STATE OF ALABAMA)
SHELBY COUNTY)

AFFIDAVIT OF JOHN BURDETTE BATES

Before me, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County, in said State, personally appeared John Burdette Bates, to me known, who after first being duly sworn, deposes and says as follows, to-wit: "My name is John Burdette Bates and I am a resident of Shelby County, Alabama. There is found of record in the Probate Office of Shelby County, Alabama, a mortgage executed by me, to First Alabama Leasing, Inc. and Standard Leasing Corporation, which said mortgage is found of record in the said Probate Office in Mortgage Book 395, Page 65. To secure the payment of this mortgage to the payees therein, I assigned certain notes and mortgages on property located in Jefferson County, Alabama, to First Alabama Leasing, Inc. and Standard Leasing Corporation. These assigned indebtedness were collected by a third party collection agency, now no longer in business, and this agency remitted the monthly payment on the mortgage found in Mortgage Volume 395, Page 65, to the two payees in their respective proportions. In the due course of business, on or about May 22, 1986, I received a release of the assignments of the notes and mortgages located in Jefferson County and a full satisfaction of the interest of First Alabama Leasing, Inc., which was not recorded at the time, but is available for recording simultaneously with this instrument. Either the release due from Standard Leasing Corporation was never issued, or if issued has been lost and is unavailable for recording. I have made an effort to locate Standard Leasing Corporation, and have been unable to locate the corporation and assume are no longer in business. I further know that in the years since receipt of the of the release from First Alabama no one has made a demand on me for the payment of any indebtedness due Standard Leasing Corporation. I hereby certify that the above and foregoing is true and correct to the best of my knowledge."

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my signature and seal this 4th day of December, 1996.

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Sworn to and subscribed before me on this the 4th day of December, 1996, as witness my hand and official seal of office.

Lola (nne Frederick Notary Public, State of Alabama at Large

This instrument was prepared by:

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