



ATTORNEY'S PRELIMINARY REPORT ON TITLE

The undersigned has examined the record title on the \_\_\_\_\_ County records (and municipal tax and assessment records if within a municipality) for the period shown below relative to title to the real property described below, and gives the following opinion of status:

Owner(s): \_\_\_\_\_
Interest or estate: \_\_\_\_\_
Property Description: (or attach copy of legal description) \_\_\_\_\_

Subject to the uninitialed STANDARD EXCEPTIONS on reverse side hereof.
Also subject to the following SPECIAL INFORMATION AND EXCEPTIONS:

- Taxes:
1. Ad valorem taxes are paid through and including those for the year: \_\_\_\_\_
2. Taxes now due and payable: \_\_\_\_\_
3. Taxes, a lien, deferred or otherwise, but not yet due and payable: \_\_\_\_\_
4. Special levies or assessments now due or payable in future installments: \_\_\_\_\_
5. Estate or inheritance taxes: \_\_\_\_\_

- Restrictive Covenants: Yes [ ] ; No [ ]. (Attach copy).
1. Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Restrictive covenants \_\_\_\_\_ contain a reversionary or forfeiture clause unless indicated otherwise herein.
3. Building Setback Line(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ feet from front; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from side; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from side street; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from rear.
4. Easements/Other matters: \_\_\_\_\_

Survey and Inspections Report? Yes [ ] (see attached); No [ ] ; Will be provided at closing [ ] .

- Recorded Plat? Yes [ ] ; No [ ].
1. Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_.
2. Building Setback Line(s) of \_\_\_\_\_ feet from front; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from side; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from side street; \_\_\_\_\_ feet from rear.

Access to Public Right of Way? Yes [ ] ; No [ ].
Direct [ ] ; or over a private easement [ ] ? (If private easement, attach copy). If over a private easement, has a search been made of adjoining property on which easement crosses? Yes [ ] ; No [ ] .

Property Occupied By: Owner [ ] ; Tenant [ ] ; Vacant [ ] ; Unimproved [ ] ; Unknown [ ] .

Updating from Previous Title Insurance Policy? No [ ] ; Yes [ ] (Fidelity policy # \_\_\_\_\_).
(Attach copy if prior is with another title company). If "Yes", has a search of the public records regarding the owner(s) of the property on and after the date been accomplished? Yes [ ] ; No [ ] .

Other Easements, Liens, Deeds of Trust, Objections or Defects:

- [ ] D/T to Trustee for \_\_\_\_\_, in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ County Registry. (To be paid [ ] , subordinated [ ] , or remains [ ] .)
[ ] D/T to Trustee for \_\_\_\_\_, in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, recorded in Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ County Registry. To be paid [ ] , subordinated [ ] , or remains [ ] .)
[ ] Judgment in favor of \_\_\_\_\_, in the principal amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_, dated \_\_\_\_\_, docketed in Book \_\_\_\_\_, Page \_\_\_\_\_, Office of Clerk of Superior Court of \_\_\_\_\_ County. This judgment will be paid or released at closing.
[ ] General service and utility easements.
[ ] The improvements presently located on the land consist of a mobile home.
[ ] Other:

(Continue on next page if necessary)

This opinion of title is for the parties to whom it is furnished, is not transferable, and may not be used by any other person or entity without the prior written consent of the undersigned.

The Search Period was from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_ at \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

Telephone:

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ By: \_\_\_\_\_, Attorney

**Other Easements, Liens, Deeds of Trust, Objections or Defects:**

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**TITLE INSURANCE APPLICATION**

1. Owner's Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ (purchase price/value).
  - (a) Insured: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) Use of Property: Commercial [  ]; Residential [  ]; Unknown [  ]; or Other [  ].
  
2. Mortgage Insurance: \_\_\_\_\_ (loan amount).
  - (a) Insured: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) Lender's Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Fax: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (c) Loan funds fully disbursed at closing: Yes [  ]; No [  ].
  - (d) Loan is: Construction (Permanent [  ] or Temporary [  ]); FHA [  ]; VA [  ]; Conventional [  ]; Equity [  ]; Other [  ].
  - (e) The following Standard ALTA Endorsements are requested: \_\_\_\_\_
  
3. Policy Type: Regular [  ]; Enhanced [  ]; Enhanced Short Form [  ].
  
4. If Enhanced Short Form: (Improved residential property only)
  - (a) Loan Number: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (b) Property's Street Address: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (c) Closing Date: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (d) ProForma binder sent to: \_\_\_\_\_
  
5. Routing Instructions:
  - (a) Original Binder needed: Yes [  ]; No [  ] (Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_).
  - (b) Fax additional copies to: \_\_\_\_\_
  - (c) Insured Closing Letter needed: Yes [  ]; No [  ]. If "Yes", send copy to attorney [  ]; other [  ] (Fax #: \_\_\_\_\_).

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**STANDARD EXCEPTIONS**

The attorney should initial any exceptions that are to be eliminated on the line to the left of the exception.

- \_\_\_\_\_ 1. Interest or claims not disclosed by public records, including but not limited to:
  - (a) Unrecorded Mechanics' or Materialsmen's liens. (Liens may be filed by persons or entities furnishing labor or materials to any improvements of real property within 120 days from the last day of performance and will upon perfection relate in priority to the first day of performance as a valid lien on real property.)
  - (b) Unrecorded leases. (Under North Carolina law, parties in possession of the premises under a verbal or unrecorded lease of three years or less duration may remain in possession under terms of tenancy.)
  - (c) Matters that may defeat or impair title which do not appear on the record. (Evidence revealing missing heirs, forgeries, etc. may not be on the public records, but such facts if properly established may impair or defeat what appears to be a good title on the record.)
  - (d) Taxes, special assessments and other governmental charges that are not shown as existing liens by the public records. (Governmental charges may be made for acreage fees, tap-on fees, cost of weed cutting, demolition of condemned buildings and other matters that are not shown as existing liens on the property by the public records.)
  - (e) Unlisted personal property taxes. (If discovered, such taxes and any penalties may be assessed as a lien on the subject property.)
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 2. Matters occurring prior to and subsequent to the inclusive dates of examination.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 3. Matters which would be revealed by a review of the public records regarding the proposed purchaser/borrower, who is not a current owner of the property.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 4. Any inaccuracies and discrepancies which an accurate survey of the property may disclose. (A survey, if procured from a competent surveyor or civil engineer, will normally determine whether improvements lie within the boundaries of the property, whether existing utility lines, roads or other easements cross the premises, and whether there are any encroachments.)
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 5. Security interests that may have attached to fixtures on the subject property as provided in Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code of North Carolina.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 6. Compliance with any local, county, state or federal government law or regulation relative to environment, zoning, subdivision, occupancy, use, construction or development of the subject property.
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 7. Federal judgments, liens, and proceedings filed only in the Federal Court. (Upon the filing of a petition in Bankruptcy, title to real property vests in the Trustee in Bankruptcy and notice thereof is not always required to be filed in the County in which the Bankrupt owns property; federal condemnation proceedings may vest property in the federal government and notice thereof is not required to be recorded among the County records.)
  
- \_\_\_\_\_ 8. Civil actions where no notice of *lis pendens* against subject property appears of record.

Note: The matters included in Standard Exceptions Number One (1) above set forth are items that cannot be checked. Standard Exceptions numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 are not included in a normal search of the County records during examination of title. Upon special request, additional investigation may be made, and Standard Exceptions numbered 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, and 8 can be eliminated. Any such elimination is evidenced by the initialing of such exception in the left margin by the attorney.