**BIOGRAPHY OF Renard A. Hirsch, Sr.**

**Smith & Hirsch, PLC**

**Attorneys at Law**

3250 Dickerson Pike, Suite 121

Nashville, Tennessee 37207

(615) 242-5003

Renard A. Hirsch, Sr. is an attorney, licensed to practice law in the State of Tennessee since October 3, 1981, who primarily handles Commercial Litigation, Bankruptcy, Probate and Contracts. He maintained that license continuously 1981. He is licensed to practice in the Tennessee Supreme Court, Tennessee Court of Appeals, and the courts of Metropolitan Nashville and Davidson County, Tennessee. Also, he is licensed to practice in the United States Supreme Court, United States Court of Appeals for the Sixth Circuit, United States Tax Court, United States District Court and Bankruptcy Court for the Middle District of Tennessee. He is a MemberofSmith & Hirsch, PLC, Attorneys at Law in Nashville, Tennessee. He is married to Debbie C. Hirsch, and they have three adult children and four grandchildren. In his extra time, he serves as a speaker for various church, community, and civic organizations, and received numerous awards for his service and contributions to the Nashville community.

**Education:** He is a graduate of Tennessee State University where he received a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration, with a minor in Economics in August of 1974. He received the Doctor of Jurisprudence Degree from the YMCA Night Law School (now Nashville School of Law) in June of 1980; and a Banking Certificate from the American Institute of Banking in January of 1975.

**Tennessee Supreme Court Commission:** From September of 1994 through December of 1996, he chaired the Tennessee Supreme Court Commission on Racial and Ethnic Fairness. While in this capacity, the commission conducted public hearings in each of the three grand divisions of the State of Tennessee and reported the commission’s findings to the Tennessee Supreme Court.

**Teaching Profile:** In addition to the practice of law, he was the Commercial Transactions Instructor, (Articles 3 & 4, of the Uniform Commercial Code) at theNashville School of Law, from 1988 to 1995, and was the first African American Instructor at the law school. From October of 1985 to December of 1986, he served as a Contract Law Instructor at the Mid-South Institute for Paralegal Education, Inc. He also served as a Banking Instructor at Nashville State Technical Institute (now, Nashville State Community College) from 1981 to 1982.

**Affiliations:** A Fellow of the Nashville Bar Foundation, he is a member of the Nashville Bar Association, the Napier-Looby Bar Association (Life Member); Friendship Missionary Baptist Church; Fremont Lodge No. 270 F & A M; Tennessee State University National Alumni Association (Life Member); and the Agora Assembly.