COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY PUBLIC PROTECTION CABINET DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS AGENCY CASE NO. 2012-AH-0041



DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

COMPLAINANT

VS.

FREEDOM MORTGAGE CORPORATION

RESPONDENT

AGREED FINAL ORDER

- 1. The Department of Financial Institutions ("DFI") is responsible for regulating and licensing mortgage loan brokers, mortgage loan companies, mortgage loan originators, and mortgage loan processors in accordance with the provisions set forth in KRS Chapter 286.8.
- 2. Freedom Mortgage Corporation ("Respondent") is authorized to do business in Kentucky as a mortgage loan company (MC23872) pursuant to KRS Chapter 286.8, with its principle office located at 907 Pleasant Valley Avenue, Suite 3, Mt. Laurel, NJ, 08054.
- 3. During a routine examination, DFI cited Respondent for utilizing an unregistered loan originator and unlicensed mortgage broker, in violation of KRS 286.8-030, which prohibits a mortgage loan company from employing or using unregistered loan originators and unlicensed loan brokers.
- 4. The Department possesses a range of administrative authority in addressing violations of the Act, including license revocation or denial, the imposition of fines in an amount up to \$25,000 per violation. *See* KRS 286.8-046; 286.8-090.

- 5. Respondent does not admit to the violations of KRS 286.8-030, and is entering into this Agreed Order in lieu of proceeding with a formal hearing on the issues that comprise this matter.
- 6. In the interest of economically and efficiently resolving the violation(s) described herein, DFI and Respondent agree as follows:
 - a. Respondent agrees to and shall pay the total settlement amount of two thousand five hundred twenty dollars (\$2,500), which shall be in the form of a certified check or money order made payable to "Kentucky State Treasurer" and mailed to the Department of Financial Institutions, Attn: Shaun T. Orme, 1025 Capital Center Drive, Suite 200, Frankfort, Kentucky 40601;
 - b. Respondent shall devote the time and resources necessary to ensure continual and full compliance with all statutory requirements set forth in KRS Chapter 286.8 and the regulations set forth in 808 KAR Chapter 12.
- 7. Respondent waives its right to demand a hearing at which it would be entitled to legal representation, to confront and cross examine witnesses, and to present evidence on its own behalf, or to otherwise appeal or set aside this Order.
- 8. Respondent consents to and acknowledges the jurisdiction of DFI over this matter and that this Agreed Order is a matter of public record and may be disseminated as such.
- 9. In consideration of execution of this Agreed Order, Respondent for itself, and for its successors and assigns, hereby releases and forever discharges the Commonwealth of Kentucky, DFI, Office of Legal Services, and each of their members, agents, and employees in their individual capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims and demands whatsoever, known and unknown, in law or equity,

that Respondent ever had, now has, may have or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities named in this paragraph arising out of or by reason of this investigation, this disciplinary action, this settlement or its administration.

10. By signing below, the parties acknowledge they have read the foregoing Agreed Order, know and fully understand its contents, and that they are authorized to enter into and execute this Agreed Order and legally bind their respective parties.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this the 25th day of MACL

Consented to:

This 26 day of Maccy, 2012.

This 21st day of May 4, 2012.

Norman C. Thompson, Acting Director Division of Non-Depository Institutions Department of Financial Institutions

Stanley Mideleman, President and Chief Executive Officer Freedom Mortgage Corporation

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On this the 215 day of 12012, before me 2000 the undersigned, Stanley Middleman, did personally appear and acknowledge himself to be the authorized representative of Freedom Mortgage Corporation, and that he, being authorized to do so, entered into and executed the foregoing instrument for the purposes therein contained.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand.

My Commission Expires:

ELAINE DELGADO MY NOTARY EXPIRES FEBRUARY 11, 2014

Notary Public

Certificate of Service

of Max., 2012, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to the following:

Cynthia Berman, Esq. Vice President, Regulatory Compliance Freedom Mortgage Corporation 907 Pleasant Valley Ave., Ste. 3 Mt. Laurel, NJ 08054

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Department of Financial Institutions