forth above.

Robert D. Benton Sole Incorporator





# State Corporation Commission

### I Certify the Following from the Records of the Commission:

The foregoing is a true copy of all documents constituting the charter of Students for Fair Admissions, Inc. on file in the Clerk's Office of the Commission.

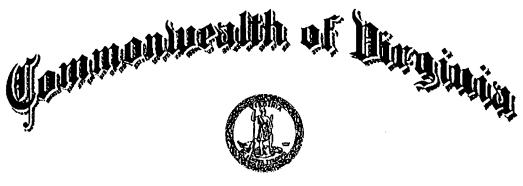
Nothing more is hereby certified.



Signed and Sealed at Richmond on this Date: July 31, 2014

oel H. Peck, Clerk of the Commission

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## STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

### Richmond, July 30, 2014

This is to certify that the certificate of incorporation of

Students for Fair Admissions, Inc.

was this day issued and admitted to record in this office and that the said corporation is authorized to transact its business subject to all Virginia laws applicable to the corporation and its business. Effective date: July 30, 2014



State Corporation Commission Attest:



#### COMMONWEALTH OF VIRGINIA STATE CORPORATION COMMISSION

### Office of the Clerk

July 30, 2014

BETH EPSTEIN UCC RETRIEVALS INC 7288 HANOVER GREEN DR \*\*\* HOLD FOR PICK UP \*\*\* MECHANICSVILLE, VA 23111

### RECEIPT

RE: Students for Fair Admissions, Inc.

ID: 0780781 - 1

DCN: 14-07-29-1206

Dear Customer:

This is your receipt for \$75.00, to cover the fees for filing articles of incorporation with this office.

This is also your receipt for \$100.00 to cover the fee(s) for expedited service(s).

The effective date of the certificate of incorporation is July 30, 2014.

If you have any questions, please call (804) 371-9733 or toll-free in Virginia, 1-866-722-2551.

Sincerely,

Joel H. Peck Clerk of the Commission

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