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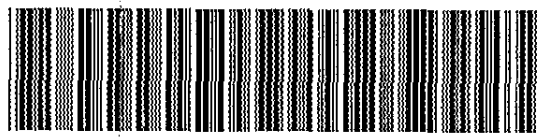
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Bank of the Ozarks
(Name of corporation - must include suffix)

Dear Sir or Madam:

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," "Certificate of Existence," and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign corporation to transact business in Florida.

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Janice Thomas
(Name of Person)

Bank of the Ozarks
(Firm/Company)

PO Box 8811
(Address)

Little Rock, Arkansas 72211
(City/State and Zip code)

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For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Janice Thomas at (501) 978-2268
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

STREET ADDRESS:
Registration Section
Division of Corporations
409 E. Gaines St.
Tallahassee, FL 32399

MAILING ADDRESS:
Registration Section
Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

- \$70.00 Filing Fee
- \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status
- \$78.75 Filing Fee & Certified Copy
- \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy



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August 12, 2004

Ms. Janice Thomas
Bank of the Ozarks
Leasing Division
Chenal Parkway & West Markham Street
P.O. Box 8811
Little Rock, Arkansas 72032-8811

Dear Ms. Thomas:

Re: Bank of the Ozarks

Thank you for your recent letter/fax requesting approval of the above-referenced name which is a state-chartered financial institution located in Little Rock, Arkansas.

Section 655.922, Florida Statutes, exempts a financial institution, holding company or its subsidiaries from the prohibition of using the word "bank," "banc," "banque," "banker," "banking," "trust company," "savings and loan association," "savings bank," or "credit union" in its corporate name.

Therefore, the Office will not object to the use of the above name being registered as a foreign corporation in the state of Florida. This does not authorize the institution to engage in a banking business in the state of Florida. Proper regulatory approvals will be required.

Sincerely,

Linda B. Charity
Deputy Director
Division of Financial Institutions

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cc: Karon Beyer, Chief, Bureau of Commercial Recordings, Division of Corporations,
Secretary of State's Office

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN CORPORATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 607.1503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN CORPORATION TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. Bank of the Ozarks
(Enter name of corporation; must include "INCORPORATED," "COMPANY," "CORPORATION," "Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp.")

(If name unavailable in Florida, enter alternate corporate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida)

2. Arkansas 3. 71-0130170
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 03/03/2003 5. Perpetual
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. August 11th, 2004
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration)
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)

7. 12615 Chenal Parkway Little Rock, Arkansas 72211
(Principal office address)
PO Box 8811 Little Rock, Arkansas 72231-8811
(Current mailing address)

8. Equipment Leasing
(Purpose(s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida)

9. Name and street address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Name: CT Corporation

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation, Florida 33324
(City) (Zip code)

10. Registered agent's acceptance:

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated corporation at the place designated in this application, I hereby accept the appointment as registered agent and agree to act in this capacity. I further agree to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent.

See Acceptance of Appointment attached

(Registered agent's signature)

11. Attached is a certificate of existence duly authenticated, not more than 90 days prior to delivery of this application to the Department of State, by the Secretary of State or other official having custody of corporate records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is incorporated.

12. Names and business addresses of officers and/or directors:

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A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: See attached

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

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B. OFFICERS

President: Scott Hastings

Address: 12615 Chenal Pkwy Little Rock, AR 72211

Vice President: Kyle Gilliam

Address: 12615 Chenal Pkwy Little Rock, AR 72211

Secretary: na

Address: _____

Treasurer: na

Address: _____

NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors.

13. _____
 (Signature of Director or Officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Scott Hasting President, Leasing Division
 (Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

Bank of the Ozarks, Inc./Bank of the Ozarks Board of Directors - 2004	
George G. Gleason-Chairman/CEO Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. P.O. Box 8811 Little Rock, Arkansas 72231 (501) 978-2200 Fax:(501) 978-2205 Email: ggleason@bankozarks.com	Henry Mariani N.L.C. Products, Inc. 3801 Woodland Heights Rd. P.O. Box 8300 Little Rock, Arkansas 72212 (501) 227-9050 Fax:(501) 223-2955 Home: (501) 868-4830
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Mark D. Ross-Vice Chmn./Pres./COO Bank of the Ozarks, Inc. P.O. Box 8811 Little Rock, Arkansas 72231-8811 (501) 978-2201 Fax: (501) 978-2205 Home: (501) 312-2359 Email: mross@bankozarks.com	Dr. R.L. Qualls 2000 Canal Pointe Little Rock, Arkansas 72202 Home: (501) 661-9095 Email: nancy_qualls@msn.com
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Robert P. Trevino, M.P.A. State of Arkansas - Office of the Governor State Capitol Building Little Rock, Arkansas 72201 Phone: (501) 682-2325 Fax: 682-3596 Email: robert.trevino@gov.state.ar.us	

ACCEPTANCE OF APPOINTMENT


RE: Bank of the Ozarks

Pursuant to Sections 48.091 and 607.0501, Florida Statutes, the undersigned acknowledges and accepts its appointment as registered agent of the above corporation and agrees to act in the capacity and to comply with the provisions of the Florida Business Corporation Act (1990) relative to keeping open the registered office at the address specified above. The undersigned is familiar with, and accepts the obligations of, Section 607.0505, Florida Statutes.

Dated: August 12, 2004

CT CORPORATION SYSTEM

By


Jonathan L. Miles,
Assistant Secretary



Arkansas Secretary of State Charlie Daniels

State Capitol Building ♦ Little Rock, Arkansas 72201-1094 ♦ 501.682.3409

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

I, Charlie Daniels, Secretary of State of the State of Arkansas, and as such, keeper of the records of domestic and foreign corporations, do hereby certify that the records of this office show:

BANK OF THE OZARKS

has currently met all franchise tax requirements as filed with this office.

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my official Seal. Done at my office in the City of Little Rock, this 16th day of August 2004.

Charlie Daniels
Secretary of State

By:
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