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OFFICIAL ORDER
of the
TEXAS COMMISSIONER OF INSURANCE

Date: **AUG 30 2012**

Subject Considered:

SOUTHERN TITLE INSURANCE CORPORATION
DESIGNATION AS AN IMPAIRED TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY
UNDER TEXAS INSURANCE CODE CHAPTER 2602

General remarks and official action taken:

The commissioner of insurance considered the matter of Southern Title Insurance Corporation, a title insurance company organized under the laws of Virginia that has been engaged in the business of title insurance in the State of Texas. On December 20, 2011, the Circuit Court of the City of Richmond found that any further transaction of business by Southern Title Insurance Corporation would be hazardous to its insureds, policyholders and creditors, and issued a *Final Order Appointing Receiver for Rehabilitation or Liquidation*. A moratorium has been placed on the payment of claims, and Southern Title Insurance Corporation is unable to pay obligations as they come due.

Based on these facts, the commissioner finds that Southern Title Insurance Corporation should be designated as an impaired title insurance company as defined in TEX. INS. CODE ANN. § 2602.003(6), to authorize the Texas Title Insurance Guaranty Association to handle covered claims of Southern Title Insurance Corporation.

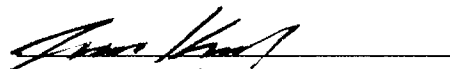
The commissioner orders that Southern is designated as an impaired title insurance company pursuant to TEX. INS. CODE ANN. § 2602.003(6).

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