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Securities and Exchange Commission Division of Corporation Finance 100 F Street, N.E. Washington, D.C. 20549

Re:

Arbor Trust Realty, Inc. Registration Statement on Form S-4 (File No. 333-224251) Acceleration Request

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Pursuant to Rule 461 under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, Arbor Realty Trust, Inc. (the "<u>Registrant</u>") hereby respectfully requests acceleration of effectiveness of the above referenced Registration Statement so that it will become effective at 9:00 a.m. EST on June 4, 2018, or as soon as thereafter practicable.

We request that we be notified of such effectiveness by a telephone call to David J. Goldschmidt, Esq. of Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP, the Registrant's counsel, at (212) 735-3574, and that such effectiveness also be confirmed in writing.

Very truly yours,

ARBOR REALTY TRUST, INC.

By: /s/ Paul Elenio

Name: Paul Elenio Title: Chief Financial Officer

cc: Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP

May 31, 2018