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**BEFORE THE DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE
OF THE STATE OF IDAHO**

In re Mortgage Loan Originator
License Application of:

BRENT PETERSON,
NMLS ID No. 156879,

Applicant.

Docket No. 2019-16-04

**NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE ORDER OF
DENIAL OF MORTGAGE LOAN
ORIGINATOR LICENSE APPLICATION**

AND

**NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO
REQUEST A HEARING**

The Director of the Idaho Department of Finance (Director), pursuant to the Idaho Residential Mortgage Practices Act, Idaho Code § 26-31-101 *et seq.* (the Act), and in particular §§ 26-31-306(1)(d), 26-31-306(1)(h) and 26-31-313(1)(b) of the Act, hereby issues the following Notice of Intent to Issue Order of Denial of Mortgage Loan Originator License Application and Notice of the Opportunity to Request a Hearing.

Pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-305(6), BRENT PETERSON (the Applicant) has the right to a hearing on the question of his qualifications, but to do so he must make a written request for

a hearing within fifteen (15) days after the date of mailing of this Notice. If the written request is not timely made, the Director shall issue a Final Order of Denial of Mortgage Loan Originator License Application.

The Notice is based on the following:

MATTERS ASSERTED

1. The Applicant, a resident of the state of Utah, applied for an Idaho Mortgage Loan Originator license by filing a Form MU4 through the online Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry (NMLSR) on December 13, 2018.

2. The application Form MU4, seeks information about an applicant’s qualifications to be licensed as a mortgage loan originator. Section 6 of the application form is entitled “Disclosure Questions” and it consists of a series of questions that inquire into an applicant’s history regarding financial, criminal, civil, judicial and regulatory matters. Pertinent to the Applicant’s qualifications is Question (D), which reads: “Do you have any unsatisfied judgments or liens against you?” The Applicant responded with a “no” to this question.

3. As with all application reviews, a Department examiner conducted an assessment of the Applicant using various sources of public information to determine if the applicant demonstrates sufficient financial responsibility, character, and general fitness in order to be licensed as a mortgage loan originator.¹ The examiner found a relevant omission in the Applicant’s responses to the disclosure questions.

¹ Conducted pursuant to Part 3 of the Act titled “The Idaho Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act” (Idaho S.A.F.E. Mortgage Licensing Act), Idaho Code § 26-31-305.

4. The examiner obtained a public records background information report through LexisNexis. The report showed that in September 2018, the Utah State Tax Commission filed two tax liens against the Applicant in the amounts of \$509.00 and \$544.00. These liens remain outstanding.

5. The Applicant affirmatively stated in his application that he did not have any outstanding judgments or liens filed against him. This statement is false.

LEGAL CONCLUSIONS

6. Paragraphs 1 through 5 above are fully incorporated herein by this reference.

7. Idaho Code § 26-31-304 provides that an individual shall not engage in the business of a mortgage loan originator without first obtaining, and maintaining annually, a license.

8. Idaho Code § 26-31-305(1) provides that an Applicant for a mortgage loan originator license must apply through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry (NMLSR), in a form required by the Director.

9. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-306(1)(h), before an application for license can be approved, the Applicant must provide all information on the application.

10. Idaho Code § 26-31-306(1)(d) provides that the Director shall not issue a mortgage loan originator license under the Act unless the Director makes a finding that the applicant has demonstrated financial responsibility, character and general fitness sufficient to command the confidence of the community and to warrant a determination that the mortgage loan originator will operate honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the purposes of the Act.

11. Pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-313(b), the Director may deny a license if an applicant withholds information or makes a material misstatement in an application for a license.

12. The Applicant made a material misstatement of fact in his application, which is grounds to deny his application for licensure. He failed to disclose that he has an outstanding judgment filed against him.

13. The failure to disclose this item prohibits the Director from issuing a license to the Applicant pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-306(1)(h).

14. The Director finds it appropriate to deny the application because the Applicant's failure to disclose on the Form MU4 the unsatisfied judgment shows that the Applicant lacks the appropriate character and fitness sufficient to command the confidence of the community and to warrant a determination that the mortgage loan originator will operate honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the purposes of the Act. Because the Director cannot make the requisite findings under Idaho Code § 26-31-306(1)(d), it is appropriate to deny the Applicant's request for an Idaho mortgage loan originator license, pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-313.

NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A HEARING

15. The Applicant is HEREBY NOTIFIED that the foregoing NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE ORDER OF DENIAL OF MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR LICENSE APPLICATION will become a final order of the Director, unless the Applicant timely submits a request for hearing pursuant to Idaho Code § 26-31-305(6)(a). Such request for a hearing must be in writing and submitted to the Department within fifteen (15) days after the service of this NOTICE. A copy of the request for contested case and hearing shall be served on Anthony Polidori, Consumer Finance Bureau Chief, at the following address:

Anthony Polidori
Consumer Finance Bureau Chief
Idaho Department of Finance
P.O. Box 83720
Boise, Idaho 83720-0031

Alternatively, the Applicant may email the request for hearing to: CFLegal@finance.idaho.gov.

A copy of the request for contested case and hearing shall also be served on the Department's counsel in this matter, Brian D. Nicholas, Deputy Attorney General, at the same address.

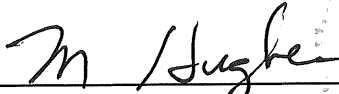
16. If the Applicant timely requests a hearing, the Department will notify the Applicant of the date, time and place of the hearing, as well as the name and contact information of the presiding officer.

17. Any hearing and subsequent proceedings in this matter will be conducted in accordance with the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, Idaho Code § 67-5201 *et seq.*

18. Alternatively, the Applicant can withdraw the application he submitted on December 13, 2018. If the Applicant withdraws the application before the deadline to submit a request for a hearing, the Department will not issue a Final Order of Denial of Mortgage Loan Originator License Application. The Applicant can then submit a new complete application, which will be reviewed by the Department.

DATED this 20th day of February, 2019.

STATE OF IDAHO
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE



MARY E. HUGHES, Acting Director

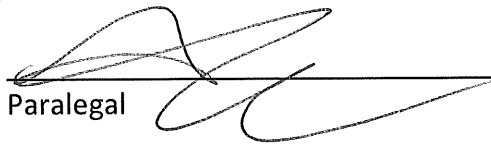


CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 20th day of February, 2019, I caused a true and correct fully-executed copy of the foregoing NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE ORDER OF DENIAL OF MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR LICENSE APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO REQUEST A HEARING to be served on the following by the designated means:

Brent Peterson
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- U.S. mail, postage prepaid
- certified mail
- facsimile _____
- email: brentpeteron@gmail.com



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