

EXHIBIT A

**UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT
MIDDLE DISTRICT OF ALABAMA, SOUTHERN DIVISION**

In Re:)	Case No: 11-12254-WRS-11
)	
SMALL LOANS, INC., et al.)	Chapter 11
)	
Debtors.)	Jointly Administered

**AFFIDAVIT AND DISCLOSURE STATEMENT OF W. GREGORY BEARD,
ON BEHALF OF BEARD & BEARD, LLC**

STATE OF LOUISIANA)
)
COUNTY OF RAPIDES)

W. Gregory Beard, being duly sworn, upon his oath, deposes and says:

1. I am a Member of Beard & Beard, LLC, located at the address of 1412 Centre Court, Suite 201, Alexandria, Louisiana 71301 (the "Firm").

2. On December 16, 2011, Small Loans, Inc., The Money Tree, Inc., The Money Tree of Louisiana, Inc., The Money Tree of Florida Inc., and The Money Tree of Georgia Inc. (collectively, the "Debtors") filed voluntary chapter 11 bankruptcy cases in this Court.

3. On April 30, 2012, S. Gregory Hays was appointed as chapter 11 bankruptcy trustee (the "Trustee") in the above-referenced chapter 11 cases and the Trustee has requested that the Firm provide attorney debt collection services. The Firm has consented to provide such services.

4. The Firm may have performed services in the past and may perform services in the future, in matters unrelated to these chapter 11 cases, for persons that are parties in interest in the Debtors' chapter 11 cases. As part of its customary practice, the Firm is retained in cases, proceedings, and transactions involving many different parties, some of whom may represent or be claimants or employees of the Debtors, or other parties in interest in these chapter 11 cases.

The Firm does not perform services for any such person in connection with these chapter 11 cases. In addition, the Firm does not have any relationship with any such person, their attorneys, or accountants that would be adverse to the Debtors or their estates.

5. Neither I, nor any principal of, or professional employed by the Firm has agreed to share or will share any portion of the compensation to be received from the Trustee with any other person other than the principals and regular employees of the Firm.

6. Neither I, nor any principal of, or professional employed by the Firm, insofar as I have been able to ascertain, holds or represents any interest adverse to the Debtors or their estates.

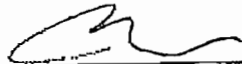
7. The Debtors owe the Firm \$250.00 for prepetition services (prepetition means before December 16, 2011).

8. The Firm is conducting further inquiries regarding its retention by any creditors of the Debtors, and upon conclusion of that inquiry, or at any time during the period of its employment, if the Firm should discover any facts bearing on the matters described herein, the Firm will supplement the information contained in this Affidavit.

By:


W. Gregory Beard

Subscribed and sworn to before me
this 18 day of June, 2012.


Notary Public

Ronald Glen Beard
La. Notary Public
LSBA #18783
Comm. expires at death

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March 31, 2012

MONEY TREE OF LOUISIANA-LAKE CHARLES
3204 Hwy. 14, Suite 10A
Lake Charles, LA 70601
FAX: (337)477-9453

INVOICE

FName	LName	Acct	Pymts	Atty Fee	Costs	Code
Courtney	Alfred	31600002184*	\$6362.72	\$1237.54		
Total:			\$6362.72	\$1237.54	\$0.00	

AMOUNT DUE: \$1237.54

*-As per your office

COURT COSTS CODE

L-Lawsuit, G-Garnish, SJ-Summary Jdmt

JD-Jdmt Debtor Exam, S-Seizure

R-Rule Hearing, A-Additional Costs Due

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November 15, 2011

MONEY TREE OF LOUISIANA-MANSURA (Pville)
160 Goldenrod Rd.
Mansura, LA 71350

INVOICE

FName	LName	Acct	Pymts	Atty Fee	Costs	Code
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Helen	Silas	32180002300		\$100.00	\$150.00	L
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Total:			\$0.00	\$100.00	\$150.00	

AMOUNT DUE: \$250.00

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RETENTION QUESTIONNAIRE

TO BE COMPLETED BY PROFESSIONALS EMPLOYED BY S. GREG HAYS,
CHAPTER 11 TRUSTEE,

**DO NOT FILE THIS QUESTIONNAIRE WITH THE COURT.
RETURN IT FOR FILING BY THE TRUSTEE. TO:**

Bradley R. Hightower
Christian & Small LLP
505 Twentieth Street North
Suite 1800
Birmingham, Alabama 35203
Phone (205) 795-6588
Fax (205) 328-7234
brh@csattorneys.com

All questions **must** be answered. Please use "none," "not applicable," or "N/A," as appropriate. If more space is needed, please complete on a separate page and attach.

1. Name and address of firm:

Beard & Beard, LLC
1412 Centre Court
Suite 201
Alexandria, Louisiana 71301
2. Date of retention: December 16, 2011
3. Type of services provided (accounting, legal, etc.):

Legal

4. Brief description of services to be provided:
Attorney debt collection services regarding debts owed to the Debtors by the Debtors' customers.

5. Arrangements for compensation (hourly, contingent, etc.)
Hourly and contingent (see attached Fee Schedule)

(a) Average hourly rate (if applicable):

Not Applicable

(b) Estimated average monthly compensation based on prepetition retention (if firm was employed prepetition):

6. Pre-petition claims against the Debtors held by the firm (pre-petition means before December 16, 2011):

Amount of claim: \$250.00

Date claim arose: 11/15/2011

Source of Claim: Atty fee and Court Costs for filing a lawsuit

7. Pre-petition claims against the Debtors held individually by any member, associate, or professional employee of the firm:

Name: _____

Status: _____

Amount of Claim: \$ _____

Date claim arose: _____

Source of claim: _____

8. Post-petition claims against the Debtors held by the firm (post-petition means on or after December 16, 2011 through the date that this form is signed):

Amount of claim: \$1237.54

Date claim arose: 3/31/2012

Source of Claim: Atty fees for Collection of Account.

9. Post-petition claims against the Debtors held individually by any member, associate, or professional employee of the firm:

Name: _____

Status: _____

Amount of Claim: \$ _____

Date claim arose: _____

Source of claim: _____

10. Stock of the Debtors currently held by the firm:

Kind of shares: _____

No. of shares: _____

11. Stock of the Debtors currently held individually by any member, associate, or professional employee of the firm:

Name: _____

Status: _____

Kind of shares: _____