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**FIRST AMERICAN MORTGAGE INFORMATION SERVICES GROUP
AWARDED BEST REGIONAL CORPORATE DIVERSITY
PROGRAM BY THE MORTGAGE BANKERS ASSOCIATION
—Group President Barry Sando Named MBA Diversity Champion of the Year—**

SANTA ANA, Calif., Oct. 21, 2007 – **The First American Corporation (NYSE:FAF)**, America’s largest provider of business information, today announced that its Mortgage Information Services Group’s diversity program has been selected as the Mortgage Bankers Association’s (MBA) 2007 Best Overall Regional Corporate Diversity Program. In addition, division President Barry Sando has been selected as the MBA’s 2007 Diversity Champion of the Year.

Each year MBA recognizes the efforts of real estate finance companies and executives that have successfully incorporated diversity initiatives into their everyday business practices. The awards recognize companies and industry professionals that facilitate, advocate, and promote diversity within their industries, their companies and their communities.

“I am proud to accept the diversity champion of the year award and also the regional diversity award on behalf of First American and all of its employees who have embraced the unique assets that each employee offers,” said Sando. “We will continue to expand upon our diversity initiatives to best serve our employees, our company and our customers. It’s an honor to have our dedication to diversity in the workplace recognized by the MBA.”

Award selection is based on the development or launch of diversity initiatives, specific obstacles and challenges that were overcome and outstanding accomplishments or innovative projects completed during the past year.

First American has initiated numerous diversity programs over the past 2 years including summer internships for college students, a mentoring program for employees, an Employee Volunteer Grant program that recognizes employee contribution of time and talent to non-profit organizations of their choosing, cross-cultural employee business councils that meet regularly to discuss and take action on internal diversity issues.

“The vibrant and open interaction of backgrounds, ideas and personalities has long been a driving force within our family of companies and helps to define who we are as a corporate entity,” said Dennis Gilmore, chief operating officer of The First American Corporation. “We are a global

company and throughout First American we not only promote, but rely on the diversity within our corporate culture for business innovation and the personal growth of our employees.”

The diversity awards were presented to Sando and First American during the MBA’s national conference on October 15th.

About First American

The First American Corporation (NYSE: FAF), a FORTUNE 500® company that traces its history to 1889, is America’s largest provider of business information. First American combines advanced analytics with its vast data resources to supply businesses and consumers with valuable information products to support the major economic events of people’s lives, such as getting a job, renting an apartment, buying a car or house, securing a mortgage and opening or buying a business. The First American Family of Companies, many of which command leading market share positions in their respective industries, operate within five primary business segments, including: Title Insurance and Services, Specialty Insurance, Mortgage Information, Property Information and First Advantage. With revenues of \$8.5 billion in 2006, First American has approximately 2,100 offices throughout the United States and abroad. More information about the company and an archive of its press releases can be found at www.firstam.com.

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