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ORDER SUMMARY – Case Number: C-07-360

Name(s):	James Benjam	in Morton		
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Order Number:	C-07-360-07-I	FO01		
Effective Date :	October 24, 2007			
License Number: Or NMLS Identifier [U/L] License Effect:	DFI: 44947 (Revoked, suspended, stayed, application denied or withdrawn) If applicable, you must specifically note the ending dates of terms. Denial			
Not Apply Until:	January 9, 201	0		
Not Eligible Until:				
Prohibition/Ban Until:				
Investigation Costs	\$	Due	Paid N N	Date
Fine	\$	Due	Paid N	Date
Assessment(s)	\$	Due	Paid Y N	Date
Restitution	\$	Due	Paid N N	Date
Judgment	\$	Due	Paid N N	Date
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STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

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FINAL ORDER – JAMES BENJAMIN MORTON C-07-360-07-F001 NO. C-07-360-07-FO01

FINAL ORDER

IN THE MATTER OF INVESTIGATING the Loan Originator License Application under the

the Loan Originator License Application under the Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:

JAMES BENJAMIN MORTON,

Respondent.

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 September 13, 2007, the
Director, through Consumer Services Division Director Deborah Bortner, entered a Statement of
Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Deny License Application (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 September 13, 2007, a
Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and a blank Application for a Brief
Adjudicative Proceeding. The Department served the Statement of Charges, cover letter dated
September 13, 2007, Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Proceeding, and blank
Request for Brief Adjudicative Proceeding on Respondent on September 17, 2007 by Federal Express
overnight delivery. The documents sent via first class mail were not returned to the Department by the
United States Postal Service.

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Respondent did not request an adjudicative proceeding within twenty calendar days after the Department served him with the Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Proceeding, as provided for in WAC 208-08-050(2).

- B. <u>Record Presented</u>. The record presented to the Director's designee for her review and for entry of a final decision included the Statement of Charges, cover letter dated September 13, 2007, Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Proceeding, and blank Request for Brief Adjudicative Proceeding, with documentation of service.
- C. <u>Factual Findings and Grounds For Order.</u> Pursuant to RCW 34.05.440(1), the Director's designee hereby adopts the Statement of Charges, which is attached hereto.

II. <u>FINAL ORDER</u>

Based upon the foregoing, and the Director's designee having considered the record and being otherwise fully advised, NOW, THEREFORE:

- A. IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, That:
 - 1. Respondent James Benjamin Morton's application for a loan originator license is denied.
- B. Reconsideration. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, Respondent 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 Respondent. 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.

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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. <u>Stay of Order</u>. The Director's designee has determined not to consider a Petition 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. <u>Judicial Review</u>. Respondent 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. <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 2 day of 2007

STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS

DEBORAH BORTNER

DIRECTOR

DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES



STATEMENT OF CHARGES C-07-360-07-SC01 James Benjamin Morton DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
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II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER

2.1 Requirement of No Prior Convictions. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent Morton fails to meet the requirements of RCW 19.146.310(1)(d) and WAC 208-660-350(2)(c) by having been convicted of a felony within seven years of the filing of the present application.

III. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS

3.1 Authority to Deny Application for Loan Originator License. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(1), the Director may deny licenses to loan originators. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.310(2) and WAC 208-660-350(7), the Director shall not issue a loan originator license if the conditions of RCW 19.146.310(1) have not been met by the applicant, and shall notify the loan originator applicant and any mortgage brokers listed on the application of the denial.

IV. NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER ORDER

Respondent's violations of the provisions of chapter 19.146 RCW and chapter 208-660 WAC, as set forth in the above Factual Allegations, Grounds for Entry of Order, and Authority to Impose Sanctions, constitute a basis for the entry of an Order under RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221, RCW 19.146.223 and RCW 19.146.310.

Therefore, it is the Director's intention to ORDER that:

4.1 Respondent James Benjamin Morton's application for a loan originator license be denied.

V. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE

This Statement of Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Deny License Application (Statement of Charges) is issued pursuant to the provisions of RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221, RCW 19.146.223 and RCW 19.146.230, and is subject to the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (The Administrative Procedure Act). Respondent may make a written request for a Brief Adjudicative Proceeding as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND OPPORTUNITY FOR BRIEF ADJUDICATIVE PROCEEDING accompanying this Statement of Charges.

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