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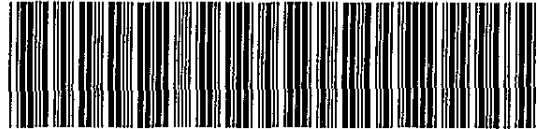
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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc.

(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:

Travis N. Carter, Esq.

(Name of Person)

Parker, Hudson, Rainer & Dobbs LLP

(Firm/Company)

1500 Marquis Two Tower, 285 Peachtree Center Avenue

(Address)

Atlanta, Georgia 30303

(City/State and Zip code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Travis N. Carter, Esq.

(Name of Person)

at (404) 880-4742

(Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

STREET ADDRESS:

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

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Division of Corporations
P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

☐ \$70.00 Filing Fee

☒ \$78.75 Filing Fee &
Certificate of Status

☐ \$78.75 Filing Fee &
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☐ \$87.50 Filing Fee,
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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Glenda E. Hood
Secretary of State

June 30, 2004

TRAVIS N. CARTER, ESQ
PARKER, HUDSON, RAINER & DOBBS LLP
1500 MARQUIS TWO TOWER, 285 PEACHTREE CT
ATLANTA, GA 30303

SUBJECT: SOUTHERN STAIRCASE OF FLORIDA, INC.
Ref. Number: W04000025115

We have received your document for SOUTHERN STAIRCASE OF FLORIDA, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

The name of your corporation is not available in Florida. An out-of-state corporation whose name is not available must adopt an alternate corporate name for use in Florida. The alternate corporate name must contain "Incorporated," "Company," "Corporation," "Inc.," "Co.," "Corp.," "Inc.," "Co.," or "Corp." Please enter the alternate corporate name in the space provided in number one of the application.

Simply adding "of Florida" or "Florida" to the end of a name is not acceptable.

Please return your document, along with a copy of this letter, within 60 days or your filing will be considered abandoned.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 245-6025.

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Document Specialist

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OFFICES IN:

ATLANTA, GEORGIA
TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

July 20, 2004

Florida Department of State
Division of Corporations
Attention: Trevor Brumbley
Post Office Box 6327
Tallahassee, Florida 32314

RE: Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc.
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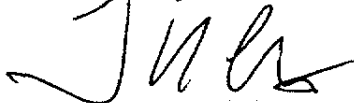
Dear Mr. Brumbley:

We are in receipt of your letter dated June 30, 2004. In your letter, you indicated that the name "Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc." is not an available name in Florida and adding "of Florida" to the end of a name is not a sufficient name distinction to register in Florida.

We represent Southern Staircase, Inc. and Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc. Based on our telephone conversation with the Florida Department of State, it is our understanding that if two entities are related, the addition of "of Florida" is a sufficient name distinction to register both names in Florida. Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc. is a wholly-owned subsidiary of Southern Staircase, Inc. Richard Hanson is the Chief Executive Officer and Chairman of the Board of Southern Staircase, Inc. and the President and Chairman of the Board of Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc. Both companies have the same principal address of 6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E, Alpharetta, Georgia 30005.

Because these entities are related, we ask that you accept the enclosed Application by Foreign Corporation for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida as originally submitted. If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact us.

Sincerely,



Travis N. Carter

TNC:cla
Enclosures

**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. **Southern Staircase of Florida, Inc.**
(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. **Georgia** 3. _____
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. **March 8, 2004** 5. **Perpetual**
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. **Upon qualification**
(Date first transacted business in Florida. If corporation has not transacted business in Florida, insert "upon qualification."
(SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)

7. **6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E; Alpharetta, Georgia 30005**
(Principal office address)

6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E; Alpharetta, Georgia 30005
(Current mailing address)

8. **Engaging in any lawful business**
(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 or Mail Drop Box **NOT** acceptable)

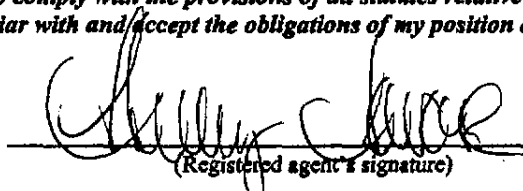
Name: **CT Corporation System**

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.


(Registered agent's signature)

Shelley Savage
Vice President

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: Richard R. Hanson

Address: 6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E

Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

Vice Chairman: Kathleen M. Hanson

Address: 6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E

Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

Director: _____

Address: _____

Director: _____

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS

President: Richard R. Hanson

Address: 6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E

Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

Vice President: n/a

Address: _____

Secretary: Kathleen M. Hanson

Address: 6025 Shiloh Road, Suite E; Alpharetta, Georgia 30005

Treasurer: n/a

Address: _____

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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. Richard R. Hanson, President

(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

Secretary of State
Corporations Division
315 West Tower
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Atlanta, Georgia 30334-1530

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1500 MARQUIS TWO TOWER
285 PEACHTREE CENTER AVE, NE
ATLANTA, GA 30303

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

SOUTHERN STAIRCASE OF FLORIDA, INC.
A GEORGIA PROFIT CORPORATION

is in compliance with the applicable filing and annual registration provisions 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 14 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
Cathy Cox
Secretary of State