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## **Southern Title Announces Promotion; Adds to Growing Title Production Operations Team**

(DAYTONA BEACH, FL – October 25, 2018) – Southern Title is expanding its title production team with a recent promotion and addition of a new search associate.

Jennifer Padgett has been promoted to Assistant Manager of Title Production Operations and Jacqueline McKinney has joined Southern Title as an Examiner.

Padgett began her career with Southern Title in 2002 as a title production clerk, advanced into the role of Examiner in 2005, and over the past 16 years has become proficient in field of property search and title examination. A Volusia County native, Padgett resides in Orange City and works in the Southern Title office on Deltona Blvd.

McKinney began her career in title policy production in 1985. She learned how to examine title as part of a 13 year stint with American Pioneer. Originally from Sanford, she currently resides in Mount Dora and works in the Southern Title office on US Highway 17-92 in Leesburg.

### **About Title Production**

While most people think of their title company as “those nice people who handle the closing,” the title agency’s most vital product is actually the title policy, which is produced after the title production team conducts a thorough search of the public records in order to find any liens, judgments, easements, unpaid mortgages, taxes, utility assessments and any other recorded document that could impact home ownership. Southern Title is one of the only independent title agencies in Florida with its own internal search department, which requires a team of highly trained, detail oriented sleuths who are passionate about the public record. This seven person team of dedicated professionals handles the search and examination from within Southern Title’s offices – so no customer title work, or non-public personal information, is outsourced overseas and it is all protected within the company’s extensive firewalls and secure servers.

Southern Title currently provides residential settlement and closing services from 11 offices in Florida with locations in Jacksonville, two locations in Palm Coast, Ormond Beach, two locations in Daytona Beach, Port Orange, Deltona, Kissimmee, Leesburg, and Wesley Chapel. In addition, the company operates a Commercial Division in Ormond Beach.

### **About Southern Title**

Southern Title is Volusia County’s leading independent title agency, providing peace of mind and protecting the property rights of buyers and sellers throughout Florida since 1995. Southern Title operates 11 offices and is staffed with a team of experienced professionals, including 10 Certified Land Closers and one Certified Land Searcher and 31 licensed title agents. For the past two years, Southern Title has been named “Best of the Best” for Volusia and Flagler counties by readers of the Daytona Beach News-Journal in its annual “Reader’s Choice” Awards.

Southern Title is proud to comply with the industry’s Best Practices, as stipulated by the American Land Title Association (ALTA) and has earned an ALTA Best Practices Pillar 3 Certificate of Completion from Security Compliance Associates (SCA).

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