STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Financial Institutions Consumer Finance

In the matter of:) Case No. M2006-9992851
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ANTHONY E. WELLS) <u>DIVISION ORDER</u>
405 Burman Avenue) Denial of Loan Officer License Application
Trotwood, Ohio 45426	&
) Notice of Appellate Rights
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Respondent, Anthony E. Wells ("Respondent), submitted a loan officer license application to the Division of Financial Institutions ("Division") on March 2, 2006. On August 3, 2006, the Division notified Respondent that it intended to deny his loan officer license application ("Application") because: (1) in or around 2004, Respondent was convicted of Attempted Domestic Violence; (2) in or around 2005, Respondent was convicted of four counts of Nonsupport of Dependents; (3) Respondent violated R.C. 1322.07(A) by substantially misrepresenting his prior criminal record in response to a question on the Application; (4) Respondent violated R.C. 1322.07(B) by making a false statement of a material fact and by omitting a statement required on the licensing application; (5) Respondent violated R.C. 1322.07(C), by engaging in improper or dishonest conduct; (6) pursuant to R.C. 1322.031(A)(2) and 1322.041(A)(3), Respondent has not proven that he is honest, truthful, and of good reputation, and there is no basis in fact for believing that he will not commit another criminal offense involving theft or any criminal offense involving money or securities; and (7) because Respondent's character and general fitness do not command the confidence of the public and warrant the belief that the business will be operated honestly and fairly in compliance with the purposes of R.C. 1322.01 to 1322.12 – the Ohio Mortgage Broker Act.

Respondent requested an administrative hearing, which was held on September 27, 2006.

Respondent failed to appear. A Report and Recommendation was filed with the Division on

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October 10, 2006, recommending that the Division deny Respondent's Application. No objections were filed.

In accordance with R.C. 119.09, the Division has considered the record, consisting of the Report and Recommendation, the transcript of testimony and exhibits, as well as all applicable laws. (The Hearing Examiner's Report and Recommendation is attached hereto.) Following its review of the record, the Division hereby adopts the hearing officer's recommendation and denies the Application of Anthony E. Wells.

It is so ordered.

NOTICE OF APPELLATE RIGHTS

Respondent is hereby notified that pursuant to R.C. 119.12, this Order may be appealed by filing a notice of appeal with the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions setting forth the order appealed from and the grounds for the appeal. A copy of such notice of appeal, pursuant to R.C. 119.12, must also be filed with the court of common pleas of the county in which the place of business of the Respondent is located, or the county in which the Respondent is a resident. A notice of appeal must be filed within fifteen (15) days after the date of mailing of this Order.

Signed and sealed this 12th day of February 2007.

RICHARD F. KECK

Acting Deputy Superintendent for Consumer Finance Division of Financial Institutions Ohio Department of Commerce