

**CERTIFICATE OF ADOPTION OF RECORDS RETENTION, PRODUCTION AND COPYING  
POLICY  
OF  
KATY CREEK RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**

STATE OF TEXAS §  
COUNTY OF FORT BEND § KNOW ALL PERSONS BY THESE PRESENTS:

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors (the "Board") of Katy Creek Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation (the "Association") is charged with administering and enforcing those certain covenants, conditions, and restrictions encumbering the Katy Creek Ranch community (the "Community"); and

WHEREAS, Chapter 209 of the Texas Property Code was amended effective January 1, 2012, to add Section 209.005 thereto; and

WHEREAS, Section 209.005(n) of the Texas Property Code requires a property owners' association to retain certain documents for a prescribed period of time; and

WHEREAS, Section 209.005(m) of the Texas Property Code requires a property owners' association to adopt and comply with a document retention policy; and

WHEREAS, Section 209.005(i) of the Texas Property Code requires a property owners' association to adopt a records production and copying policy that prescribes the costs the association will charge for compilation, production and reproduction of information requested under Section 209 of the Texas Property Code; and

WHEREAS, the Board has determined that in connection with retaining, producing and copying records, it is appropriate for the Association to adopt a records retention, production and copying policy; and

WHEREAS, the Bylaws of the Association provide that a majority of the members of the Board shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business and that the action of a majority of the members of the Board at a meeting at which a quorum is present is the action of the Board; and

WHEREAS, the Board held a meeting on December 15, 2011 (the "Adoption Meeting"), at which at least a majority of the members of the Board were present and duly passed the records retention, production and copying policy described herein below (the "Records Retention, Production and Copying Policy").

NOW, THEREFORE, to give notice of the matters set forth herein, the undersigned, being the President of the Association, does hereby certify that at the Adoption Meeting, at least a majority of the members of the Board were present and the Board duly adopted the Records Retention, Production and Copying Policy set forth on Exhibit "A" hereto. The Records Retention, Production and Copying Policy is effective January 1, 2012, and supplements any restrictive covenants, guidelines or policies for records retention, production and copying which may have previously been in effect for the Community, unless such restrictive covenants, guidelines or policies are in conflict with the Records Retention, Production

and Copying Policy, in which case the terms in the Records Retention, Production and Copying Policy will control.

**EXECUTED** on the date of the acknowledgment set forth herein below, to be effective as set forth above.

**KATY CREEK RANCH HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, INC.**, a Texas non-profit corporation

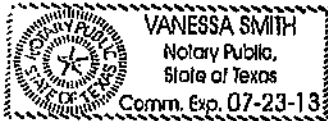
By: Jennie Trapolino  
Jennie Trapolino, President

THE STATE OF TEXAS

COUNTY OF FORT BEND

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This instrument was acknowledged before me on the 15 day of Dec., 2011 by Jennie Trapolino, President of the Katy Creek Ranch Homeowners Association, Inc., a Texas non-profit corporation, on behalf of said corporation.



Vanessa Smith  
Notary Public, State of Texas

**WHEN RECORDED, RETURN TO:**

Mark K. Knop  
Hoover Slovacek LLP  
5847 San Felipe, Suite 2200  
Houston, Texas 77057  
File No. 411112-61

## Exhibit "A"

### RECORDS RETENTION, PRODUCTION AND COPYING POLICY

#### Records Retention

**I. General Policy:** It is the policy of the Association to maintain a filing system appropriate for the daily use and long-term retention of Association's documents and records. The following list shall serve as a guideline and is not necessarily an exclusive list of all Association documents. Documents not listed below are not subject to retention. Upon expiration of the retention date, the applicable documents will be considered not maintained as a part of the Association books and records and are subject to destruction in a manner deemed appropriate by the Board.

**II. Permanent Records:** The Association will maintain the following records as permanent records of the Association:

- a. Certificate of Formation (or Articles of Incorporation) of the Association, and all amendments or supplements thereto;
- b. Bylaws of the Association and all amendments or supplements thereto; and
- c. Restrictive covenants, and all amendments or supplements thereto.

**III. Seven Years:** The Association will maintain the following documents for a period of at least seven years from the date the document was created:

- a. All financial books and records of the Association;
- b. Minutes of the meetings of the members of the Association and meetings of the Board of Directors of the Association; and
- c. The Association's tax returns and audit records.

**IV. Five Years:** The Association will maintain the account records of current owners for a period of at least five years from the date the document was created.

**V. Four Years:** The Association will maintain contracts with a term of one year or more for four years after the expiration of the contract term.

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#### Records Production and Copying

**I. Request for Books and Records:** Copies of the Association's books and records will be reasonably available to all Owner's or a person designated in a writing signed by the Owner as the Owner's agent, attorney, or certified public accountant ("Owner's Authorized Representative") upon proper request and at the Owner's expense. A proper request:

- a. Must be sent by certified mail to the Association or the Association's authorized representative at the address as reflected in the Association's most recent management certificate as recorded in the Official Public Records;
- b. Must be from an Owner or an Owner's Authorized Representative (herein, the Owner and the Owner's Authorized Representative being collectively called (the "Requestor");

- c. Must contain sufficient detail to identify the books and records of the Association being requested (herein the "Requested Records"); and
- d. Must designate whether the Requestor is requesting to inspect the Requested Records or requesting to have the Association forward copies of Requested Records to the Requestor.

**II. Association's Response:** The Association shall respond to the Requestor's request in writing.

a. **Request to Inspect:** Upon receipt of a proper request to inspect the Requested Records as outlined above, the Association will send written notice to the Requestor on or before ten (10) business days after the Association receives the proper request, and provide dates and times during normal business hours that the Requested Records will be made available for inspection by the Requestor (to the extent the Requested Records are in the possession, custody or control of the Association and are not otherwise privileged and therefore protected from inspection). The Association and the Requestor shall arrange for a mutually agreeable time to conduct the inspection. If copies of the Requested Records are made at the inspection, the Association shall provide the Requestor with copies upon receipt of the cost thereof as described below.

b. **Request for Copies:** If a request for copies of Requested Records is made, the Association shall send written notice to the Requestor on or before ten (10) business days after the Association receives the proper request advising the Requestor of the date that the Requested Records will be made available, and the cost that must be received by the Association before the Requested Records will be provided. Upon receiving payment for the Requested Records, the Association will produce the Requested Records to the Requestor by sending the Requested Records to the Requestor by regular U.S. Mail at the Requestor's address shown in the request, or upon written request, the Requestor may pick up the Requested Records from the Association's management company. The Association may provide the Requested Records in hard copy, electronic format, or other format reasonably available to the Association.

c. **Additional Time:** If upon review of a proper request to inspect or copy documents, the Association determines it cannot comply with the request within ten (10) business days after receipt of the request by the Association, the Association shall send the Requestor a written notice (within such ten (10) business day period) that informs the Requestor that the Association is unable to produce the Requested Records on or before the tenth (10<sup>th</sup>) business day after the Association received the request and that the Requested Records will be produced for inspection, or copied and mailed (subject to receipt of payment as set forth herein), as the case may be, on or before fifteen (15) business days from the date the notice is mailed to the Requestor.

**III. Costs:** The Association hereby adopts the schedule of costs set forth under Title 1, Section 70.3 of the Texas Administrative Code (1 T.A.C. 70.3).

**IV. Cost Reconciliation:** If the estimated cost provided to the Requestor is more or less than the actual cost of producing the Requested Records, the Association shall, within thirty (30) business days after producing the Requested Records, submit to the Requestor, either an invoice for additional amounts owed or a refund of the overages paid by the Requestor. If the final invoice includes additional amounts due from the Requestor, the additional amounts, if not reimbursed to the Association before the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) business day after the date the invoice is sent to the Requestor, may be added to the Owner's account as an assessment by the Association. If the estimated costs exceeded the final invoice amount, the Requestor is entitled to a refund, and the refund shall be issued to the Requestor not later than the thirtieth (30<sup>th</sup>) business day after the date the invoice is sent to the Requestor.