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## TRANSMITTAL LETTER

**TO:** Registration Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** Southern Specialty Finance, 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:

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Person)  
Southern Specialty Finance, Inc.  
(Firm/Company)  
5155 Financial Way  
(Address)  
Mason, OH 45040  
(City/State and Zip code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Humberto Gonzalez at ( 513 ) 229-6437  
(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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**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 Specialty Finance, 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. Ohio 3. 61-1292242  
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. March 11, 2005 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. 5155 Financial Way, Mason, OH 45040  
(Principal office address)

5155 Financial Way, Mason, OH 45040  
(Current mailing address)

8. Financial Services  
(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: NRAI Services, Inc.

Office Address: 2731 Executive Park Drive, Suite 4

Weston, Florida 33331  
(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.*

NRAI Services, Inc.

By: Mari Smith  
(Registered agent's signature)

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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:

## A. DIRECTORS

Chairman: A. David Davis/Director

Address: 5155 Financial way

Mason, OH 45040

Vice Chairman: Doug D. Clark/Director

Address: 5155 Financial Way

Mason, OH 45040

Director: Roger W. Dean

Address: 5155 Financial Way

Mason, OH 45040

Director: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

## B. OFFICERS

President: A. David Davis

Address: 5155 Financial Way

Mason, OH 45040

Vice President: Doug D. Clark

Address: 5155 Financial Way

Mason, OH 45040

Secretary: Stephen J. Schaller

Address: 5155 Financial Way, Mason, OH 45040

Treasurer: Roger W. Dean

Address: 5155 Financial Way, Mason, OH 45040

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. Stephen J. Schaller Secretary

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

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**United States of America  
State of Ohio  
Office of the Secretary of State**

*I, J. Kenneth Blackwell, do hereby certify that I am the duly elected, qualified and present acting Secretary of State for the State of Ohio, and as such have custody of the records of Ohio and Foreign corporations; that said records show SOUTHERN SPECIALTY FINANCE, INC., an Ohio corporation, Charter No. 1525101, having its principal location in Mason, County of Warren, was incorporated on March 11, 2005 and is currently in GOOD STANDING upon the records of this office.*



*Witness my hand and the seal of the  
Secretary of State at Columbus, Ohio  
this 18th day of April, A.D. 2005*

*J. Kenneth Blackwell*

Ohio Secretary of State