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# STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING Whether there has been a violation of the Consumer Loan Act of Washington by:

OCEAN WEST ENTERPRISES, INC., d/b/a OCEAN WEST FUNDING, and MARSHALL STEWART, President and Owner, and DARYL MEDDINGS, Executive Vice President and Owner,

Respondents.

NO. C-05-175-09-FO01

FINAL ORDER

## I. DIRECTOR'S CONSIDERATION

A. Default. This matter has come before the Director of the Department of
Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Director), through his designee, Consumer Services
Division Director Deborah Bortner, pursuant to RCW 34.05.440(1). On February 6, 2006, the
Director, through former Consumer Services Division Director Chuck Cross, entered a Statement of
Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Revoke License, Impose Fine, and Collect
Investigation Fee (Statement of Charges). A copy of the Statement of Charges is attached and
incorporated into this order by this reference. The Statement of Charges was accompanied by a cover
letter dated February 6, 2006, a Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and
blank Applications for Adjudicative Hearing for Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West
Funding; Marshall Stewart; and Daryl Meddings. The Department served the Statement of Charges,
cover letter dated February 6, 2006, Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and
blank Applications for Adjudicative Hearing for Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West
Funding; Marshall Stewart; and Daryl Meddings on Respondents on February 6, 2006, by First-Class

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mail and Federal Express overnight delivery. On February 6, 2006, the documents sent via Federal Express overnight delivery were delivered. The documents sent via First-Class mail were not returned to the Department by the United States Postal Service.

On November 16, 2006, the Department entered into Consent Orders with Respondents

Stewart and Meddings resolving the Statement of Charges with respect to those Respondents. In or around 2004, Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding, was sold to Consumer Direct of America. Consumer Direct of America is now known as Shearson Financial Network, Inc. Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Ocean West Funding was administratively dissolved.

The Department again served the Statement of Charges, cover letter dated February 6, 2006, Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and blank Applications for Adjudicative Hearing for Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding; Marshall Stewart; and Daryl Meddings on Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding on June 23, 2009, by First-Class mail and Federal Express overnight delivery to Harry Kraatz, the Chairman and Chief Executive Officer of Shearson Financial Network, Inc., the parent company of Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Ocean West Funding. On June 24, 2009, the documents sent via Federal Express overnight delivery were delivered. The documents sent via First-Class mail were not returned to the Department by the United States Postal Service.

Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Ocean West Funding did not request an adjudicative hearing within twenty calendar days after the Department served it with the Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, as provided for in WAC 208-08-050(2).

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2	B. <u>Record Presented</u> . The record presented to the Director's designee for her review and		
3	for entry of a final decision included the following:		
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5	1. Statement of Charges;		
6	2. Cover letter dated February 6, 2006;		
7	3. Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing; and		
8	4. Blank Applications for Adjudicative Hearing for Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding; Marshall Stewart; and Daryl Meddings, with documentation of service.		
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11	C. <u>Factual Findings and Grounds For Order</u> . Pursuant to RCW 34.05.440(1), the		
12	Director's designee hereby adopts the Statement of Charges, which is attached hereto.		
13	II. <u>FINAL ORDER</u>		
14	Based upon the foregoing, and the Director's designee having considered the record and		
15	being otherwise fully advised, NOW, THEREFORE:		
16	A. <u>IT IS HEREBY ORDERED</u> , That:		
17 18	<ol> <li>Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding's license to conduct the business of a Consumer Lender is revoked;</li> </ol>		
19	<ol> <li>Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding pay a fine of \$3,750;</li> </ol>		
21	3. Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding pay an investigation fee of \$224.28; and		
22	4. Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding maintain records in compliance with the Act and provide the Director with the location of the books records and other information relating to Respondent Ocean West Enterprises,		
24	Inc., d/b/a Ocean West Funding's consumer loan company business, and the name, address and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.		
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В. Reconsideration. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Ocean West Funding has the right to file a Petition for Reconsideration stating the specific grounds upon which relief is requested. The Petition must be filed in the Office of the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions by courier at 150 Israel Road SW, Tumwater, Washington 98501, or by U.S. Mail at P.O. Box 41200, Olympia, Washington 98504-1200, within ten (10) days of service of the Final Order upon Respondents. The Petition for Reconsideration shall not stay the effectiveness of this order nor is a Petition for Reconsideration a prerequisite for seeking judicial review in this matter.

A timely Petition for Reconsideration is deemed denied if, within twenty (20) days from the date the petition is filed, the agency does not (a) dispose of the petition or (b) serve the parties with a written notice specifying the date by which it will act on a petition.

- C. The Director's designee has determined not to consider a Petition Stay of Order. to Stay the effectiveness of this order. Any such requests should be made in connection with a Petition for Judicial Review made under chapter 34.05 RCW and RCW 34.05.550.
- D. Judicial Review. Respondent Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. d/b/a Ocean West Funding has the right to petition the superior court for judicial review of this agency action under the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW. For the requirements for filing a Petition for Judicial Review, see RCW 34.05.510 and sections following.
- E. Non-compliance with Order. If you do not comply with the terms of this order, the Department may seek its enforcement by the Office of Attorney General to include the collection of the fines, fees and restitution imposed herein.

F. <u>Service.</u> For purposes of filing a Petition for Reconsideration or a Petition for Judicial Review, service is effective upon deposit of this order in the U.S. mail, declaration of service attached hereto.

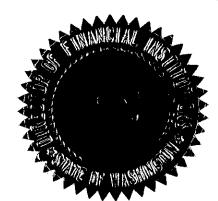
DATED this 10 day of depterly, 2009

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

DEBORAH BORTNER

**DIRECTOR** 

DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES



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4	IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING Whether there has been a violation of the Consumer Loan Act of Washington by:	NO. C-05-175-06-SC01		
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6 7	OCEAN WEST ENTERPRISES, INC., dba OCEAN WEST FUNDING, and MARSHALL STEWART, President and Owner, and DARYL MEDDINGS, Executive Vice President and Owner,	STATEMENT OF CHARGES and NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE LICENSE, IMPOSE FINE, AND COLLECT INVESTIGATION FEE		
8	Respondents.			
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11	INTRODUCTION			
	Pursuant to RCW 31.04.093 and RCW 31.04.165, the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions			
12	of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter 31.04 RCW, the Consumer			
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14	Loan Act (Act). After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 31.04.145, and based upon the facts			
15	available as of February 6, 2006, the Director institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:			
16	I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS			
17	1.1 Respondents.			
18	A. Ocean West Enterprises, Inc., dba Ocean West Funding (Respondent Ocean West) was			
19	licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department) to conduct			
20	business as a Consumer Loan Company on December 4, 1997, and has continued to be licensed to date.			
21	B. Marshall Stewart (Respondent Stewart) is President and Owner of Respondent Ocean West.			
22	C. Daryl Meddings (Respondent Meddings) is Executive Vice President and Owner of			
23	Respondent Ocean West.			
24	1.2 Failure to Maintain Bond. On June 22, 2005, the Department received notice from Travelers			
25	Casualty and Surety Company of America that Respondent Ocean West's surety bond would be cancelled			
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application for the original license.

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#### IV. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE

This Statement of Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Revoke Consumer Loan License, Impose Fine, and Collect Investigation Fee (Statement of Charges) is entered pursuant to the provisions of RCW 31.04.093, RCW 31.04.165, RCW 31.04.202 and RCW 31.04.205, and is subject to the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (The Administrative Procedure Act). Respondents may make a written request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING accompanying this Statement of Charges.

Dated this 6th day of February, 2006.

Presented by:

RAYÑE TRONSET-MOORE

Financial Legal Examiner

Approved by:

MES R. BRUSSELBACK

Enforcement Chief

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Director

Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions



# 1 2 3 4 IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING: Whether there has been a violation of the 5 Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by: 6 OCEAN WEST ENTERPRISES, INC., dba OCEAN WEST FUNDING, and MARSHALL 7 STEWART, President and Owner, and DARYL MEDDINGS, Executive Vice President and 8 Owner, Respondents. 9 10 THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO: 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25

### STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS **DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES**

C-05-175-06-SC01

NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING

Ocean West Enterprises, Inc. dba Ocean West Funding Marshall Stewart Daryl Meddings

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that a STATEMENT OF CHARGES has been filed by the Department of Financial Institutions, a true and correct copy of which is attached and made a part hereof.

YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that you may file an application for an adjudicative hearing before the Washington State Department of Financial Institutions on the Statement of Charges. Service of this notice is deemed complete upon deposit in the United States mail. YOUR APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS WITHIN TWENTY (20) DAYS FROM THE DATE YOU RECEIVED THIS NOTICE. If you demand a hearing, you will be notified of the time and place for the hearing at least seven (7) days in advance of the hearing date.

At the hearing, you may appear personally, and by counsel, if you desire. The hearing will be as informal as is practical within the requirements of the Administrative Procedure Act (see chapter 34.05 RCW). The hearing will be recorded. The primary concern will be getting to the truth of the matter insofar as the Statement of Charges is concerned. Technical rules of evidence will not be binding at the hearing except for the rules of privilege recognized by law. You have the right to present evidence and witnesses in your own behalf, and to cross-examine those witnesses presented in support of the Statement of Charges. You may require the attendance of witnesses by

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subpoena. If you are limited English- speaking or hearing impaired, you have the right to have an interpreter appointed at no cost to you, as discussed below.

INTERPRETER AVAILABILITY. If you or a witness for you is a person who, because of non-English-speaking cultural background, cannot readily speak or understand the English language, or if you or a witness for you is a person who, because of a hearing impairment or speech defect, cannot readily understand or communicate in spoken language, including persons who are deaf, deaf and blind, or hard of hearing, AND YOU NEED AN INTERPRETER, then a qualified interpreter will be appointed at no cost to you or to the witness. You may request the appointment of a qualified interpreter by indicating your request on the attached Application for Adjudicative Hearing form.

YOU ARE FURTHER NOTIFIED that if the Department of Financial Institutions does not <u>RECEIVE</u> the Application for Adjudicative Hearing form within twenty (20) days from the date you received this notice, this will constitute a waiver of your right to a hearing and the Director will find that you do not contest the allegations of the Statement of Charges. Upon such a finding by the Director a final order will be immediately entered disposing of this matter as described in the Statement of Charges. If you desire a hearing in this matter, please return the attached Application for Adjudicative Hearing to:

Department of Financial Institutions, Division of Consumer Services Attn: Steven C. Sherman PO Box 41200 Olympia, Washington 98504-1200

Dated this day of February 2006.



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Director
Division of Consumer Services
Department of Financial Institutions