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August 1, 2006

CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT # 70020860000635854413, and by email to
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TO: Mr. Darren James Michaels, et. al,
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Re: Infringement and Theft of Intellectual Property and Rights, Infringement and Theft of
Copyrights and Trademarks, Dilution of Copyrights, Trademarks and Corporate Image,
Unauthorized Use and Disclosure of Intellectual Property and Rights, Trademarked
Material and Copyrighted Material, Misrepresentation as an Employee-Agent of Florida
Homestead Services, LLC, Identity Theft of Florida Homestead Services, LLC,
Perpetration of Fraud, Theft of Company Property and violations of Federal and Florida
State laws.

Dear Darren James Michaels,

It has come to our attention that you Darren James Michaels, and your entity Homestead
Services of Florida, have made unauthorized use(s) of Florida Homestead Services, LLC
("FHS") copyrights and trademarked intellectual property, text, images, documents and
materials (the "Work") or the rights thereto, posted and displayed at your Homestead
Services of Florida website and other public places, including but not limited to the

dissemination of Work(s) derived therefrom, and you have also misrepresented yourself as an agent and/or employee of Florida Homestead Services, LLC. You have also directly participated in intellectual and corporate identity theft, fraud, internet fraud, and numerous state and federal crimes which will soon be prosecuted.

This letter is to inform you that FHS is initiating state and federal prosecution against you and demands that you immediately cease and desist. As you are no doubt aware, FHS has reserved all rights in the Work(s) stated herein, first published in 1994, and FHS has registered copyright(s) and trademark(s) therein at the US Patent and Trademark Office in Washington D.C. and at the Division of Corporations, Secretary of State, State of Florida. We have reserved any and all rights in the Work(s) which were first published in 1999 on the FHS website, and we have registered the copyright, text, images, documents and all other materials currently displayed and publicly marketed by you. This letter is also formal notice that your use is an infringement of our trade dress rights under Section 43(a) of the Lanham Act, 15 U.S.C. §1125(a). FHS also claims copyright in its business design, model, authorship and originality which copyright(s) you have also infringed. FHS has reason to believe that your infringement is intentional and deliberate and that you are attempting to model our business by copying its trade dress, model and design in a threatening and deceptive manner.

It has also recently come to our attention that your web site, <http://www.homesteadservicesflorida.com> is also using an image(s) and text(s) which were illegally taken from Florida Homestead Services, LLC and/or its copyright web site. As you are aware, those images are located at the website owned by you, Darren J. Michaels, found at <http://www.homesteadservicesflorida.com> and its associated web sites and their sub-pages. Your unlawful and deceptive use of the image(s), intellectual and copyright property, documents and text of FHS is indeed a violation of trademark and copyright law and is not covered by "fair use." Nearly the entire image(s) and/or text file(s) from the [homesteadservicesflorida.com](http://www.homesteadservicesflorida.com) web site is used on your web site with no noticeable changes or authorization. Furthermore, your unaltered image(s) and text substantially diminishes the potential value of the original image(s), information, text and business model as utilized by Florida Homestead Services, LLC on correspondence across America, throughout the State of Florida and online.

Moreover, your infringing activity and the substantial and confusing similarity of your website creates the false impression that Florida Homestead Services, LLC is sponsoring or endorsing your altered and unlawful activities and website e-commerce in violation of the Lanham Act and numerous state laws, as it contains the text, intellectual property and copyright Work(s) or Mark(s) that belongs to Florida Homestead Services, LLC, along with the fact that you are engaged in statewide commerce without any legal or statutory authority. You have not been licensed nor authorized in any manner to use the image(s) or any text, trademark(s), logo(s) belonging to Florida Homestead Services, LLC, nor licensed to perform any business or activity in the State of Florida.

The Lanham Act, among others, provides numerous remedies for trademark infringement and dilution, including, but not limited to, preliminary and permanent injunctive relief, money damages, a defendant's profits, provisions for the destruction or confiscation of infringing products and promotional materials, and where intentional infringement is shown as would be the case here, attorneys' fees and treble money damages. Judicial relief includes, but is not limited to: destruction of the infringing articles under 15 U.S.C. §1118; treble damages, your profits, any damages sustained, court costs and attorneys fees under 15 U.S.C. §1117; injunction under 15 U.S.C.

§1116; injunction and damages under the copyright laws, which FHS is moving the court for said relief.

Florida Homestead Services, LLC is the owner of several United States Federal Trademark Registration(s) and US Copyright Office Registration(s), No's. TX6-107-572, TX6-158-293, TX 107-573, TX 6-107-571, Florida Trademark Registration No. T06000000038, Florida Corporate Registration No. L05000022689, Florida Fictitious Name Registration No's. G05265900303, G06074900115, G06074900113 (the "Mark") and numerous other pending Marks, patents, use, property and trademark registrations pertaining to the FHS use, internet website, terms and conditions, business model and Mark(s) authorized by federal law and Florida Statutes. FHS uses its Mark(s) and model in the United States in conjunction with information in connection with goods and/or services in Florida and elsewhere. FHS's federal and state registration(s) have been in full effect for over two years. FHS owns the domain name FloridaHomesteadServices.com, among others, which is an operating legitimate commercial business and e-commerce website since 2004 which has been diluted by your attempt to imitate our company and business model from copyright and intellectual property violations.

FHS has recently discovered that you, Darren J. Michaels, has or is unlawfully representing yourself to be an agent or employee affiliated with Florida Homestead Services, LLC and/or Homestead Services of Florida, which has been deceitfully registered, and is using www.homesteadservicesflorida.com among other web pages as enumerated herein (collectively the "Domain Name") as a World Wide Web domain name in violation of the AntiCybersquatting Consumer Protection Act of 1999, which is embodied in the Lanham Act. Furthermore, Darren J. Michaels, you are intentionally trading, engaging in commerce and misrepresenting on the goodwill of FHS by using a trademark that is confusingly similar to FHS and other Marks and using the names, information, text, documentation, model and other Work(s) illegally and without authority, which is also a state and federal crime.

The Work(s) which appears on your web site at <http://www.homesteadservicesflorida.com> among others and used by you, Darren J. Michaels, is essentially identical to the protected Work(s) of FHS and you, Darren J. Michaels, clearly used FHS' Work(s) as its basis. You, Darren J. Michaels neither asked for nor received permissions to use, download, redistribute, or reproduce, or to use any facsimile of the Work(s) of FHS as the basis for Darren J. Michaels' website or illegal and non-lawful commercial services nor to make or distribute copies of the Work(s) of FHS. All of FHS's Work(s) has been previously electronically watermarked and signed with encryption and/or security certificates upon creation and prior to posting and electronic public distribution which has been and is currently fully traceable and has been electronically captured from the public domain on your, Darren J. Michaels' web site among other public places for use as hard evidence of said fraud and theft.

FHS has also recently discovered that you, Darren J. Michaels have or has posted and displayed and filed said various electronically watermarked, digitally signed and fully traceable elements and facsimiles of the Work of FHS at a website entitled Homestead Services of Florida .com and at other public places, which elements are essentially identical to the Work of FHS and clearly used the Work of FHS as its basis. The Work has been fully captured and the electronic signatures have been fully verified and properly secured from the Yahoo!, Melbourne IT and iPowerWeb name servers for use as evidence in a court of law and equity along with the unique and encrypted electronic

signatures and encrypted certificates of certain images, Work(s) and documents displayed and publicly filed.

An example that illustrates your direct copying of FHS Work(s) is your home index page which was taken directly from FHS' Work(s) on FHS' website among other things, and the fact that you, Darren James Michaels, have and continue to utilize FHS' trademark and registered fictitious name(s) in or on your website and other text with the intent to deceive and confuse the public at large. Another specific example that illustrates your direct copying, theft, misrepresentation, and use of FHS' Work(s) is a public record filing in the Office of the Orange County Comptroller, Official Records Book 08617, Page 4044, Certified Filing Number 20060284975, Official Records Book 08617, Page 4045, Certified Filing Number 20060284976, Official Records Book 08617, Page 4758-4759, Certified Filing Number 20060285105 in which you submitted the Work(s) of FHS on behalf of, and representing FHS without legal authority, and charged the unsuspecting consumer the amount of five hundred dollars (\$500.00) for which we seek additional immediate payment along with vast compensatory and punitive damages in addition to injunctive relief.

Through Florida Homestead Services' extensive and continuous use and promotion of our property, product, business model and other services or information, Florida Homestead Services' Mark(s) is recognized around the State of Florida and the nation as a legitimate business, and its intellectual property has acquired substantial trust and goodwill, particularly among both its state and nationwide customers. Please be advised that the actions and information described on your website, including the text, and any other documents are deemed illegal, and that any effort by either yourself or any of your assigns or clients and customers to continue to convey to others through any means, any information gleaned in whole or in part from such Work(s) and actions, particularly in an effort to cause Florida Homestead Services, LLC economic harm, are illegal and improper. The fact that FHS can prove theft of FHS' Work(s) and copyright, trademarked intellectual property supported by electronically encrypted means is proof beyond a reasonable doubt of your illegal and fraudulent actions.

Please be advised of FHS' view that it is immediately actionable for you or your website to facilitate and continue use, sales, distribution, posting, display and advertisement of FHS Work(s) and business model among other things, the disclosure of web pages and captured text, the releasing of html code, the description of FHS intellectual property, and the copyrighted text and documentation or public filing of FHS Work(s). Please be advised further that the www.homesteadservicesflorida.com website's use of the Work(s) and the text is unauthorized and far exceeds the parameters of any nominative fair use, constituting a false designation of origin in violation of the aforesaid federal Lanham Act, and FHS states that FHS has not authorized Florida Homestead Services, LLC's intellectual property or other information or Work(s) whatsoever to be used in any materials or in any presentation outside of the entity without exclusive written permission, which has not been granted to you.

FHS is also examining whether the actions of yourself, Darren James Michaels, and your website may have caused other damages in which you are deemed to have violated, other federal laws, including among others, the Digital Millennium Copyright Act, the Economic Espionage Act, the Electronic Communications Privacy Act, the Wiretap Act, the Consumer Fraud and Abuse Act, the AntiSpam Act, as well as Florida's Computer Systems Protection Act and numerous federal and state civil and criminal statutes. You are also deemed to be in violation of Intellectual Property laws, and the

Communications Omnibus Reform Act of 1999, the Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy, the Rules for Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy, the Federal Trademark Dilution Act, the AntiCybersquatting Consumer Protection Act, 15 USC § 1125, U.S. Copyright and Trademark Violations, along with other prominent Federal and State Trademark and Copyright law violations.

As you neither asked for nor received permission to use the Work of FHS as the basis for your illegitimate and confusing website at Homestead Services of Florida.com, nor to make or distribute copies, including electronic copies of the same, nor utilize FHS' business model, FHS believes that you have deliberately acted in bad faith and also willfully infringed our rights under 17 U.S.C. Section 101, et seq. and are liable for statutory damages as high as \$150,000 as set forth in Section 504(c)(2) therein for each count. The behavior in question includes publishing, displaying, selling or filing materials or making statements that FHS considers copyright infringement, trademark infringement, patent infringement, business model infringement, engaging in commerce without legal authority, unauthorized practicing of law, and misrepresenting yourself as an agent or employee of FHS and slander and/or libel. This letter constitutes the beginning of serious legal action against you, your agents, clients and your assigns if you continue to use the Work(s) of FHS or publish the materials in question or make statements similar to the ones in question, or disseminate similarities of any nature of FHS business or its model upon receipt of this notice. You are hereby being alerted to a substantial claim for money, compensatory and punitive damages, as a result of the aforementioned tort(s) and/or breach of contract.

It is clear that your, Darren James Michaels' use of the Domain Name and documents obtained from FHS and/or its Domain Name(s) is intended to, and actually does, confuse and misdirect legitimate customers seeking FHS's legitimate services or website to Darren J. Michaels' website, while ensuring that Darren J. Michaels's customers are not confused. This activity is separately actionable under federal and state law and causes Darren J. Michaels to be liable to FHS and to each and every one of its officers, shareholders and agents in every county or state in which Darren J. Michaels has made display of the Mark(s) and/or information, sales, misrepresentation and Work(s) of FHS. Darren J. Michaels' activities are clearly unlawful and constitute unfair competition, intentional trademark infringement, trademark and tradename dilution, theft of company property, false designation of origin, intellectual property theft, copyright infringement, commerce deception, false advertising, false representation, fraudulent practice, unlawful practice of law and cybersquatting, among others.

FHS has already commenced several options to enforce its legal rights and has taken immediate action in the form of this cease and desist communication, a communication to the public at large, an Unauthorized Practice of Law Complaint to the Florida Bar, and formal complaints and demands to prosecute you to various state and federal agencies which have jurisdiction over you. FHS has also submitted the matter to the Internet Corporation for Assigned Names and Numbers to be fully resolved under its Uniform Domain Name Dispute Resolution Policy and seek a ruling that your Domain Name(s) be transferred to FHS.

Second, FHS will file a lawsuit forthwith against Darren James Michaels and any agent, customer or associated entity whether valid or not, seeking: (i) preliminary and permanent injunctions, (ii) money damages, (iii) compensation equal to Darren James Michaels' profits, (iv) reimbursement for FHS's attorney's fees, (v) punitive damages, (vi) a court order that Darren James Michaels be enjoined from any further acts enumerated

herein but not limited thereto or be held in criminal contempt, (vii) transfer of the Domain Name(s) to FHS and (viii) that Darren Michaels compensate FHS and that of its agents and assigns for any and all damages to FHS's reputation, loss of business, its corporate model, security and goodwill and (ix) equitable remedy of imposing a constructive trust.

Florida Homestead Services, LLC is also seeking in its suit a motion for preliminary and permanent injunctive relief against you, Darren James Michaels, and Homestead Services of Florida, if such a lawful entity exists, to prevent the further and anticipated actions of you Darren J. Michaels, and those that Darren J. Michaels' website has announced. Florida Homestead Services, LLC is also actively participating as a witness, and seeking a permanent restraining order and other injunctive and compensatory relief in a separate legal matter(s) in which you are involved. Failure to comply with the FHS demands herein will further expose you, your agents and assigns to subsequent actions for injunctive relief or monetary damages, and any other relief permitted under state and federal law, including court costs and attorneys' fees. You may also wish to consider and examine the potential criminal consequences under theories of aiding and abetting and conspiracy if you facilitate further efforts to utilize FHS' Work despite your known and blatant theft, especially with others.

Accordingly, Florida Homestead Services, LLC hereby demands that you immediately cease and desist from any disclosure of information noted above or any facilitation of that disclosure, including but not limited to the disclosure of Works derived by Florida Homestead Services, LLC. Florida Homestead Services, LLC also demands that you immediately cease and desist from any facilitation of the use of its name, any similarities thereto, the same business services and practices, products and Mark(s) in any manner, including any facsimiles thereof, and that you completely remove all references to "Florida" "Homestead" "Services" and Florida Homestead Services, LLC's or its assigned Work(s) and model from any website, power point presentation, handouts, documentation, text, html code, any public display or any other internet site, promotional materials, including all files and records that may have been prepared or in use or currently used in connection with your illegitimate business and website, and that you permanently refrain from any use of such Work(s) or Mark(s). FHS also expects complete removal of your website(s) as they are illegally using copyright Work(s), Mark(s) and text, and also the fact that a commercial enterprise is being performed without approval by the State of Florida which has been reported.

If you fail to comply with these requests forthwith, Florida Homestead Services, LLC will have no choice but to continue to proceed in a manner appropriate to protect its valuable intellectual property and rights forthwith, without limitation. Such behavior by you or anyone else is completely unacceptable and will not be tolerated in any way, shape or form by FHS. FHS demands that you immediately cease and desist the use of FHS Mark(s), Work(s), names, documentation, text, images, html code, and distribution of all infringing works derived from the Work(s) of FHS, and all copies, including electronic copies of same, that you possess if applicable, all unused, undistributed copies of the same, and destroy such copies immediately and that you desist from doing business under this or any other facsimile thereof and infringement of our rights in the future. If FHS has not received an affirmative response from you by August 10, 2006 indicating that you have fully complied with these requirements, we shall take further and immediate action against you.

THIS COMMUNICATION IS NOT A CHEAP THREAT. IT IS A VERY SERIOUS MATTER AND FLORIDA HOMESTEAD SERVICES, LLC AND ITS OFFICERS INTEND

TO IMMEDIATELY PROSECUTE YOU TO THE FULLEST EXTENT OF STATE AND FEDERAL LAW FOR ANY AND ALL VIOLATIONS ENUMERATED HEREIN.

FHS prefers to resolve this matter without taking any further legal action, but is prepared to immediately move forward against you and all applicable parties if necessary to protect its rights and business under both federal and state statutes and under the laws affording personal and long-arm jurisdiction. Darren James Michaels, his agents, assigns, clients and his customers may be fully liable and may avoid legal action by having an authorized representative, or Darren J. Michaels sign this letter where indicated below and return the signed letter to us on or before August 10, 2006.

Based upon the foregoing, FHS hereby demands that you, Darren J. Michaels, your partners and assigns, immediately cease and desist and confirm to us in writing upon receipt of this letter that: (i) you have removed all infringing materials from your site, including the aforementioned intellectual property and all business related material(s); and (ii) you will refrain and have ceased and desisted from posting any similar infringing material on the Internet or any other on-line service similar to FHS in the future, and (iii) you destroy any and all correspondence used in conjunction with our services and business, and you (iv) refrain from engaging in any business model or facsimile thereof, similar to FHS.

The foregoing is without waiver of any and all rights of FHS or its agents and assigns and this correspondence is sent and posted in the public domain without prejudice to Florida Homestead Services, LLC, all of which rights are expressly reserved herein. This correspondence does not constitute an exhaustive statement of FHS' position nor is it a waiver of any rights and/or remedies in this and/or any other related business, civil, criminal or other matter.

FHS is sending you a copy of this letter by registered return receipt and first class mail to the addresses herein in case you refuse to accept the certified mail, return receipt requested version of this letter. We are also disseminating this as an official copy and notice of intent to all of the public through the public domain.

We appreciate your anticipated cooperation with this demand.

Sincerely,



/s/ John B. Sims-President
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Attachments – Evidence – Encryption/Electronic Signature Serial Numbers

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The undersigned covenants to take the following actions immediately: (i) transfer any and all rights of the undersigned in and to the following domain names to Florida Homestead Services, LLC: homesteadservicesflorida.com, homesteadservicesflorida.net, homesteadservicesflorida.org, homesteadservicesflorida.info, homesteadservicesflorida.biz, homesteadservicesflorida.us (collectively the "Domain Name"); and (ii) cease and desist from any and all use of the Domain Name, any and all text, Work, documents, images, business, sales, business model or any facsimile thereof.

Dated: _____, 2006.

Darren J. Michaels

By: _____

Its: _____

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