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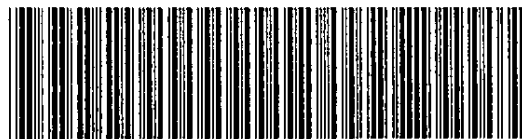
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## COVER LETTER

**TO:** New Filing Section  
Division of Corporations

**SUBJECT:** MERS, 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," or "Certificate of Good Standing" 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:

Allan R. Chason

Name of Person

Chason & Chason, P.C.

Firm/Company

P. O. Box 100

Address

Bay Minette, Alabama 36507

City/State and Zip code

wsheffield@economyboat.com

E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

Allan R. Chason

Name of Person

at ( 251 ) 937-2191

Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number

**STREET/COURIER ADDRESS:**

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

**MAILING ADDRESS:**

New Filing 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. MERS, 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. Delaware

(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated)

3. 37-0953258

(FEI number, if applicable)

4. 12/30/1971

(Date of incorporation)

5. Perpetual

(Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. January 3, 2011

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

7. 200 South Amoco Cut Off, Wood River, Illinois 62095

(Principal office address)

200 South Amoco Cut Off, Wood River, Illinois 62095

(Current mailing address)

8. Distribution and sale of petroleum products on and over land or water

(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 System

Office Address: 1200 South Pine Island Road

Plantation

(City)

, Florida 33324

(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.*

Michael Seraphin

Michael Seraphin Asst. Secretary

(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.

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

**A. DIRECTORS**

Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Vice Chairman: \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

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

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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**B. OFFICERS**

President: Fred Barton

Address: 148 Timbermill Lane  
Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

Vice President: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Secretary: Stephanie Opel

Address: 1801 Butler Boulevard, Edwardsville, Illinois 62025

Treasurer: James F. Barton, Jr.

Address: 14 Greenway Plaze, 21R, Houston, Texas 77046

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

13. \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Director or Officer

The officer or director signing this document (and who is listed in number 12 above) affirms that the facts stated herein are true and that he or she is aware that false information submitted in a document to the Department of State constitutes a third degree felony as provided for in s.817.155, F.S.

14. Fred Barton, President

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

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## *The First State*

I, JEFFREY W. BULLOCK, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "MERS, INC." IS DULY INCORPORATED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL CORPORATE EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE TWENTIETH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2011.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE ANNUAL REPORTS HAVE BEEN FILED TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE FRANCHISE TAXES HAVE BEEN PAID TO DATE.

AND I DO HEREBY FURTHER CERTIFY THAT THE SAID "MERS, INC." WAS INCORPORATED ON THE FIRST DAY OF DECEMBER, A.D. 1971.

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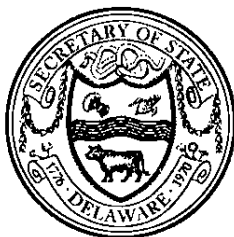
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Jeffrey W. Bullock, Secretary of State  
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