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IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE  
SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, IN  
AND FOR LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

In Re: The Receivership of  
ASSOCIATED BUSINESS OWNERS  
SELF INSURERS FUND, INC.

CASE NO. 1997-CA-001219

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LEON COUNTY, FLORIDA

**RECEIVER'S MOTION FOR APPROVAL OF THE  
FIRST INTERIM CLAIMS REPORT AND RECOMMENDATION ON CLAIMS**

THE FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES, as Receiver of Associated Business Owners Self Insurers Fund, Inc. (hereinafter "Receiver"), moves this Honorable Court for an entry of an Order approving the Receiver's First Interim Claims Report and Recommendation on Claims and in support of its motion states:

1. Associated Business Owners Self Insurers Fund, Inc. (hereinafter "ABO"), was a Florida corporation previously authorized to transact insurance business in the State of Florida. On March 25, 1997, this Court adjudicated ABO insolvent and entered the Order Appointing the Florida Department of Insurance as Receiver (of ABO) for the Purposes of Liquidation, Injunction, and Notice of Automatic Stay (the "Order"). On January 7, 2003, the Florida Department of Insurance became a part of the Florida Department of Financial Services.

2. This Court has jurisdiction over the ABO Receivership and is "authorized to make all necessary or proper orders to carry out the purposes of" the Florida Insurers Rehabilitation and Liquidation Act. Section 631.021(1), Florida Statutes.

3. The Receiver has completed its evaluation of all non-guaranty association claims as to class for Classes 2 through 9. However, there are only funds available for the evaluated amount on Class 2 claims that were filed with the Receiver pursuant to Section 631.181, Florida Statutes. Attached and by reference made a part hereof, is the Receiver's First Interim Claims

Report dated June 20, 2007 (hereinafter the "Report"). The Report is attached in electronic form as a CD-R marked as Exhibit A.

4. Part A of the Report lists the claim of Non Guaranty Association Claimants. The total amount of the claims in Part A of the Report is \$44,989,800.77. The total amount recommended by the Receiver in Part A of the Report is \$6,453.59. For the Court's convenience, a paper copy of the summary totals from Part A of the Report is attached as Exhibit B.

5. Under Section 631.181, Florida Statutes, claimants are entitled to notice of the Receiver's recommendation on their claims and the deadline for filing an objection. A sample copy of the "Notice to Claimants" is attached as Exhibit C. Pursuant to 631.182, Florida Statutes, the Receiver requests that its First Interim Claims Report and Recommendations on Claims, contained therein, be approved, unless an objection is filed within the deadline approved by the Court.

6. The Receiver has a procedure for handling late filed objections. For any objection filed after the deadline, the Receiver will send a letter to the claimant advising them that their objection was not filed in compliance with Florida Statutes and this Court's Order and will not be handled as a filed objection. A copy of this letter will be filed with the Court.

WHEREFORE, the Receiver respectfully requests this Court enter an Order:

A. Authorizing and directing the Receiver to provide notice to each claimant, as herewith reported to the Court, of the Receiver's recommendation regarding their claim, by United States Mail to the last known address of such person, as shown in the Receiver's files.

B. Directing all persons who have filed claims, as herewith reported to the Court, to file any objection they might have to the Receiver's Report with the Clerk of this Court on or

before 11:59 p.m. on August 31, 2007, and file a copy of said objection with the Receiver at the following address:

The Florida Department of Financial Services  
As Receiver for Associated Business Owners, SIF, Inc.  
P.O. Box 110  
Tallahassee, Florida 32302-0110

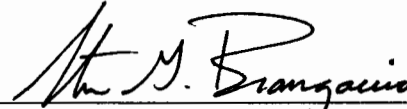
C. Requiring any persons filing objections to submit documentation to support their claim and that the Court will not consider any information or documentation submitted after the objection is filed.

D. Approving the Receiver's First Interim Claims Report and Recommendation on claims for which no objections are filed.

E. Approving the Receiver's procedure for addressing late filed objections.

SUBMITTED on this 27<sup>th</sup> day of June, 2007.

By:



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FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES - DIVISION OF REHABILITATION AND LIQUIDATION  
 ASSOCIATED BUSINESS OWNERS SELF INSURERS FUND INC.  
 FIRST INTERIM CLAIMS REPORT  
 PART A - FOR NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS

SUMMARY TOTALS

TOTAL AMOUNT CLAIMED BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS \$44,989,800.77  
 TOTAL AMOUNT RECOMMENDED TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS \$6,453.59  
 TOTAL NUMBER 1,998

Secured Claims

COUNT OF SECURED CLAIMS : 0  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR SECURED CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$0.00  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR SECURED CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION

UnSecured Claims

COUNT OF CLASS 1 CLAIMS : 0 COUNT OF CLASS 6 CLAIMS : 354  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 1 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$0.00 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 6 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$2,079,205.00  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 1 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 6 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS :  
 COUNT OF CLASS 2 CLAIMS : 1,363 COUNT OF CLASS 7 CLAIMS : 0  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 2 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS \$40,973,680.26 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 7 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$0.00  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 2 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 7 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS :

COUNT OF CLASS 3 CLAIMS : 0 COUNT OF CLASS 8 CLAIMS : 125  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 3 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$0.00 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 8 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$1,525,810.48  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 3 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 8 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS :

COUNT OF CLASS 4 CLAIMS : 0 COUNT OF CLASS 9 CLAIMS : 147  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 4 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$0.00 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 9 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$406,193.57  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 4 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 9 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS :

COUNT OF CLASS 5 CLAIMS : 9 COUNT OF CLASS 10 CLAIMS : 0  
 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 5 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION \$4,911.46 AMOUNT CLAIMED FOR CLASS 10 CLAIMS BY NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : \$0.00  
 AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 5 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS : AMOUNT RECMD FOR CLASS 10 CLAIMS TO NON GUARANTY ASSOCIATION CLAIMANTS :

Note: If status is unevaluated, then dollar amounts have been suppressed



**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
RECEIVER**

**ASSOCIATED BUSINESS OWNERS SIF INC.**

July 20, 2007

**NOTICE TO CLAIMANTS**

«full\_name»  
«street»  
«unit»  
«city» «state» «zip»-«zip4»

INSURED: «policyhold»

IDENTIFICATION NUMBER: «ccode» «id\_no»-«suffix»

POLICY NUMBER: «policy\_no»  
CLAIM NUMBER: «claim\_no»  
AMOUNT CLAIMED: «amt\_claimd»  
AMOUNT GUARANTY PAID: «gf\_paid»  
AMOUNT RECOMMENDED  
CLAIMANT: «amt\_due\_cl»  
CLASS: «class»

***THIS IS NOT A BILL***

RE: Associated Business Owners SIF Inc.

***THIS IS NOT A BILL***

Civil Action: 97-1219  
2<sup>nd</sup> Judicial Circuit Court  
Leon County, Florida

**OBJECTION FILING DEADLINE: August 31, 2007**

**THIS IS NOT A BILL.** The purpose of this Notice to Claimants is to inform you of the Receiver's report of its final recommendations to the Circuit Court concerning the classification and amount on a claim filed by you against the Receivership Estate of **Associated Business Owners SIF Inc.** A copy of the court order reflecting approval of these recommendations is enclosed.

The Receiver has evaluated Class 1 through Class 2 claims submitted in the estate of **Associated Business Owners SIF Inc.** and is recommending the amount on the line reading "Amount Recommended Claimant." The Receiver's "Class" or "Priority" of your claim will affect the amount you may receive. Florida Statute 631.271, "Priority of claims", defines the classification of claims. (See F.S. 631.271 on reverse side of this form.) **Please be advised that the assets in the Receivership estate of Associated Business Owners SIF Inc. are not sufficient to fund a distribution payment to all claimants. In fact, the Receiver does not anticipate a distribution to any claimants beyond Class 2.** No claims in Class 3 through Class 10 were evaluated. Therefore, if your class has been identified as Class 3 through Class 10, you will not see any amount on the line reading "Amount Recommended Claimant". Florida Statute 631.271, "Priority of claims", defines the classification of claims. (See F.S. 631.271 on reverse side of this form.)

Below is a brief description of the class of claims being reported to the Court:

- Class 1 Costs & expenses of the Receiver and state guaranty funds
- Class 2 Loss claims covered by the policy
- Class 3 Refund of unearned premium on non-assessable policies
- Class 4 Claims of the Federal Government
- Class 5 Claims of employees
- Class 6 Claims of general creditors
- Class 7 Claims of any state or local government
- Class 8 Claims filed late
- Class 9 Surplus or contribution notes & premium refunds on assessable policies
- Class 10 Claims of shareholders or other owners

**EXHIBIT C**

**If you agree with the amount recommended and the class/priority, no further action on your part is necessary.** If you object to the recommended amount or to the assigned class of your claim, **YOU MUST FILE YOUR WRITTEN OBJECTION WITH BOTH THE RECEIVER AND THE CLERK OF COURT, SECOND JUDICIAL CIRCUIT, LEON COUNTY COURT HOUSE, 301 S. MONROE STREET, TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32301.**

**YOUR OBJECTION MUST BE POSTMARKED BY AUGUST 31, 2007. IT IS SUGGESTED THAT YOU SEND YOUR OBJECTION BY CERTIFIED MAIL, RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED.**

The objection procedure is:

1. At the top of your statement, include the following information: The Civil Action Number noted above, your identification number noted above, and your correct address and telephone number. State in detail all legal and factual reasons for your objection.
2. Attach a copy of this notice and any documentation to support your objection. By order of the Court, all documentation must be filed with your objection.
3. Mail original to the Clerk of Court, a copy to the Receiver, and keep a copy for yourself.
4. If your objection cannot be resolved, a hearing will be scheduled before the Circuit Court, Leon County, Florida.

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES, RECEIVER**  
**Associated Business Owners SIF Inc., P.O. BOX 110**  
**TALLAHASSEE, FLORIDA 32302-0110**  
 Website: [www.floridainsurancereceiver.org](http://www.floridainsurancereceiver.org)  
 Telephone: **(800) 882-3054, (850) 413-4585, Facsimile: (850) 922-9115**

**FLORIDA DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL SERVICES  
RECEIVER**

**Associated Business Owners SIF, Inc.**

NOTE: Any distribution will be made on a pro-rata basis. If a distribution is made, you may not receive the full amount recommended for your claim. Depending on the assets available for distribution, you and other claimants in your classification may only receive a percentage of the amount recommended on your claim. (i.e. 25% equals 25 cents on the dollar.)

IF a distribution is made, the payee(s) name(s) on the claim check will be the same as the name(s) appearing on the front of this form. If the information on this form is incorrect, or becomes incorrect in the future, it is your responsibility to notify the Receiver and document any changes. Further instructions can be found on our website listed below.

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**FLORIDA STATUTE 631.271 Priority of Claims**

631.271 Priority of claims.—

(1) The priority of distribution of claims from the insurer's estate shall be in accordance with the order in which each class of claims is set forth in this subsection. Every claim in each class shall be paid in full or adequate funds shall be retained for such payment before the members of the next class may receive any payment. No subclasses may be established within any class. The order of distribution of claims shall be:

(a) Class 1.—

1. All of the receiver's costs and expenses of administration.

2. All of the expenses of a guaranty association or foreign guaranty association in handling claims.

(b) Class 2.— All claims under policies for losses incurred, including third-party claims, all claims against the insurer for liability for bodily injury or for injury to or destruction of tangible property which claims are not under policies, and all claims of a guaranty association or foreign guaranty association. All claims under life insurance and annuity policies, whether for death proceeds, annuity proceeds, or investment values, shall be treated as loss claims. That portion of any loss, indemnification for which is provided by other benefits or advantages recovered by the claimant, may not be included in this class, other than benefits or advantages recovered or recoverable in discharge of familial obligations of support or by way of succession at death or as proceeds of life insurance, or as gratuities. No payment by an employer to her or his employee may be treated as a gratuity.

(c) Class 3.—Claims under nonassessable policies for unearned premiums or premium refunds.

(d) Class 4.—Claims of the Federal Government.

(e) Class 5.—Debts due to employees for services performed, to the extent that the debts do not exceed \$2,000 for each employee and represent payment for services performed within 6 months before the filing of the petition for liquidation. Officers and directors are not entitled to the benefit of this priority. This priority is in lieu of any other similar priority that is authorized by law as to wages or compensation of employees.

(f) Class 6. —Claims of general creditors.

(g) Class 7.—Claims of any state or local government. Claims, including those of any state or local government for a penalty or forfeiture, shall be allowed in this class, but only to the extent of the pecuniary loss sustained from the act, transaction, or proceeding out of which the penalty or forfeiture arose, with reasonable and actual costs occasioned thereby. The remainder of such claims shall be postponed to the class of claims under paragraph (j).

(h) Class 8.—Claims filed after the time specified in F.S. 631.181(3), except when ordered otherwise by the court to prevent manifest injustice, or any claims other than claims under paragraph (i) or under paragraph (j).

(i) Class 9.—Surplus or contribution notes, or similar obligations, and premium refunds on assessable policies. Payments to members of domestic mutual insurance companies shall be limited in accordance with law.

(j) Class 10.—The claims of shareholders or other owners.

(2) In a liquidation proceeding involving one or more reciprocal states, the order of distribution of the domiciliary state shall control as to all claims of residents of this and reciprocal states. All claims of residents of reciprocal states shall be given equal priority of payment from the insurer's assets regardless of where such assets are located.

EXHIBIT C

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