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

In the matter of:	) Case No. M2006-9992837
WILLIAM R. STOCKTON	) <u>DIVISION ORDER</u>
4447 Folkestone Court South	) Denial of Loan Officer License Application
Columbus, OH 43220	) &
	) Notice of Appellate Rights
	)

Respondent, William R. Stockton ("Respondent), submitted a loan officer license application to the Division of Financial Institutions ("Division") on April 28, 2006. On July 27, 2006, the Division notified Respondent that it intended to deny his loan officer license application ("Application") because: (1) in or around 1999, in the Franklin County, Ohio, Municipal Court, Respondent was convicted of Passing Bad Checks; (2) in or around 1976, in the Fairfield County, Ohio, Court of Common Pleas, Respondent was convicted of Attempted Breaking and Entering; (3) Respondent violated R.C. 1322.07(A) by failing to disclose a conviction on his 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 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 passing bad checks 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 20, 2006.

A Report and Recommendation ("Report") was filed with the Division on November 1, 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 Report is attached hereto.) Following its review of the record, the Division hereby adopts the hearing officer's recommendation and denies the loan officer license application of William R. Stockton.

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 1<sup>st</sup> day of December 2006.

ROBERT M. GRIESER

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