Prepared by and Return to: Synovus Financial Corporation Attn: Nan Walker P.O. Box 1638 Roswell, GA 30077

STATE OF ALABAMA

COUNTY OF SHELBY

MORTGAGE RELEASE

FOR AND IN CONSIDERATION OF ONE DOLLAR (\$1.00) and other good and valuable consideration in hand paid, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, the undersigned, Synovus Bank, formerly known as Columbus Bank & Trust, successor through name change and by merger with First Commercial Bank, as lender, by virtue of that certain Home Equity Line of Credit Mortgage recorded 12/16/2008 does hereby release and discharge from the lien of that certain mortgage executed 11/26/2008 by HOWELL, JOHN E. recorded as Instrument # 20081216000466800 all in the Probate Office of Shelby County, AL.

Synovus Bank, formerly known as Columbus Bank and Trust, successor in interest and through name change and by merger with

First Commercial Bank

Witness

Debra F. Lee Vice President

STATE OF GEORGIA COUNTY OF FORSYTH

I, Nance C. Walker, the undersigned, a Notary Public in and for said County in said State, hereby certify that **Debra F. Lee** whose name is signed to the foregoing satisfaction as **Vice President** of **Synovus Bank**, *formerly known as Columbus Bank and Trust, successor in interest and through name change and by merger with First Commercial Bank who is known to me and has full authority, acknowledged before me on this day that, being informed of the contents of the instrument, she with full authority executed the same voluntarily on the day the same bears date.*

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FEB. 14, 2013

Given under my hand and seal this 22nd February, 2013.

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Nance C. Walker, Notary Public Expiration Date: 14th February, 2013

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