CONSENT ORDER No. C-06-116-07-CO02 Donald Parker

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING
Whether there has been a violation of the
Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:

FREESTAND FINANCIAL HOLDING CORP., and JESSE A. GEE, President and Designated Broker, and DONALD PARKER, Employee and Branch Manager.

Respondents.

NO. C-06-116-07-CO02

CONSENT ORDER

Donald Parker

COMES NOW the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions (Director), through his designee Deborah Bortner, Division Director, Division of Consumer Services, and DONALD PARKER (hereinafter Respondent Parker), and finding that the issues raised in the captioned matter may be economically and efficiently settled, agree to the entry of this Consent Order. This Consent Order is entered pursuant to chapter 19.146 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, based on the following:

AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Department of Financial Institutions, Division of Consumer Services (Department) and Respondent Parker have agreed upon a basis for resolution of the matters alleged in Statement of Charges No. C-06-116-06-SC01 (Statement of Charges), entered August 1, 2006, (copy attached hereto), as they relate to Respondent Parker. Pursuant to chapter 19.146, the Mortgage Broker Practices Act (Act), and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, Respondents hereby agree to the Department's entry of this Consent Order and further agree that the issues raised in the above captioned matter may be economically and efficiently settled by entry of this Consent Order. The parties intend this Consent Order to fully resolve the Statement of Charges.

Based upon the foregoing:

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A. **Jurisdiction.** It is AGREED that the Department has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the activities discussed herein.

B. Waiver of Hearing. It is AGREED that Respondent Parker has been informed of the right to a hearing before an administrative law judge, and that he has waived his right to a hearing and any and all administrative and judicial review of the issues raised in this matter, or of the resolution reached herein.

Accordingly, Respondent Parker agrees to withdraw his appeal and to inform the Office of Administrative Hearings in writing of his withdrawal.

C. **Prohibition from Industry.** It is AGREED that Respondent Parker is prohibited from participating in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker licensed by the Department or any mortgage broker exempt from Washington law under RCW 19.146.020(1)(b), (e), or (g) for ten (10) years from the date of entry of this Consent Order in any capacity, including but not limited to: (1) any financial capacity whether active or passive or (2) as an officer, director, principal, designated broker, employee, or loan originator or (3) any management, control, oversight or maintenance of any trust account(s) in any way related to any residential mortgage transaction or (4) receiving, disbursing, managing or controlling in any way, consumer trust funds in any way related to any residential mortgage transaction.

D. Unlicensed Activity. It is AGREED that during the above-referenced ten (10) year period of prohibition, Respondent Parker will not participate in the conduct of the affairs of any unlicensed mortgage broker, including but not limited to: (1) any financial capacity whether active or passive or (2) as an officer, director, principal, designated broker, employee, or loan originator or (3) any management, control, oversight or maintenance of any trust account(s) in any way related to any residential mortgage transaction or (4) receiving, disbursing, managing or controlling in any way, consumer trust funds in any way related to any residential mortgage transaction.

E. **Application for Mortgage Broker License**. It is AGREED that Respondent Parker shall not apply to the Department for any license issued pursuant to chapter 19.146 RCW under any name for a period of ten(10)

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years from the date of entry of this Consent Order. It is further AGREED that, should Respondent Parker apply to the Department for any license issued pursuant to chapter 19.146 RCW at any time after ten (10) years from the date of entry of this Consent Order, Respondent Parker shall be required to meet any and all application requirements in effect at that time.

- F. Non-Compliance with Order. It is AGREED that Respondent Parker understands that failure to abide by the terms and conditions of this Consent Order may result in further legal action by the Director. In the event of such legal action, Respondent Parker may be responsible to reimburse the Director for the costs incurred in pursuing such action, including, but not limited to, attorney fees.
- G. Voluntarily Entered. It is AGREED that Respondent Parker has voluntarily entered into this Consent Order, which is effective when signed by the Director's designee.
- H. Completely Read, Understood, and Agreed. It is AGREED that Respondent Parker has read this Consent Order in its entirety and fully understand and agrees to all of the same.

RESPONDENT Donald Parker, Individua

Approved for Entry:

uke McKean, WSBA #13294 Attorney for Respondent Donald Parker

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DEBORAH BORTNER Division Director

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NO. C-06-116-06-SC01

STATEMENT OF CHARGES and
NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER
AN ORDER TO REVOKE LICENSE, IMPOSE FINE,
ORDER RESTITUTION, PROHIBIT FROM
INDUSTRY, AND COLLECT INVESTIGATION FEE

Respondents.

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220 and RCW 19.146.223, the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter 19.146 RCW, the Mortgage Broker Practices Act (Act). After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 19.146.235, and based upon the facts available as of July 26, 2006, the Director institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:

I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1.1 Respondents.

A. Respondent Freestand Financial Holding Corp. (Freestand) was licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department) to conduct business as a mortgage broker on July 14, 2004, and has continued to be licensed to date. Respondent Freestand is licensed to conduct the business of a mortgage broker at 3200 N. Central Ave., Phoenix, AZ. Respondent Freestand maintained two (2) branch offices in Washington State at 2310 130th Ave NE, Ste B-100, Bellevue, WA, and 2320 130th Ave. NE ste E-104, Bellevue, WA. Both of these branch offices closed on March 23, 2006.

В.	Respondent Jesse A. Gee (Gee) is the President and Designated Broker of Respondent
Freestand. F	Respondent Gee was named Designated Broker of Respondent Freestand on July 14, 2004, and has
continued as	Designated Broker to date.

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U.	Respondent Donald Parker	irker) is employed as a branch manager to	1 Respondent 1 reestand.

1.2	Unlicensed Location. Since at least March 7, 2006, Respondents are known to have conducted the
busines	es of a mortgage broker from the following location: 413 Sharon Ave. East, Moses Lake, WA 98837.
To date	e, Respondents have never applied for or received a license from the Department to conduct the business
of a mo	ortgage broker from this location. To date, the Department has not issued a license to any person to
conduc	t the business of a mortgage broker from this location.

1.3 Unlicensed Activity. Between March 7, 2006, and July 7, 2006, Respondents assisted at least seven (7) borrowers in applying to obtain residential mortgage loans on property located in the State of Washington from the unlicensed location discussed in paragraph 1.2. Respondents assisted at least six (6) of these borrowers in obtaining residential mortgage loans. The borrowers involved in these residential mortgage loans paid fees to Respondent Freestand totaling \$ 20,204.77 as follows:

Borrower Botelo	\$ 4,589.00
Borrower Spurrier	\$ 2,416.40
Borrower Torres	\$ 2,722.50
Borrower Lindsey	\$ 2,465.40
Borrower Ringer	\$ 3,364.67
Borrower Schwabauer	\$ 1,730.40
Borrower Orona	\$ 2,916.40
Total	\$ 20,204.77

1.4 Operating and Advertising Under Unlicensed Name. Respondent Freestand is licensed to conduct the business of a Mortgage Broker in the State of Washington under the name "Freestand Financial Holding Corp." and the d/b/a "Northstar Lending." To date, Respondents have neither requested nor received the written consent of the Director to operate under any name other than the one under which the license is issued, or the d/b/a "Northstar Lending."

- A. Operating Under Unlicensed Name. Since at least March 7, 2006, Respondents have operated under the name "Basin Brokerage." Respondents have done so by representing themselves to prospective borrowers as Basin Brokerage. Respondents' local telephone listing is under the name Basin Brokerage. Respondents are listed with the Moses Lake Chamber of Commerce as Basin Brokerage.
- B. Advertising Under Unlicensed Name. Since at least March 7, 2006, Respondents have advertised under the name Basin Brokerage. Respondents have maintained a web site in the name of Basin Brokerage, and Respondents have placed advertisements in local print media under the name Basin Brokerage.
- 1.5 Prohibited Acts. Respondents have engaged in prohibited acts by making a knowingly false statement to the Department, by obtaining property by fraud or misrepresentation, by employing a scheme or artifice to defraud or mislead borrowers or lenders, and by engaging in an unfair or deceptive practice.
 - A. On May 2, 2006, Respondent Parker called the Department and spoke with a staff person. He asserted that he had submitted a branch license application in March. To date, the Department has not received a branch application from the Respondents. The Department's only March 2006 contacts with Respondent Parker were via telephone and e-mail. On June 14, 2006, Respondent Parker called a Department staff person. During his conversation with this staff person, Mr. Parker asserted that the name Basin Brokerage had only been used on the web site. Department staff directly asked Mr. Parker to confirm that the term Basin Brokerage had not been used in any other context. Mr. Parker specifically denied that the name had been used in any context aside from the web site. In fact, Mr. Parker had used the name Basin Brokerage in print advertisements and telephone directory listings.
 - B. In a March 7, 2006, e-mail communication, the Department advised Mr. Parker that he could not hold himself out as being able to offer the services of a mortgage broker from the Moses Lake location without first obtaining a license for that location. In a June 14, 2006, telephone call, the Department reiterated this requirement. Respondent continues to date to engage in the business of a mortgage broker.

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C.	Respondents have originated (7) loans that have closed since March 7, 2006, from the		
	unlicensed Moses Lake location. Respondents have utilized their main-office license to		
	originate each of these loans.		

- 1.6 Failure to Respond Timely to Directive. Respondent Parker failed to respond to an April 20, 2006, directive issued in connection with the investigation of this matter. The directive required a response on or before May 5, 2006 (15 days after issuance of the directive). The Department did not receive a response. As a result, the Department was forced to issue a subpoena on May 12, 2006. Respondent Parker provided the Department with a partial response to the subpoena on May 25, 2006, and completed his response on May 30, 2006.
- 1.7 On-Going Investigation. The Department's investigation into the alleged violations of the Act by Respondents continues to date.

II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER

- 2.1 Definition of Mortgage Broker. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.010(12) and WAC 208-660-010(29), "Mortgage Broker" means any person who, for compensation or gain, or in the expectation of compensation or gain (a) makes a residential mortgage loan or assists a person in obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan or (b) holds himself or herself out as being able to make a residential mortgage loan or assist a person in obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan.
- **2.2 Definition of Borrower.** Pursuant to RCW 19.146.010(2), a "Borrower" is defined as any person who consults with or retains a mortgage broker or loan originator in an effort to obtain or seek advice or information on obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan for himself, herself, or persons including himself or herself, regardless of whether the person actually obtains such a loan.
- 2.3 Prohibited Acts. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1), (2), (3), and (8) for directly or indirectly employing any scheme, device, or artifice to defraud or mislead borrowers or lenders, engaging in an unfair or deceptive practice toward

(12), RCW 19.146.265, or failure to comply with a directive or order of the Director.

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1	to the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (The Administrative Procedure Act). Respondents may make a written
2	request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY
3	FOR HEARING accompanying this Statement of Charges.
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5	Dated this 15+ day of August, 2006.
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