Kimberly A. Zurz Director

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

In the matter of:) Case No. M2008-481
LAMONT T. BARBER	DIVISION ORDER
1789 Drayton Park Court) Denial of Loan Officer License Renewal Application
Columbus, OH 43212	&
) Notice of Appellate Rights

Respondent, Lamont T. Barber ("Respondent"), submitted an application ("Application") to the Division to renew his loan officer license, which expired on April 30, 2008. On March 26, 2009, the Division notified Respondent that it intended to deny his Application because on or about January 18, 2008 Respondent was convicted of aggravated possession of drugs, a felony of the third degree in the Court of Common Pleas, Franklin County, Ohio.

Respondent requested an administrative hearing, which was held on July 1, 2009. Respondent appeared and was represented by counsel. A Report and Recommendation ("Report") was filed with the Division on July 22, 2009, recommending that the Division deny Respondent's Application. Respondent filed objections on August 3, 2009.

In accordance with R.C. 119.09, the Division has considered the record, consisting of the Report, the transcript of testimony, exhibits and objections, as well as all applicable laws. (A copy of the Report is attached hereto). Following its review of the record, the Division hereby adopts the hearing officer's recommendation. Therefore, the Division denies the loan officer license application of Lamont T. Barber.

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 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 10th day of August, 2009.

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