



## SERVICE ORGANIZATIONAL CONTROLS (SOC) CERTIFCIATION

Subject: <u>Pickford Escrow Company, Inc. and The Escrow Firm, Inc. obtain SSAE No. 18 SOC 1</u> & SOC 2 Certifications, The Highest ALTA Best Practices Certification Available and Required by Some Lenders

We are pleased to report that Pickford Escrow Company, Inc. and The Escrow Firm, Inc. have received, for a ninth consecutive year, SSAE No. 18 SOC 1 Type II and SOC 2 Type II certifications from Certified Public Accounting auditors, Baker Tilly US, LLP. These certification reports (the "Certification Reports") were issued following an ongoing extensive audit of the Pickford Escrow Company, Inc.'s and The Escrow Firm, Inc.'s systems. The audit continues to test compliance with all the American Land Title Association (ALTA) "Best Practices" as outlined in the auditors' 2002-2023 SSAE No. 16 SOC 1 Type II and SOC 2 Type II Reports (the "2023 Reports"). This Certification process was a costly and rigorous examination of all processes of Pickford Escrow Company, Inc. and The Escrow Firm, Inc. We proudly passed the audit for a ninth consecutive year. As a result, we have fully complied with all the requirements set forth in the 2023 Reports and ALTA Best Practices compliance requirements.

These audits are significantly comprehensive, and to date, they are the highest and most complete examinations of any escrow company in the country. As a result, these Certification Reports exceed hundreds of pages and describe the tedious procedures as well.

Pickford Escrow Company, Inc. and The Escrow Firm, Inc. are proud to have obtained this coveted Certification for the ninth year since its inception, and we are acutely aware that compliance today does not ensure future compliance. As such, we continue to employ a training program that will help us maintain vigilance in this regard. We will continue to strive for the highest standards and best practices with compliance by instituting an audit program to make certain our systems are running as designed and required to maintain the highest level of Certification.

If you have any questions or comments, please feel free to contact our President and General Counsel, Martha Mosier at Martha.Mosier@bhhscal.com.

We appreciate your business and look forward to providing you exceptional service and to being your provider of escrow services in the future.

Sincerely,

Martha Mosier

President

Pickford Escrow Company, Inc. and The Escrow Firm, Inc.