STATE OF WASHINGTON **DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS SECURITIES DIVISION**

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Order Number S-04-049-04-CO01

CONSENT ORDER PROHIBITING PARTICIPATION IN THE ESCROW INDUSTRY, IMPOSING FINES AND VACATING ORDER NUMBER S-04-049-04-SC01

Pursuant to the Escrow Agent Registration Act, RCW 18.44, the Securities Division of the Department of Financial Institutions ("Securities Division") and Respondents, Fitts Escrow Company and Donald Emmett Fitts, do hereby enter into this CONSENT ORDER in settlement of the matters alleged herein. The Tentative Findings of Fact or Conclusions of Law set forth in Statement of Charges, Order Number S-04-049-04-SC01, are incorporated by reference into this Consent Order.

CONSENT ORDER

Based upon the foregoing:

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING

of the Escrow Agent Registration Act by:

Respondents

FITTS ESCROW COMPANY and DONALD

Whether there has been a violation

EMMETT FITTS

IT IS AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondents, Fitts Escrow Company and Donald Emmett Fitts, and their agents and employees each shall cease and desist from participating in the escrow industry or performing escrow activities for compensation in this state.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED that, in consideration of the settlement of this matter, Respondents, Fitts Escrow Company and Donald Emmett Fitts, shall each pay a fine of \$250 prior to the entry of this Order.

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CONSENT ORDER AND ORDER VACATING S-02-249-03TO01

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IT IS FURTHER AGREED AND ORDERED that Respondents, Fitts Escrow Company and Donald Emmett Fitts, shall each be subject to an additional fine of \$375. That fine shall be suspended, provided the Respondents shall each comply with the provisions of this Order. If this Order is violated, the additional fine shall become immediately due and payable.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that the Securities Division has jurisdiction to enter this Order.

IT IS FURTHER AGREED that in consideration of the foregoing, Respondents, Fitts Escrow Company and Donald Emmett Fitts, each withdraw their request for an adjudicative hearing and waive their rights to a hearing on this matter and to judicial review of this Order. In consideration of the foregoing, the Securities Division hereby vacates the Statement of Charges, Order Number S-04-049-04-SC01, except to the extent that the findings and conclusions in that Order have been incorporated herein. SIGNED this <u>23rd</u> day of <u>June</u>, 2004

Signed by:

Fitts Escrow Company

By_____///s////

Donald Emmett Fitts, President

Signed by:

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Donald Emmett Fitts, individually

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SIGNED and ENTERED this 12th day of July, 2004

MICHAEL E. STEVENSON
Securities Administrator

Presented by:

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Financial Legal Examiner