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# STATE OF OREGON DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AND BUSINESS SERVICES DIVISION OF FINANCE AND CORPORATE SECURITIES

In the Matter of: DM-11-0052 Green Credit Solutions, Final Order to Cease and Desist and **Final Order Assessing Civil Penalty** Respondent. **Entered by Default** 

On July 22, 2011, the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Services for the State of Oregon ("Director") acting pursuant to the authority contained in Oregon Revised Statutes ("ORS") 86A.100 et. seq. and Oregon Administrative Rules ("OAR") 441-850-0005 through 441-885-0010 ("Oregon Mortgage Lender Laws and Rules") and ORS 697.602 to 697.842 and OAR 441-910-0000 through 441-910-0120 ("Oregon Debt Management Service Provider Laws and Rules"), issued Administrative Order No. DM-11-0052 Order to Cease and Desist, Proposed Order Assessing Civil Penalty and Notice of Right to a Hearing ("Notice Order") against Green Credit Solutions.

On May 30, 2012, the Division properly served the Notice Order on Respondent by certified and first class U.S. mail at 19462 Pompano Ln. #109, Huntington Beach, CA 92648. Respondent has not made a written demand for a contested case hearing in this matter and the time to do so has expired.

NOW THEREFORE, after consideration of the file in this matter maintained by the Oregon Department of Consumer and Business Services, the Director hereby issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Final Orders.

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#### FINDINGS OF FACT

The Director finds that:

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- 1. Green Credit Solutions ("Respondent") lists its address as 7525 Irvine Center Drive, Suite 200, Irvine, California, 92618.
- 2. Respondent is not a licensed mortgage banker, broker, or loan originator in Oregon and is not registered as a debt management service provider in Oregon.
- 3. Respondent has not obtained a unique identifier from the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry.

#### **B. JCA transaction**

- 4. At all times relevant to this matter, the individual consumer identified herein as "JCA" was an Oregon resident. At all relevant times herein, JCA was a party to a home mortgage loan secured by real estate located in Salem, Oregon.
- 5. On or about February 15, 2009, Respondent and JCA entered into a contract whereby Respondent agreed to negotiate a loan modification for a loan secured by residential real property located in Salem, Oregon on behalf of JCA in exchange for valuable consideration.
  - 6. On February 21, 2009, JCA paid \$3,495 to Respondent.
- 7. On information and belief, Respondent has not conducted any substantive conversations with JCA's mortgage lender that have resulted in a modification of JCA's residential real estate loan.
- 8. On or about August 18, 2010, the Division of Finance and Corporate Securities notified Respondent in writing that it was required to comply with the licensing requirements of the Oregon Mortgage Lender law or the registration requirements of the statutes regarding debt management service providers to collect and retain fees in exchange for offering to assist Oregon consumers in adjusting the terms of their residential real estate loans.
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9. The Division requested, in writing, that Respondent refund the fees collected from JCA within 21 days from August 18, 2010, because it did not perform its promise to obtain a modification of the terms of JCA's residential real estate loan.

10. As of the date of this order, Respondent has failed to refund the fees that it collected from JCA.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

The Director concludes that:

- 11. Respondent acted as a "mortgage broker" as defined by ORS 86A.100(7)(a)(C) when they offered to negotiate the terms of JCA's mortgage loan in exchange for compensation.
- 12. Respondent engaged in a "residential mortgage transaction in this state" as defined by ORS 86A.103(2) when they offered to negotiate a home mortgage loan secured by real estate located in Oregon.
- 13. Respondent violated ORS 86A.103(1) when they engaged in a residential mortgage transaction in Oregon without first being licensed as either a mortgage banker or mortgage broker as described herein.
- 14. Respondent violated ORS 86A.154(2) when it knowingly made an untrue statement of material fact by telling JCA that Respondent would attempt to negotiate JCA's residential real estate loan.
- 15. Respondent performed a "debt management service" as defined by ORS 697.602(2)(c) when they offered to modify terms and conditions of an existing loan or obligation in exchange for compensation.
- 16. Respondent violated ORS 697.612(1)(a) when they performed a debt management service without first registering with the Director under ORS 697.632.
- 17. The \$3,495 fee collected by Respondent exceeded the amount permitted by ORS 697.692(1).

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	18. Respondent	violated OR	S 697.662	(7)(a) wh	en it collec	ted fees	from .	JCA	that
exceede	ed the amounts	permitted by	ORS 697.6	592(1).					

- 19. Respondent violated ORS 697.662(4) when it offered to perform a debt management service without evaluating, as part of the budge analysis the debt management service provider must perform under ORS 697.652(2), whether the debt management service is or would be advantageous to the consumer.
- 20. Respondent violated ORS 697.662(5) when it performed a debt management service without having a good faith belief formed after conducting an evaluation described in ORS 697.662(4) that the consumer can or will comply with the terms of the agreement described in ORS 697.652.

#### **ORDERS**

NOW, THEREFORE, the Director issues the following orders:

#### Cease and Desist Order

21. The Director, pursuant to his authority under ORS 86A.127 and ORS 697.825 hereby orders respondent to cease and desist from violating Oregon's Mortgage Lender Laws and Rules and Oregon's Debt Management Service Providers Laws and Rules.

## Proposed Order Assessing Civil Penalty

22. The Director, pursuant to ORS 86A.992, and ORS 697.832, may assess civil penalties of up to \$5,000 per violation against persons who violate the Oregon Mortgage Lender Laws and Rules and Debt Management Service Providers Laws and Rules. Pursuant to these provisions, the Director, hereby orders Respondent to pay the State of Oregon a civil penalty totaling \$20,000. This civil penalty is calculated as follows: \$5,000 for unregistered and unlicensed loan modification activity in violation of ORS 86A.103(1) and ORS 697.612(1); \$5,000 for mortgage fraud in violation of ORS 86A.154(2); \$5,000 for collecting excessive fees in violation of ORS 697.692(1) and ORS 697.662(7)(a); and \$5,000 for offering to perform a debt management service without a good faith belief that it would

actually be beneficial to the consumer in violation of ORS 697.662(4) and ORS 697.662(5). 23. The entry of this Order in no way further limits remedies which may be available to the Director under Oregon law. Dated this  $5^{th}$  day of July, 2012. PATRICK M. ALLEN, Director Department of Consumer and Business Services /s/ David Tatman David C. Tatman, Administrator Division of Finance and Corporate Securities **NOTICE:** You are entitled to judicial review of this Order. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition with the Court of Appeals in Salem, Oregon within 60 days from the service of this Order. Judicial review is pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482 to the Oregon Court of Appeals. 

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