STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE Division of Financial Institutions

Consumer Finance

In the matter of:) Case No. 06-0080-LOD
)
RODNEY P. MORTER) DIVISION ORDER
6909 Germantown Park) Denial of Loan Officer License Application
Miamisburg, OH 45342	&
	Notice of Appellate Rights

WHEREAS, 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, as amended by Ohio Senate Bill 76 and codified in Ohio Revised Code ("R.C.") Chapter 1322, the Division finds that this order is necessary and appropriate, in the interest of the public, and is consistent with the purposes of the Ohio Mortgage Broker Act; and

WHEREAS, the Division issued Rodney P. Morter ("Respondent") a loan officer license on August 19, 2002;

WHEREAS, Respondent's loan officer license expired on April 30, 2004, Respondent filed a new loan officer license application on July 20, 2005 which remains pending; and

WHEREAS, on January 19, 2006, the Division issued Respondent a Notice which informed him that the Division had conducted an investigation of Respondent and, as a result thereof, alleged that:

- 1. Respondent failed to comply with R.C. 1322.052 by not completing at least six hours of continuing education during the 2003 calendar year.
- 2. Because Respondent failed to comply with R.C. 1322.052, the Division is authorized under R.C. 1322.10(A)(1)(a) to refuse to issue a loan officer license.

WHEREAS, the Notice informed Respondent of the Division's intent to deny Respondent's loan officer license application and of the opportunity for a hearing regarding the denial if requested within thirty days from the mailing of the Notice. The Notice further cautioned Respondent that "[i]f the Ohio Division of Financial Institutions d[id] not receive a written request for a hearing in its offices within thirty (30) days of the time of the mailing of th[e] Notice, the Superintendent w[ould] issue an order denying Respondent a loan officer license[;]"

WHEREAS, the Division was unable to obtain service upon Respondent at the address Respondent provided, the Division published the Notice in accordance with R.C. Chapter 119 in the Dayton Daily News for three (3) consecutive weeks;

WHEREAS, Respondent failed to request a hearing and thereby failed to defend against the Division's allegations;

WHEREAS, the Division finds that the allegations contained in the Notice are true and that Respondent should be denied a license to act as a loan officer;

Respondent, Rodney P. Morter, is hereby denied a loan officer license.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

Respondent is hereby notified that this Order may be appealed, pursuant to R.C. 119.12, 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 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 7th day of September 2006.

ROBERT M. GRIESER

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