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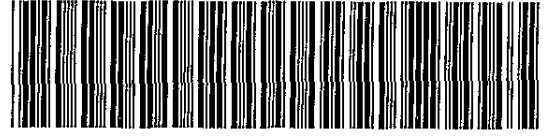
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TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

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SECRETARY OF STATE
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

SUBJECT: First Option Mortgage, LLC
(Name of Limited Liability Company)

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," Certificate of Existence, and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign limited liability company to transact business in Florida..

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

Marilyn J. Clark, Legal Assistant
(Name of Person)

Franzen & Salzano, P.C.
(Firm/Company)

40 Technology Parkway South, Suite 202
(Address)

Norcross, Georgia 30092
(City/State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Marilyn J. Clark at (877) 715-8392, Extension 227
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

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Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Division of Corporations
Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

- \$125.00 Filing Fee \$130.00 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status \$155.00 Filing Fee & Certified Copy \$160.00 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA

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IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 608.503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

1. First Option Mortgage, LLC
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company)

2. Georgia
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized)

3. 68-0570826
(FEI number, if applicable)

4. October 3, 2003
(Date of Organization)

5. Perpetual
(Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. Upon qualification approval
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)
(See sections 608.501 & 608.502 F.S. to determine penalty liability)

7. 400 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1750
Atlanta, Georgia 30339
(Street Address of Principal Office)

8. If limited liability company is a manager-managed company, check here

9. The name and usual business addresses of the managing members or managers are as follows:

- Timothy O. Burford, 400 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1750, Atlanta, GA 30339 (51%)
- Kurt A. Nikolai, 400 Galleria Parkway, Suite 1750, Atlanta, GA 30339 (24.5%)
- John P. Valline, 222 W. Las Colinas Blvd., Irving, TX 76034 (24.5%)

10. Attached is an original certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (A photocopy is not acceptable. If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted.)

11. Nature of business or purposes to be conducted or promoted in Florida: _____

Residential Mortgage Lender

Timothy O. Burford
Signature of a member or an authorized representative of a member.
(In accordance with section 608.408(3), F.S., the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)

Timothy O. Burford

Typed or printed name of signee

**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

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PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 or 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE
UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT
TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF
FLORIDA.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

First Option Mortgage, LLC

2. The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are:

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(Name)

1200 South Pine Island Road

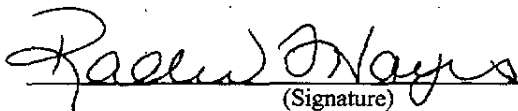
Florida Street Address (P.O. Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

Plantation

FL 33324

City/State/Zip

Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, 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 relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 608, Florida Statutes.



(Signature)

**RACHEL T. HAYES
ASSISTANT SECRETARY**

\$ 100.00 Filing Fee for Application
\$ 25.00 Designation of Registered Agent
\$ 30.00 Certified Copy (optional)
\$ 5.00 Certificate of Status (optional)

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NORCROSS, GA 30092

CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

I, Cathy Cox, the Secretary of State of the State of Georgia, do hereby certify under the seal of my office that as of the above print date

FIRST OPTION MORTGAGE, LLC
A GEORGIA LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY

is in compliance with the applicable filing and annual registration provision of Title 14 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated.

Said entity was formed in the jurisdiction stated above or was authorized to transact business in Georgia on the above date and has not filed articles of dissolution, certificate of cancellation or any other similar document with the Office of the Secretary of State.

This certificate relates only to the legal existence of the above-named entity as of the print date above. It does not certify whether or not a notice of intent to dissolve, an application for withdrawal, a statement of commencement of winding up or any other similar document has been filed or is pending with the Secretary of State.

This information is electronically transmitted, issued and certified in accordance with the Georgia Electronic Records and Signatures Act and Title 1 of the Official Code of Georgia Annotated and is prima-facie evidence that said entity is in existence or is authorized to transact business in this state.

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Cathy Cox

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Secretary of State