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TO: Qualification/Tax Lien Section
Division of Corporations

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SUBJECT: Freedom Leasing, 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:

Douglas A. Lockwood, III
(Name of Person)

Peterson & Myers, P.A.
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P.O. Drawer 7608
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(City/State/Zip)

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Should you need to call someone concerning this matter, please call:

Kristen M. Buzzanca, Esq.
(Name of Person)

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Secretary of State

April 24, 1998

DOUGLAS A. LOCKWOOD, III
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WINTER HAVEN, FL 33883-7608

SUBJECT: FREEDOM LEASING, INC.
Ref. Number: W98000009187

We have received your document for FREEDOM LEASING, INC. and your check(s) totaling \$78.75. However, the document has not been filed and is being retained in this office for the following:

Pursuant to section 607.1502(4), 617.1502(4) or 608.502(4), Florida Statutes, this office collects a civil penalty of \$1000 for each year this entity transacted business or conducted its affairs in Florida prior to qualification and the appropriate annual report fees that would have been due this office had the entity qualified the year it began operations in this state. The amount due this office to cover both annual report and penalty fees is \$2,315.00.

Enclosed please find a copy of section 607.1501 or 617.1501, Florida Statutes, which lists those activities that do not constitute transacting business in this state. If after reviewing this section you determine erroneous information was inserted on the application, a sworn affidavit containing the following information must be submitted: 1.) a statement indicating erroneous information was listed on the application; and 2.) the correct date the corporation began transacting business in Florida prior to the year the application was submitted did not constitute transacting business pursuant to section 607.1501 or 617.1501, Florida Statutes.

If you have any questions concerning the filing of your document, please call (850) 487-6958.

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FREEDOM LEASING, INC.
W98000009187

Dear Mr. Rivers:

Enclosed please find the AFFIDAVIT of Edward C. Hood, President of Freedom Leasing, Inc.

Please call should you have any questions.

Very truly yours,

PETERSON & MYERS, P.A.



Kristen M. Buzzanca, Esq.

KMB/as
Enclosure

AFFIDAVIT

STATE OF OHIO

COUNTY OF TRUMBULL

I, Edward C. Hood, after first being duly sworn, state as follows:

1. I am the President of Freedom Leasing, Inc., an Ohio corporation, and have personal knowledge of the transactions of Freedom Leasing, Inc., in Florida.
2. This affidavit is made to the Florida Department of State concerning an application filed by Freedom Leasing, Inc., for a certificate of authority to transact business in Florida, Reference Number W98000009187.
3. The application for such certificate which was submitted to the Florida Department of State contained erroneous information. Specifically, the date that Freedom Leasing, Inc. first transacted business in Florida is incorrect on the application.
4. Any action taken by Freedom Leasing, Inc., in Florida prior to the submission of the above-referenced application does not constitute the "transacting of business." Thus, Freedom Leasing, Inc., has not yet conducted any business in the State of Florida.

FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NAUGHT.

FREEDOM LEASING, INC.

By: Edward C. Hood Pres.

EDWARD C. HOOD
President

The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 28 day of May, by Edward C. Hood in his capacity as President, of FREEDOM LEASING, INC., who is personally known to me or has produced a _____ as identification.

Anna Petrilla
NOTARY PUBLIC

ANNA PETRILLA
NOTARY PUBLIC STATE OF OHIO
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES 9-3-08

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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. Freedom Leasing, Inc.
(Name of corporation; must include the word "INCORPORATED", "COMPANY", "CORPORATION" or words or abbreviations of like import in language as will clearly indicate that it is a corporation instead of a natural person or partnership if not so contained in the name at present.)

2. Ohio 3. 34-1429328
(State or country under the law of which it is incorporated) (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 04-02-1984 5. "Perpetual"
(Date of incorporation) (Duration: Year corp. will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. 1996
(Date first transacted business in Florida.) (SEE SECTIONS 607.1501, 607.1502 and 817.155, F.S.)

7. 3379 Main Street
Mineral Ridge, OH 44440
(Current mailing address)

8. Leasing Company/any legal purpose.
(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: Douglas A. Lockwood, III

Office Address: P.O. Drawer 7608, 141 5th Street N.W.

Winter Haven, FL, Florida, 33881
(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)

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 addresses of officers and/or directors: (Street address ONLY - P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

A. DIRECTORS (Street address only - P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Vice Chairman: _____

Address: _____

Director: Edward C. Hood

Address: 3379 Main Street

Mineral Ridge, OH 44440

Director: _____

Address: _____

B. OFFICERS (Street address only - P.O. Box NOT acceptable)

President: Edward C. Hood

Address: 3379 Main Street

Mineral Ridge, OH 44440

Vice President: _____

Address: _____

Secretary: Ann Petrilla

Address: 309 Wae Trail

Cortland, OH 44410-1638

Treasurer: _____

Address: _____

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

13. Edward C. Hood
(Signature of Chairman, Vice Chairman, or any officer listed in number 12 of the application)

14. Edward C. Hood, President
(Typed or printed name and capacity of person signing application)

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UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,
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I, Bob Taft, 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 and miscellaneous filings: that said records show FREEDOM LEASING, INC., an Ohio Corporation, Charter No. 632774, principal location in Mineral Ridge, County of Trumbull, incorporated on April 2, 1984, is currently in GOOD STANDING upon the records of this office.

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*WITNESS my hand and official
seal at Columbus, Ohio this
11th day of March, A.D. 1998*

Bob Taft

Bob Taft
Secretary of State