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Florida Department of State Division of Corporations Post Office Box 6327 Tallahassee, FL 32314

Re: Trend Title Services, LLC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed please find the following concerning the above-referenced Limited Liability Company:

- 1. Original and one copy of the Articles of Organization, with attached Certificate of Registered Agent.
- 2. My firm check in the amount of \$155.00 representing the filing fee for the Articles, Registered Agent Designation, and a certified copy of the Articles.

If the enclosed meet with your approval, it will be greatly appreciated if you would file the Articles, and return a certified copy to the undersigned.

Should you have any questions or require anything further to file these Articles, please do not hesitate to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Very truly yours,

HARRISON, HENDRICKSON, DOUGLASS & KIRKLAND, P.A.

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## ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION FOR TREND TITLE SERVICES, LLC

The undersigned, acting as the initial Members of a Limited Liability Company to be formed under the Florida Limited Liability Company Act, as Amended (the "Act"), hereby form a Florida Limited Liability Company (the "Company") pursuant to the Act, and hereby set forth the following Articles of Organization (the "Articles"):

#### ARTICLE I

#### Name

The Name of the Company is Trend Title Services, LLC.

## ARTICLE II

## Commencement Date and Duration

The Company's existence shall commence on the date these Articles are filed with the Florida Department of State, and shall continue perpetually unless dissolved in accordance with Section 608.441 of the Act.

## ARTICLE III

#### <u>Purpose</u>

The Company is created to provide real property title insurance and settlement services, and to engage in any other lawful activity.

## ARTICLE IV

## Principal Office

The mailing address and the street address of the principal office of the Company shall be 3600 NW 43<sup>rd</sup> Street, Suite E-1, Gainesville, FL 32606.

#### ARTICLE V

## Registered Agent and Office

The initial registered agent for the Company for service of process shall be Craig J. Muldoon, and the address of the registered agent shall be 1203 SW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Ocala, Florida 34474.

#### ARTICLE VI

## Management of Business

The Company shall be managed by a Manager or Managers. Advanced Title Research Services, Inc., 1203 SW 12<sup>th</sup> Street, Ocala, Florida, 34474, will serve as Manager of the Company until its successor is elected and qualified as provided in the Operating Agreement. The Manager is hereby authorized to convey and encumber title to all real and personal property of the Company, borrow money or obtain other financial accommodations for the Company, create security interests in any property of the Company, and to otherwise deal with the assets and property of the Company in any manner which the Manager deems appropriate. In furtherance of such authorization, the Manager shall have the authority to execute on behalf of the Company any and all agreements, deeds, mortgages, security interests, conditional sales contracts, debt covenants, trust agreements, indentures, leases, conveyance documents, and all other certificates, instruments, and documents as are necessary, reasonable or desirable to convey or encumber title to any real or personal property of the Company. The signature and execution of such documents by the Manager shall clearly set forth that the execution is on behalf of the Company, and that the Manager is signing on behalf of the Company. Third parties may rely upon the execution of such documents by the Manager as binding on the Company without further inquiry, consent, or approval.

## ARTICLE VII

## Membership Classes

The Company shall have two (2) classes of membership designated as "Class A" and "Class B". The rights, obligations, and responsibilities associated with each class of membership shall be set forth in the Operating Agreement for the Company.

## ARTICLE VIII

## Admission of Additional Members

Additional Members may be admitted only by the unanimous vote of the Class A Members, upon terms and conditions established by the Class A Members from time to time in their sole discretion.

#### ARTICLE IX

#### Powers.

The Company shall have all of the powers and authority set forth in Section 608.404 of the Act unless limited by these Articles of Organization or the Operating Agreement.

## ARTICLE X

## **Property**

- (a) <u>Ownership.</u> All property originally paid or transferred to the Company as contributions to capital by the Members, or subsequently acquired by purchase or otherwise on account of the Company, shall be the property of the Company.
- (b) <u>Title.</u> The title to all property of the Company shall be held in the name of the Company.

## ARTICLE XI

## **Amendments**

These Articles may be amended or restated at any time by the unanimous vote of the Class A Members, and such amendment or restatement shall be filed with the Florida Department of State in accordance with the provisions of Section 608.411 of the Act.

## ARTICLE XII

## Operating Agreement

An Operating Agreement shall be prepared and adopted to govern the internal affairs of the Company containing such provisions as may be necessary, reasonable, or desirable, except that no provision of such Operating Agreement may conflict with the provisions of these Articles unless permitted herein. The power to adopt, alter, amend, or repeal the Operating Agreement shall be set forth therein.

## ARTICLE XIII

## Contracting Debts

No debt shall be contracted nor liability incurred by or on behalf of the Company except by its Manager, and no Member is authorized or empowered to contract debts or incur liabilities on behalf of the Company unless such Member is also a Manager.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned have executed these Articles of Organization as
the organizing Members this 22 <sup>n</sup> day of May, 2000.
TREND REALTY SERVICES, INC.  ADVANCED TITLE RESEARCH SERVICES, INC.
By: Janice Baur, President  By: Craig J. Muldoon, President
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ALACHUA  COUNTY OF ALACHUA  A day of Many
The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this  day of
Caralyn Adackstock
Signature of Person Taking Acknowledgment  AV COMMISSION # CC 658190  EXPIRES: August 30, 2001  Sonded Thru Notary Public Underwriters
Name of Acknowledgor Typed, Printed or Stamped  My commission expires:
STATE OF FLORIDA COUNTY OF ALACHUA The foregoing instrument was acknowledged before me this 22 day of May 2000 by JANICE BAUR, as President of TREND REALTY SERVICES, INC., on behalf of the
Corporation. JANICE BAUR is personally known to me or produced as identification, and did not take an oath.
Signature of Person Taking Acknowledgment
Name of Acknowledgor Typed, Printed on the property of the pro

## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION AND ACCEPTANCE OF REGISTERED AGENT FOR TREND TITLE SERVICES, LLC

The undersigned, having been named Registered Agent and designated to accept service of process for the above-stated Limited Liability Company pursuant to the provisions of Section 608.415, Florida Statutes, at the place designated herein, hereby accepts the appointment as registered agent and agrees to act in such capacity. The undersigned further agrees to comply with the provisions of all statutes relative to the proper and complete performance of the duties of registered agent, and acknowledges familiarity with, and accepts, the obligations of that position.

CRAIG J. MULDOON

DATED: 5-21-2000