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

In the matter of:) Case No. 04-0051-LOR
)
ERIC S. STEIGER) Notice of Intent to Revoke Loan Officer License
250 Decatur) &
Toledo, Ohio 43609) Notice of Opportunity for a Hearing
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JURISDICTION

The Ohio Department of Commerce, by and through the Superintendent of the Division of Financial Institutions ("Division"), is charged with the responsibility of administering and enforcing the Ohio Mortgage Broker Act, codified in Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") Chapter 1322, and the rules adopted thereunder.

RESPONDENT

ERIC S. STEIGER ("Respondent") was issued a loan officer license by the Division. Said license has been placed in escrow. His address of record is 250 Decatur, Toledo, Ohio 43609, and his date of birth is December 5, 1972. Respondent's former employer of record is Carteret Mortgage Corporation, 6211 Centerville Road, Suite 800, Centerville, Virginia 20121.

NOTICE OF PROPOSED ACTION

In accordance with R.C. 1322.10(A)(1)(a), and pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119, the Division intends to REVOKE Respondent's loan officer license.

BASIS FOR PROPOSED ACTION

- A. The Division is authorized by R.C. 1322.10(A)(1)(a) to revoke an applicant's loan officer license if the Division finds that the licensee has violated "or fail[ed] to comply with any provision of sections 1322.01 to 1322.12 of the Revised Code or the rules adopted under those sections or any other law applicable to the business conducted[.]"
- B. R.C. 1322.052 requires every licensed loan officer to complete at least six (6) hours of approved continuing education ("CE") every calendar year (by December 31st).
- C. Because 2002 was the first year in which the law imposed CE requirements on loan officers, the Division extended Respondent's deadline to March 14, 2003, to comply with the 2002 CE requirements.
- D. Despite the extension of time granted to comply with the CE requirements, Respondent failed to complete the required 6 hours of CE credit by the extended deadline.
- E. Because Respondent failed to comply with R.C. 1322.052, the Division has the authority to revoke Respondent's loan officer license.

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY FOR A HEARING ON PROPOSED ACTION

Therefore, pursuant to R.C. Chapters 1322 and 119, Respondent is hereby notified that thirty-one (31) days from the date of the mailing of this Notice, the Superintendent intends to issue an order revoking Respondent's loan officer license.

Respondent is further notified, pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119, that Respondent is entitled to a hearing on this matter. If Respondent desires to request a hearing, the request must be made in writing, and must be received in the offices of the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions within thirty (30) days of the time of the mailing of this Notice. Hearing requests should be addressed: Ohio Division of Financial Institutions, Attn: Mark L. Rhea—Consumer Finance Staff Attorney, 77 South High Street, 21st Floor, Columbus, Ohio 43215-6120.

At the hearing, Respondent may appear in person, by Respondent's attorney, or by such other representative as is permitted to practice before the Agency, or Respondent may present its position, arguments, or contentions in writing, and, at the hearing, may present evidence and examine witnesses appearing for and against Respondent.

If the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions does not receive a written request for a hearing in its offices within thirty (30) days of the time of the mailing of this Notice, the Superintendent will issue an order revoking Respondent's loan officer license.

Signed and sealed this 1st day of April, 2004.

ROBERT M. GRIESER

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

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