



APPROVED ATTORNEY APPLICATION

A. APPLICANT INFORMATION

Print Full Legal Name Below

1. _____
First Name Middle Initial Last Name

Law Firm Name

2. _____
Business Email Address Business Phone Number

3. _____
Street Address (Include City, State & ZIP) County

4. _____
Mailing Address If Different Than Street Address (Include City, State & ZIP) County

5. Bar Licenses (as applicable):

License Number / State License Number / State License Number / State License Number / State

6. Percentage of practice devoted to Real Estate:

7. Estimated Number of Settlement/Closings Per Month: _____ Number of title examinations conducted in a year: _____

8. Employment for the last 10 years as an Attorney:

Firm:	City/State:	From:	To:

9. List any experience related to title insurance, title examination, closings, etc. supporting your expertise in the industry.

10. Which First American agents will you be working with to issue title commitments and policies?

11. Have you ever been refused a license by any state, federal or municipal authority for any reason, or has any such license been suspended or revoked?
 No Yes

12. Have any disciplinary proceedings ever been initiated against you (regardless of the outcome) with the agency which regulates your current or previous professional license(s)?
 No Yes

13. Has any occupational, professional, or vocational license or permit you hold or have held, been subject to any judicial, administrative, regulatory, or disciplinary action?
 No Yes

14. Have you ever individually filed bankruptcy, and/or do you have any outstanding judgments, liens or payment delinquencies?
 No Yes

15. Has a business entity in which you were a principal, owner, stockholder, member, partner, director or officer (if a Corporation) ever filed bankruptcy and/or have any outstanding judgments, liens or payment delinquencies?
 No Yes
16. Have you ever been arrested, convicted of or pled no contest to any felony or misdemeanor other than minor traffic violations?
 No Yes
17. Are you an officer or employee of a financial institution, bank holding company, or an affiliate that accepts deposits and lends money?
 No Yes If "Yes" provide name and address in space provided below.
18. To the best of your knowledge, in your current or previous place of employment, have you been deemed responsible for any title or escrow claim or loss?
 No Yes
19. Has a suit for legal malpractice ever been brought against you?
 No Yes

NOTE: If you answered "Yes" to any question between 11 and 19, explain in the space provided below, or attach a separate explanation sheet. Be sure to reference the question number with each applicable response.

20. Do you or the law firm have an equity interest in any title agency?
 No Yes If "Yes" provide the name of the title agency:

Is agency underwritten by First American: No Yes

21. Do you have an ownership interest in or are you employed by an abstract company, title agency, real estate company, mortgage broker/lender, real estate developer, and/or builder?
 No Yes If "Yes", provide explanation:

22. Will you perform closings or handle escrow and/or disbursements?
 No Yes

23. Are you or will you become an authorized signatory on the escrow/trust, fiduciary, closing/settlement, IOTA or IOLTA account (hereinafter referred to as "escrow/trust") of the Firm?
 No Yes Currently a Signatory

B. ESCROW/TRUST ACCOUNTING INFORMATION

1. Is a separate ledger maintained on each escrow file?
 No Yes
2. Are file balances reconciled to bank balances on a monthly basis?
 No Yes If Yes, does the agency/firm use an Automated or Manual system?
3. Does the agency/firm maintain a "centralized" escrow accounting software system separate and distinct from the operating/general accounting system?
 No Yes
4. Do you perform the escrow account reconciliations in house?
 No If No, provide the name of the independent third party vendor: _____
 Yes If Yes, list all in house individuals who perform the escrow account reconciliation: _____

5. List all individual who are authorized to sign escrow/trust checks, initiate and/or approve wire transfers. **In addition to yourself**, those listed below will receive an email from *HireRight Customer Support* (customersupport@hireright.com) containing a link for submitting an authorization to run Consumer Reports. Complete this authorization request within 3 business days of receiving your email invitation.

Employee Name and Title	Business Email Address	Attorney
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>
		<input type="checkbox"/>

C. LICENSING INFORMATION

1. Which Jurisdiction/States are you requesting to be authorized as an Approved Attorney with First American?
 State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____
2. Do you currently hold a resident or non-resident title insurance license in any state(s)? No Yes
 If "Yes" provide the state(s) where the license(s) are held:
 State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____ State: _____

D. UNDERWRITER INFORMATION

1. List any underwriters with which you are authorized to do business:

2. Has your Approved Attorney relationship ever been terminated by an underwriter or removed from an underwriter's approved list?
 No Yes If "Yes", provide explanation:

3. Have you ever been denied as an Approved Attorney for any Underwriter?
 No Yes If "Yes", provide explanation:

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E. CERTIFICATION AND AGREEMENT

FIRM AUTHORIZATION

THE FOLLOWING MUST BE COMPLETED BY A MEMBER/PARTNER/SHAREHOLDER OF THE LAW FIRM IF THE APPROVED ATTORNEY APPLICANT IS AN ASSOCIATE WITH THE LAW FIRM.

- The firm hereby authorizes the above named applicant to certify title on behalf of the firm.
- The firm hereby authorizes the above named applicant as an escrow signatory of the firm.

Signature

Title

Print Name

Date

APPLICANT AUTHORIZATION

Upon approval of this application to be an Approved Attorney for First American, and in consideration of said approval, Approved Attorney hereby certifies, represents, and does agree to:

- Advise his client that Approved Attorney is representing his client in the procurement of a title commitment, title policy or endorsement; that Approved Attorney does not represent, nor is an agent for First American.
- Comply with all laws, rules and regulations of the federal, state or local governments or any bureau, department, division or agency thereof, including laws pertaining to licensing, and any rules or policies adopted by First American from time to time and distributed to Approved Attorney.
- Maintain professional liability insurance coverage with a company and in such amounts acceptable to First American.
- Indemnify and hold First American harmless, from any and all claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, damages, liabilities, or obligations arising by reason of any negligent or fraudulent acts, error or omission of Approved Attorney, in addition to loss occasioned by the failure to comply with the written instructions of a lender to whom a closing protection letter was issued by First American on Approved Attorney's behalf or any instruction provided by First American.
- Keep records of each transaction for a minimum of seven years or as required by law, including copies and drafts of any commitments, policies or endorsements issued by First American and correspondence, memoranda, settlement statements, lien letters, checks, and other documents contained therein or relating to any aspect of the transaction.
- At any reasonable time or times the Company may examine files, books and accounts, and other records of Approved Attorney related to liabilities of the Company and provided in the capacity as an approved attorney. Such right of examination continues after termination of this agreement.

I certify that I am making application for appointment by First American Title Insurance Company and/or First American Corporation, their divisions, subsidiaries, affiliates and successors (collectively, "FATIC") and that FATIC may, in its sole discretion, refuse to appoint or may terminate such appointment with or without cause.

I further understand that FATIC is relying upon the representations made in this Approved Attorney Application in its evaluation of the application with FATIC. I do hereby certify under penalty of perjury that the information supplied on this Approved Attorney Application is accurate, true and correct.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, THE PARTIES HERETO HAVE CAUSED THIS AGREEMENT TO BE EXECUTED AS OF THE EFFECTIVE DATE SHOWN BELOW.

First American Title Insurance Company

Attorney Applicant

By: _____

Print Name:
Its: Senior Vice President – Agency Division,

Print Name:

Effective Date:

(The Effective Date is the date this Agreement is executed by First American)

Include the following with the Approved Attorney Application:

- Full copy of current Errors & Omissions/Professional Liability Policy including Declaration Page
- Copy of RESA Confirmation of Registration – **Virginia Applicants Only**