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Florida Department of State  
Division of Corporations  
Corporate Filings  
P.O. Box 6327  
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Re: Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing please find the following documents necessary to form  
Limited Liability Company in the state of Florida:

1. Articles of Organization of Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC
2. Certificate of Designation of Registered Agent/Registered Office

Also enclosed is a check made payable to the Florida Department of State for  
\$125.00, to cover the cost of filing. Please return file marked copies of the enclosed documents  
to me in the self addressed stamped envelope I have provided.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

BAKER & DANIELS

Aubrey L. Rettig  
Paralegal

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TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA

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Enclosures  
cc: Kennard R. Weaver



FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF STATE

Katherine Harris  
Secretary of State

March 8, 2002

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SUBJECT: BANKS HARDWOODS FLORIDA, LLC  
Ref. Number: W02000006578

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We have received your document for BANKS HARDWOODS FLORIDA, LLC and your check(s) totaling \$125.00. However, the enclosed document has not been filed and is being returned for the following correction(s):

Written approval and clearance of the terms BANK, BANKER, BANKING, TRUST COMPANY, BANCSHARES, SAVINGS & LOAN ASSOCIATION, SAVINGS BANK, or CREDIT UNION or words of similar import, must be obtained from the Division of Banking, pursuant to section 655.922(2a), Florida Statutes.

Enclosed is a "Name Approval Request" form to be filled out and sent to the address indicated on the form. If the proposed name is approved by the Division of Banking, resubmit the document and approval letter to the Division of Corporations for filing.

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) 245-6020.

Tammi Cline  
Document Specialist

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**OFFICE OF THE COMPTROLLER**  
DEPARTMENT OF BANKING AND FINANCE  
**STATE OF FLORIDA**  
TALLAHASSEE  
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March 14, 2002

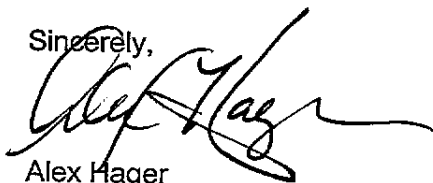
Aubrey Rettig, Esquire  
Baker & Daniels  
317 W. Franklin Street  
Elkhart, Indiana 46515

Re: Banks Hardwoods Florida, L.L.C.

Dear Ms. Rettig:

Thank you for your recent letter/fax requesting approval for use of the above-referenced corporate name. It is the opinion of this Department that your name is definitive enough to differentiate the business being conducted from that of a commercial bank or trust company. Therefore, the Department does not object to your use of the above-referenced corporate name being registered as a foreign corporation in the state of Florida.

Sincerely,



Alex Hager  
Director

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cc: Karon Beyer, Chief, Bureau of Corporate Records,  
Division of Corporations, Secretary of State's Office

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Re: Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC

Dear Sir or Madam:

Enclosed for filing please find the following documents necessary to form a Limited Liability Company in the state of Florida:

1. Articles of Organization of Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC
2. Certificate of Designation of Registered Agent/Registered Office
3. Letter of Approval for the word "Banks" from the Florida Department of Banking and Finance.

A check made payable to the Florida Department of State for \$125.00, to cover the cost of filing was submitted to your office on February 28, 2002. Please return file marked copies of the enclosed documents to me in the self addressed stamped envelope I have provided.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Sincerely,

**BAKER & DANIELS**

  
Aubrey L. Rettig  
Paralegal

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**ARTICLES OF ORGANIZATION  
OF  
BANKS HARDWOODS FLORIDA, LLC**

These Articles of Organization of BANKS HARDWOODS FLORIDA, LLC (the "Company"), are dated as of this 25<sup>th</sup> day of February, 2002, and are being duly executed and filed by the undersigned person:

**ARTICLE I**

Name

The name of the Company is Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC.

**ARTICLE II**

Registered Agent and Registered Office Address

The street address of the Company's registered office in the State of Florida at the time of filing these Articles of Organization is 1200 South Pine Island Road, Plantation Florida 33324.

**ARTICLE III**

Management by Managers

The Company is to be managed by one or more Managers in accordance with and with such powers, duties and liabilities as provided in the Company's Operating Agreement as in effect from time to time hereafter.

**ARTICLE IV**

Duration

The term of existence of the Company is perpetual until dissolved in accordance with the Act or the Company's Operating Agreement as in effect from time to time hereafter.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the undersigned person has executed these Articles of Organization as of the date first above written.

  
James Clarke, Secretary

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## CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE

PURSUANT TO THE PROVISIONS OF SECTION 608.415 OR 608.507, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE UNDERSIGNED LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY SUBMITS THE FOLLOWING STATEMENT TO DESIGNATE A REGISTERED OFFICE AND REGISTERED AGENT IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA.

1. The name of the Limited Liability Company is:

Banks Hardwoods Florida, LLC

2. The name and the Florida street address of the registered agent and office are:

C T Corporation System

(Name)

c/o C T Corporation System, 1200 South Pine Island Road

Florida street address (P.O. Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

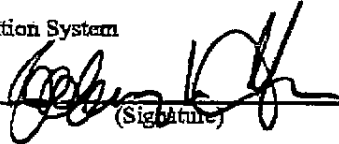
Plantation

FL 33324

City/State/Zip

*Having been named as registered agent and to accept service of process for the above stated limited liability company at the place designated in this certificate, 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 relating to the proper and complete performance of my duties, and I am familiar with and accept the obligations of my position as registered agent as provided for in Chapter 608, F.S..*

C T Corporation System

  
(Signature)

Jeffrey R. Graves  
Assistant Secretary

**\$ 100.00 Filing Fee for Application**  
**\$ 25.00 Designation of Registered Agent**  
**\$ 30.00 Certified Copy (optional)**  
**\$ 5.00 Certificate of Status (optional)**

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