Resolution of the Board of Directors of The Quaker Hill Community Association Adopting Association Complaint Procedures Resolution No. 2012-01

WHEREAS, Section 55-530 of the Code of Virginia and the Common Interest Community Ombudsman Regulations (the "Ombudsman Regulations") authorize community associations in Virginia to adopt a written process for resolving complaints from members and citizens (the "Association Complaint Procedures"); and

WHEREAS, the Board of Directors of The Quaker Hill Community Association desires to adopt procedures that are in compliance with these statutes and regulations;

IT IS THEREFORE HEREBY RESOLVED THAT the Board of Directors adopts the following Association Complaint Procedures:

1. <u>Initiation, Delivery and Acknowledgement</u>

- 1.1 To initiate action under these Association Complaint Procedures, an owner, resident or citizen must complete and submit the Association Complaint Form attached to these Procedures. The person initiating an Association Complaint is referred to in these procedures as the "Complainant."
- 1.2 The Association Complaint Form must be readily available and must be provided to any person upon request by mail to Timothy Kirchner, Property Manager, Northern Virginia Management, 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101, Annandale, VA 22003.
- 1.3 An Association Complaint must concern a matter regarding actions, inactions or decisions by the Board of Directors (the "Board"), the Association's managing agent or the Association that are alleged to be inconsistent with applicable laws and regulations governing common interest communities.
- 1.4 Initiation of a Complaint pursuant to the Association Complaint Procedures requires a complete Association Complaint Form. If the Association Complaint Form is incomplete, the Association may return it to the Complainant with a request stating what needs to be completed, and processing of the Association Complaint must not begin until a complete Association Complaint Form is received by the Association.
- 1.5 The Association Complaint Form must provide sufficient information to enable the Board to be able to make a determination on the issue(s) raised in the Association Complaint. To the extent the Complainant has knowledge of the laws, regulations or provisions applicable to the Association Complaint, the Complainant must provide those references. The Complainant must describe the action or resolution the Complainant is requesting.

1.6 The Complainant must deliver the Association Complaint Form to the person identified in the instructions in the Association Complaint Form, by the method described in the Association Complaint Form.

2. Acknowledgement

2.1 The Association must send the Complainant an acknowledgement of receipt of a completed Association Complaint Form within seven days after a completed form is received. Acknowledgment must be sent by certified mail, return receipt requested, hand delivery, written receipt required, or by electronic means if the Complainant has expressed a preference in writing (including email) to receive communications regarding the Association Complaint electronically. If sent electronically, the Association must retain sufficient proof of the electronic delivery.

3. Additional Information

3.1 If the Association determines that additional information is needed in order to be able to make a decision on the Association Complaint, it may request that information from the Complainant. The request may be made by any reasonable means deemed appropriate by the Association, including regular U. S. mail, hand delivery, written receipt required, or by electronic means if the Complainant has agreed in writing (including by email) to receive communications regarding the Association Complaint electronically. Complainant must respond to any such request to the best of Complainant's ability within a reasonable time after receiving such a request. If Complainant does not respond within thirty days, the Board may dispose of the Association Complaint based upon the information available to it.

4. Notice of Consideration of Association Complaint

- 4.1 When the Association has determined when the matter will be considered by the Board of Directors, notice must be given to the Complainant of the date, time and location that the Association Complaint will be considered by the Board. The notice must be hand delivered, written receipt required, or mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Complainant at the address provided, or must be given by electronic means if the Complainant has expressed a preference in writing (including by email) to receive communications regarding the Association Complaint electronically. If sent electronically, the Association must retain sufficient proof of the electronic delivery. The Association will make reasonable efforts to consider issues properly raised in the Association Complaint within 60 days of receiving all information it considers necessary to make a decision and in any event within 90 days after an Association Complaint is received.
- 4.2 If Complainant attends a meeting at which the Association Complaint is considered, the Board of Directors may give the Complainant an opportunity to briefly address the Board on the issue(s) raised in the Association Complaint, within reasonable time constraints to be determined by the Board.

5. Notice of Final Determination

- 5.1 Within seven days after the final determination is made on the Association Complaint, a written Notice of Final Determination must be hand delivered, written receipt required, or mailed by registered or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the Complainant, and sent to the Complainant by electronic means if the Complainant has expressed a preference in writing (including email) to receive communications regarding the Association Complaint electronically.
- 5.2 The Notice of Final Determination must be dated as of the date it is issued. It must include specific citations to applicable Association governing documents, laws, or regulations that led to the final determination, as well as the Virginia Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation (DPOR) registration number of the Association and the name and license number of the common interest community manager.
- 5.3 The Notice of Final Determination must include a statement of the Complainant's right to file a Notice of Final Adverse Decision with the Common Interest Community Board via the Common Interest Community Ombudsman and the applicable contact information.

6. No Appeal Procedure

6.1 No appeal to any Association party shall be available from the determination set forth in the Notice of Final Determination, and the decision set forth therein must be the final decision of the Association on the matter set forth in the Association Complaint.

7. Record Keeping

7.1 A record of each Association Complaint filed with the Association, including all documents, correspondence, and other materials related to a decision made pursuant to the Association Complaint Procedures, must be maintained for no less than one year after the Association acts on the Association Complaint.

8. <u>Distribution of Association Complaint Procedures</u>

- 8.1 The Association Complaint Procedures must be readily available to all members of the Association, residents and citizens upon request. Requests for copies of the Procedures and forms can be obtained by contacting Timothy Kirchner, Property Manager, Northern Virginia Management, 4306 Evergreen Lane, Suite 101, Annandale, VA 22003.
- 8.2 The Association Complaint Procedures must be included as an attachment to the Association resale certificate.

This Resolution shall be effective	, 2012.
ADOPTED	, 2012.
	BOARD OF DIRECTORS
	The Quaker Hill Community Association
	By:
	President
Attest:	
Secretary	

ASSOCIATION COMPLAINT FORM

Pursuant to Chapter 29 of Title 55 of the Code of Virginia, the Board of Directors ("Board") of The Quaker Hill Community Association ("Association") has established this Association Complaint Form for use by persons who wish to file written complaints with the Association regarding the action, inaction or decision by the Board, managing agent or Association inconsistent with applicable laws and regulations.

Jody Lee, Property Manager

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This form may be sent to the Association

By U. S. Mail to:

Manassas, VA 20110					
The telephone number of the Manager to whom this form is to be directed is 703-392-6006 x285					
Your Name:					
Your Mailing Address:					
If you are an owner in t			ess of the Association p	roperty owned:	
Your E-mail Address	Your Phone Number	Your Contact F			
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Complaint:	Manassas, VA 20110 e number of the Manager to whom this form is to be directed is 703-392-6006 x285				

Requested resolution:				
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If, after the Board's consideration and review of the Complaint, the Board issues a final decision adverse to the Complaint, you have the right to file a notice of final adverse decision with the Common Interest Community Board (CICB) in accordance with the regulations promulgated by the CICB. The notice must be filed within 30 days of the date of the final adverse decision, must be in writing on forms provided by the Office of the Common Interest Community Ombudsman (Ombudsman), must include copies of any supporting documents, correspondence and other materials related to the decision, and must be accompanied by a \$25 filing fee. The Ombudsman may be contacted at:

Office of the Common Interest Community Ombudsman Department of Professional and Occupational Regulation 9960 Mayland Drive, Suite 400 Richmond, VA 23233 804/367-2941 CICOmbudsman@dpor.virginia.gov