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August 12, 2002

BY FACSIMILE (202-942-9651)
AND OVERNIGHT DELIVERY

Jonathan G. Katz, Secretary
Securities and Exchange Commission
450 Fifth Street, N.W.
Washington, D.C. 20549

Re: SouthTrust Corporation (File No. 0-3613)
Sworn Statements of Principal Executive Officer and
Principal Financial Officer Pursuant to Commission Order No. 4-460

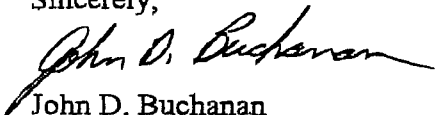
Dear Mr. Katz:

In accordance with the Order of the Securities and Exchange Commission requiring the filing of sworn statements pursuant to Section 21(a)(1) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 (File No. 4-460), enclosed is a sworn statement from each of Wallace D. Malone, President and Chief Executive Officer (principal executive officer) and Alton E. Yother, Executive Vice President, Treasurer and Controller (principal financial officer) of SouthTrust Corporation.

Please acknowledge receipt of this letter and the enclosed statements by stamping and returning the enclosed copy of this letter in the self-addressed envelope provided.

If you have any questions, please contact me at (205)254-5150.

Sincerely,



John D. Buchanan
Senior Vice President
Chief Legal Officer and Secretary

Enclosures

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Wallace D. Malone, Jr.
Chairman of the Board
Chief Executive Officer

Statement Under Oath of Principal Executive Officer Regarding Facts and Circumstances Relating to Exchange Act Filings

I, Wallace D. Malone, Jr., state and attest that:

(1) To the best of my knowledge, based upon a review of the covered reports of SouthTrust Corporation, and, except as corrected or supplemented in a subsequent covered report:

- no covered report contained an untrue statement of a material fact as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed); and
- no covered report omitted to state a material fact necessary to make the statements in the covered report, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading as of the end of the period covered by such report (or in the case of a report on Form 8-K or definitive proxy materials, as of the date on which it was filed).

(2) I have reviewed the contents of this statement with the Company's audit committee.

(3) In this statement under oath, each of the following, if filed on or before the date of this statement, is a "covered report":

- Annual Report on Form 10-K for the fiscal year ended December 31, 2001 of SouthTrust Corporation;
- all reports on Form 10-Q, all reports on Form 8-K and all definitive proxy materials of SouthTrust Corporation filed with the Commission subsequent to the filing of the Form 10-K identified above; and
- any amendments to any of the foregoing.

Wallace D. Malone, Jr.
August 12, 2002

Subscribed and sworn to
before me this 12th day of
August 2002.

Notary Public

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