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TO: Registration Section
Division of Corporations

SUBJECT: BERKLEY SURETY GROUP, LLC
(Name of Limited Liability Company)

The enclosed "Application by Foreign Limited Liability Company for Authorization to Transact Business in Florida," Certificate of Existence, and check are submitted to register the above referenced foreign limited liability company to transact business in Florida..

Please return all correspondence concerning this matter to the following:

KAROLINE OSSONSKI
(Name of Person)

ACADIA INSURANCE COMPANY
(Firm/Company)

ONE ACADIA COMMONS,
(Address)

WESTBROOK, ME 04098
(City/State and Zip Code)

For further information concerning this matter, please call:

KAROLINE OSSONSKI at (207) 228-1932
(Name of Person) (Area Code & Daytime Telephone Number)

MAILING ADDRESS:
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P.O. Box 6327
Tallahassee, FL 32314

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Clifton Building
2661 Executive Center Circle
Tallahassee, FL 32301

Enclosed is a check for the following amount:

☒ \$125.00 Filing Fee ☐ \$130.00 Filing Fee & Certificate of Status ☐ \$155.00 Filing Fee & Certified Copy ☐ \$160.00 Filing Fee, Certificate of Status & Certified Copy

**APPLICATION BY FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY FOR AUTHORIZATION TO
TRANSACT BUSINESS IN FLORIDA**

IN COMPLIANCE WITH SECTION 608.503, FLORIDA STATUTES, THE FOLLOWING IS SUBMITTED TO REGISTER A FOREIGN LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY TO TRANSACT BUSINESS IN THE STATE OF FLORIDA:

1. BERKLEY SURETY GROUP, LLC
(Name of Foreign Limited Liability Company; must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," or "LLC.")

(If name unavailable, enter alternate name adopted for the purpose of transacting business in Florida and attach a copy of the written consent of the managers or managing members adopting the alternate name. The alternate name must include "Limited Liability Company," "L.L.C.," "LLC.")

2. DELAWARE 3. 22-3376348
(Jurisdiction under the law of which foreign limited liability company is organized) INITIAL ENTITY DATE: (FEI number, if applicable)

4. 02/28/1995 5. PERPETUAL
(Date of Organization) (Duration: Year limited liability company will cease to exist or "perpetual")

6. 01/01/2009 - DATE OF CONVERSION OF CORPORATION INTO BERKLEY SURETY GROUP, LLC
(Date first transacted business in Florida, if prior to registration.)
(See sections 608.501 & 608.502 F.S. to determine penalty liability)

7. 325 COLUMBIA TURNPIKE, SUITE 203
FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932
(Street Address of Principal Office)

8. If limited liability company is a manager-managed company, check here ☒

9. The name and usual business addresses of the managing members or managers are as follows:

STEVEN F. COWARD 325 COLUMBIA TPKE., STE. 203, FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932


CHARLES A. HAMBLER, ONE ACADIA COMMONS, WESTBROOK, ME 04098

MICHAEL J. HURLEY, 325 COLUMBIA TPKE., STE. 203, FLORHAM PARK, NJ 07932

10. Attached is an original certificate of existence, no more than 90 days old, duly authenticated by the official having custody of records in the jurisdiction under the law of which it is organized. (A photocopy is not acceptable. If the certificate is in a foreign language, a translation of the certificate under oath of the translator must be submitted.)

11. Nature of business or purposes to be conducted or promoted in Florida: SURETY BOND

UNDERWRITING AND MANAGEMENT SERVICES TO AFFILIATED PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE COMPANIES.


Signature of a member or an authorized representative of a member
(In accordance with section 608.408(3), F.S., the execution of this document constitutes an affirmation under the penalties of perjury that the facts stated herein are true.)

CHARLES A. HAMBLER

Typed or printed name of signee

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**CERTIFICATE OF DESIGNATION OF
REGISTERED AGENT/REGISTERED OFFICE**

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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:

BERKLEY SURETY GROUP, LLC

If name unavailable, the alternate name to be used in the state of Florida is:

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

BOB KNOKE
(Name)

4211 W. BOY SCOUT BLVD., STE. 150

Florida Street Address (P.O. Box **NOT** ACCEPTABLE)

TAMPA, FL 33607
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, Florida Statutes.



(Signature)

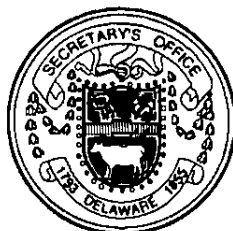
\$ 100.00 Filing Fee for Application
\$ 25.00 Designation of Registered Agent
\$ 30.00 Certified Copy (optional)
\$ 5.00 Certificate of Status (optional)

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I, HARRIET SMITH WINDSOR, SECRETARY OF STATE OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE, DO HEREBY CERTIFY "BERKLEY SURETY GROUP, LLC" IS DULY FORMED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE STATE OF DELAWARE AND IS IN GOOD STANDING AND HAS A LEGAL EXISTENCE SO FAR AS THE RECORDS OF THIS OFFICE SHOW, AS OF THE SEVENTH DAY OF JANUARY, A.D. 2009.



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Harriet Smith Windsor

Harriet Smith Windsor, Secretary of State

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DATE: 01-07-09