

**POWDER MILL ESTATES OWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.'S
RECORDS PRODUCTION AND RECORDS RETENTION POLICY**

I. Copies of Association records will be available to all Owners upon proper request and at their own expense provided the request:

- a. is sent certified mail to the Association's address as reflected in its most recent management certificate;
- b. is from an Owner, or the Owner's agent, attorney or certified public accountant; and
- c. contains sufficient detail to identify the records being requested and state whether the Owner wishes to inspect the books and records prior to obtaining copies or have the Association forward copies of the requested books and records.

II. Association response:

- a. If the Owner makes a request to inspect the books and records, then the Association will respond within **10 business days** of the request, providing the dates and times the records will be made available and the location of the records. The Association and the Owner shall arrange for a mutually agreeable time to conduct the inspection. The Association shall provide the owner with copies of specific documents after the Owner pays the Association the cost thereof. If the Association is unable to produce the information on or before the 10th business day, then they will send the Owner written notice that they are unable to comply within 10 business days and state a date by which the information will be made available for inspection that is not later than 15 business days after the request date.
- b. If the Owner makes a request for copies of specific records, to the extent those books and records are in the possession, custody and control of the Association, the Association will provide the records to the Owner within 10 business days of the Owner's request. If the Association is unable to produce the information on or before the 10th business day, then they will send the Owner written notice that they are unable to comply within 10 business days and state a date by which the information will be sent that is not later than 15 business days after the request date. Additionally, the Association will notify the Owner of the estimated cost the Owner must pay

before the records will be sent. Upon paying the cost to provide the records, the Association shall send the records to the owner.

III. The Association hereby adopts the following schedule of costs:

<u>COPIES</u>	10 cents per page, for a regular 8.5" x 11" page 50 cents per page, for pages 11" x 17" or greater Actual cost, for specialty paper (color, photograph, map, etc.) \$1.00 for each CD or audio cassette \$3.00 for each DVD
<u>LABOR</u>	\$15.00 per hour for actual time to locate, compile and reproduce the records (can only charge if request is greater than 50 pages in length)
<u>OVERHEAD</u>	20% of the total labor charge (can only charge if request is greater than 50 pages in length)
<u>MATERIALS</u>	Actual costs of labels, boxes, folders, and other supplies used in producing the records, along with postage for mailing the records

- IV.** If the estimated cost provided to the Owner is more or less than the actual cost of producing the documents, the Association shall, within 30 days after providing the records, submit to the owner either an invoice for additional amounts owed or a refund of the overages paid by the Owner.
- V.** Unless authorized in writing or by court order, the Association will not provide copies of any records that contain the personal information of an owner, including restriction violations, delinquent assessments, financial information and contact information (other than an owner's address); additionally, no privileged attorney-client communications or attorney work product documents will be provided; and no employee information (including personnel file) will be released.
- VI.** With regards to the inspection of ballots, only persons who tabulate ballots under 209.00594 (TPC) may be given access to the ballots cast in an election or vote.

The Association shall maintain its records as follows:

<u>Record</u>	<u>Retention Period</u>
Certificate of Formation/Articles of Incorporation, Bylaws, Declarations and all amendments to those documents	Permanent
Association tax returns and tax audits	Seven (7) years
Financial books and records	Seven (7) years
Account records of current owners	Seven (7) years
Contracts with a term of more than one year	Seven (7) years after contract expires
Minutes of member meetings and Board meetings	Seven (7) years

Records not listed above are not subject to retention. Upon expiration of the retention date, the applicable record will be considered not maintained as a part of the Association books and records.

CERTIFICATION

Name: Derek Riffe
Secretary of the Board of Directors of
Powder Mill Estates Owners Association,
Inc.

Dated this _____ day of January, 2023.

Before me, the undersigned authority, on this day personally appeared Derek Riffe, Secretary of the Board of Directors of Powder Mill Estates Owners Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation, known to me to be the person whose name is subscribed to the foregoing instrument, and acknowledged to me that at least a majority of the Board of Directors approved this Records Production and Records Retention Policy and that he/she executed the same for the purposes and consideration therein expressed and in the capacity therein stated as the act and deed of said Board of Directors for Powder Mill Estates Owners Association, Inc.

Given under my hand and seal of office, this the _____ day of January, 2023.
Return to:

Kathy Ann Terry
PO Box 690141
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Notary Public, State of Texas