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SECRETARY OF STATE

W11-48486

SECRETARY OF STATE DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

Per our conversation on 9/28/2011, Dalton Strategic is requesting that the State of Florida abate the fees and penalties that you related in Letter 811A00021714. As I related to you, we filed for securities registration 14 years ago with the Division of Securities. Nowhere in the filing requirements did the Division ask that we, or require that we, file with the Division of Corporations. We operate in over 35 states, and as I'm sure you can imagine, it would be impossible for a firm of our size to read through 35 different state statutes, both for securities and corporations, as well as any other state entity that may have jurisdiction. Each of our representatives is an independent contractor, so to the extent that we conduct business in Florida, we do so through an intermediary at arm's length. We do not maintain branches in Florida; each representative has exclusive responsibility for all costs associated with their respective branch, including filling, registration and license fees.

We explicitly followed the guidance of the Division of Securities when registering in Florida. As such, we were granted registration in 1997. Since then, we have interacted with the State of Florida in a number of different respects and not once was it mentioned that we should register with the Division of Corporations. We filed a form BD, a form U-2, Consent to Service of Process, and it makes no mention of this requirement. The U-2A, which is the Uniform Corporate Resolution, doesn't mention it either. We feel quite strongly that when we register within a state, the securities division from that state has the understood authority to grant us licensure. We rely on that guidance when conducting business and not once in 14 years did we hear a single mention that we were not compliant. I've had discussions with several regulators from Florida over the years and again, not one word was spoken about this requirement. To date, I see NO MENTION of it on the securities website. We feel that we justifiably relied on the Division of Securities to give us proper and complete requirements when they approved us. We were told by a person within the securities division a month ago that in order to open a new branch, we needed to register. We did so immediately, upon learning of the request. We have no objection to maintaining our corporation within state guidelines, and work hard to do so everywhere we are. However, to come back after 14 years, several branches, countless talks with representatives of the state and seek penalize us is both arbitrary and capricious. We respectfully request that the fines be abated.

If you or a member of the staff would like to discuss this further, please call me at 765-445-7000.

Regards,

Steve Dalton Managing Partner, Dalton Strategic

& EXEMPT under 607.1501(2)(e), F.S.

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### **COVER LETTER**

TO: New Filing Section Division of Corporations
SUBJECT: DALTON STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SERVICES 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:
STEVE DALTON
Name of Person
DALTON STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SERVICES INC. Firm/Company
AL N. WASHING TON ST. Address
KNIGHTSTOWN, IN 46148 City/State and Zip code
SDAUTON @ INVESTMONEY. NET  E-mail address: (to be used for future annual report notification)
For further information concerning this matter, please call:
STEVE DALTON at (765) 445-7000
Name of Person 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 & Certified Copy \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy \$87.50 Filing Fee, Certified Copy



September 20, 2011

STEVE DALTON 26 N WASHINGTON ST KNIGHTSTOWN, IN 46148

SUBJECT: DALTON STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SERVICES INC.

Ref. Number: W11000048486

We have received your document for DALTON STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SERVICES INC. and your check(s) totaling \$70.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

According to the application submitted to this office, this entity transacted business in the state of Florida before properly registering with the Florida Department of State, Division of Corporations. Consequently, a \$500 civil penalty and an annual report filing fee for each year the entity failed to properly file a Florida annual report are due this office. Based on the date entered on the application, the civil penalty and annual report filing fees total \$2615.00.

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) 245-6901.

Pamela Smith Regulatory Specialist II

Letter Number: 811A00021714

## -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.

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	(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration) (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501 & 607.1502, F.S., to determine penalty liability)		
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(Purpose	s) of corporation authorized in home state or country to be carried out in state of Florida)	=======================================	SEA
9. Name and stre	et address of Florida registered agent: (P.O. Box NOT acceptable)	SEP 30	SE CE
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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: STEVE DALTON Address: 26 N. WASHINGTON ST. KNIGHTSTOWN IN 46148 Vice Chairman: \_\_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_ Director: Address: Director: \_\_\_ Address: \_\_\_\_\_ **B. OFFICERS** President: STEVE DALTON Address: 26 N. WASHINGTON ST. KNIGHTSTOWN, IN 46148 Vice President: Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Secretary: Address: \_\_\_\_\_ NOTE: If necessary, you may attach an addendum to the application listing additional officers and/or directors. DIRECTOR 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. STEVE DALTON PZESIDENT (Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

## STATE OF INDIANA OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE CERTIFICATE OF EXISTENCE

SECRETARY OF STATE SECRETARY OF CORPORATIONS
DIVISION OF CORPORATIONS

To Whom These Presents Come, Greetings:

I, Charles P. White, Secretary of State of Indiana, do hereby certify that I am, by virtue of the laws of the State of Indiana, the custodian of the corporate records, and proper official to execute this certificate.

I further certify that records of this office disclose that

#### DALTON STRATEGIC INVESTMENT SERVICES, INC.

duly filed the requisite documents to commence business activities under the laws of State of Indiana on May 19, 1988, and was in existence or authorized to transact business in the State of Indiana on August 23, 2011.

I further certify this For-Profit Domestic Corporation has filed its most recent report required by Indiana law with the Secretary of State, or is not yet required to file such report, and that no notice of withdrawal, dissolution or expiration has been filed or taken place.



In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the State of Indiana, at the city of Indianapolis, this Twenty-Third Day of August, 2011.

Charles P. White, Secretary of State

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