

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

In the matter of:)	Case No. 04-0235-LOD
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JAMES K. WHARTON)	<u>DIVISION ORDER</u>
6479 Rivers Edge Drive)	
Lewis Center, Ohio 43035)	Loan Officer License Application Granted
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DIVISION ORDER

On April 12, 2002, James K. Wharton ("Respondent") submitted a loan officer license application to the Division of Financial Institutions ("Division"). On January 23, 2004, the Division issued Respondent a notice of the Division's intent to deny Respondent's application, and notified Respondent of his right to a hearing on the matter. Respondent requested a hearing, and pursuant thereto, an administrative hearing was held in accordance with Ohio Revised Code Chapter 119 on August 2, 2004.

The hearing officer filed his written report and recommendation with the Division on October 29, 2004, recommending that the Division grant Respondent's application. A copy of the report and recommendation and a letter explaining Respondent's right to submit written objections to the report was served on Respondent and Respondent's attorney. Respondent did not file objections.

Upon consideration of the hearing officer's report and recommendation, the Division confirms and approves the recommendation. Accordingly, Respondent's application for a loan officer license is hereby granted.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL

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 must, 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 2nd day of June 2005.

ROBERT M. GRIESER
Deputy Superintendent for Consumer Finance
Division of Financial Institutions
Ohio Department of Commerce