BEFORE THE
STATE OF WISCONSIN
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
DIVISION OF SECURITIES

In the Matter of FIRST FINANCIAL HOLDINGS INCORPORATED,	ORDER OF PROHIBITION AND REVOCATION (SUMMARY)
Respondent.	File No. S-04012(EX)

Based upon the attached Petition for Order I have reason to believe that unregistered securities have been offered or sold in Wisconsin by an unlicensed person in violation of Ch. 551, Wis. Stats., and that any further offer or sale of unregistered securities by or on behalf of the Respondent would be fraudulent to purchasers, and I find that this action is necessary and appropriate in the public interest and for the protection of investors;

Therefore, pursuant to secs. 551.24(2), 551.60(2)(a) and (b) and 551.63, Wis. Stats.,

IT IS ORDERED THAT:

a. First Financial Holdings Incorporated, its successors, affiliates, controlling persons, officers, agents, servants, employees, and every entity and person directly or indirectly controlled or organized by or on its behalf, are prohibited from making or causing to be made to any person or entity in Wisconsin any further offers or sales of securities unless and until such securities qualify as covered securities or are registered under Ch. 551, Wis. Stats., or successor statute.

b. All exemptions from registration set forth at Ch. 551, Wis. Stats., or successor statute, that might otherwise apply to any offer or sale of any security of or by First Financial Holdings Incorporated, its successors, affiliates, controlling persons, and every entity and person directly or indirectly controlled or organized by or on its behalf, are hereby revoked.

c. First Financial Holdings Incorporated, its successors, affiliates, controlling persons, officers, agents, servants, employees, and every entity and person directly or indirectly controlled or hereafter organized by or on its behalf, are prohibited from employing an agent to represent it in Wisconsin unless the agent is licensed under Ch. 551, Wis. Stats., or successor statute, or excepted from the licensing requirement.

EXECUTED at Madison, Wisconsin, this 4th day of February, 2004.

(SEAL)

Patricia D. Struck
Administrator
Division of Securities

NOTICE:

Under sec. 551.61(2), Wis. Stats., within thirty (30) days after any Order has become effective without a hearing, any interested party may file a written request with the Administrator of the Division of Securities for a hearing in respect to any matters determined by the Order. A request for hearing shall be in the form of a petition for hearing and shall, under section SEC 8.01, Wis. Adm. Code, plainly admit or deny each specific allegation, finding, or conclusion in the Order and incorporated papers (unless the petitioner lacks sufficient knowledge or information to permit an admission or denial, in which case the petition shall so state, and such statement shall have the effect of a denial), and shall state all affirmative defenses.

You are advised that any willful violation of an Order issued by the Administrator of the Division of Securities of the State of Wisconsin Department of Financial Institutions under Ch. 551, Wis. Stats., is a criminal offense punishable under the provisions of sec. 551.58, Wis. Stats.