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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:

SCOTT JAMES ROCKY II, NMLS ID No. 2736484,

Applicant.

Docket No. 2025-16-23

ORDER DENYING MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR LICENSE APPLICATION AND

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO A HEARING

The Director of the State of Idaho, Department of Finance ("Department"), pursuant to the Idaho Secure and Fair Enforcement for Mortgage Licensing Act, Idaho Code ("I.C.") §§ 26-31-301, et seq. (the "Act"), hereby issues this Order as to Scott James Rocky II ("Applicant").

The Applicant is entitled to a hearing on his qualifications for a license, if a request is made within fifteen (15) days of service of this order. If a request for a hearing is not made within the prescribed period, this order will become final.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Applicant, a resident of the state of Michigan, applied for an Idaho Mortgage Loan Originator ("MLO") license through the online Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and

Registry ("NMLS") under NMLS No. 2736484. The Applicant attested to the information provided and submitted the application on July 25, 2025.

- 2. The application Form MU4 seeks information on an applicant's qualifications to be licensed as an MLO, and the "Disclosure Questions" section specifically requests information pertaining to an applicant's financial, criminal, civil, judicial, and regulatory history.
- 3. In response to disclosure question (D), "Do you have any unsatisfied judgments or liens against you?" the Applicant responded, "No."
- 4. As part of its regular application review under I.C. § 26-31-316, the Department obtained a public records background check through LexisNexis on July 28, 2025, to determine the Applicant's fitness to be licensed.
- 5. The report showed a Montana Department of Revenue judgment of \$1,122.26 (Case No. SL-16-2025-0000318-XD) filed on July 24, 2025, in the Gallatin County District Court of Montana, which had not been disclosed on the Applicant's Form MU4. The Department accessed information through the Gallatin County District Court portal and verified that the judgment remained unsatisfied.
- 6. On July 28, 2025, the Department informed the Applicant that it had obtained judgment information that required disclosure on the Form MU4. The Department provided notice of its intent to deny the application in four (4) weeks based on an inaccurate application, unless the Applicant could provide documentation showing the judgment was not subject to disclosure because it was resolved prior to the application date. The Applicant was also provided the opportunity to withdraw the application. No action was taken by the Applicant.
- 7. Based upon its investigation, the Department has concluded that the judgment against the Applicant described above has not been satisfied.

FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 8. The allegations set forth in paragraphs 1 through 7 above are fully incorporated herein by this reference.
- 9. I.C. § 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.
- 10. I.C. § 26-31-305(1) provides that an applicant for a mortgage loan originator license must apply through the NMLSR in a form required by the Director of the Idaho Department of Finance (Director). ¹
- 11. I.C. § 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 an 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.
- 12. Pursuant to I.C. § 26-31-306(1)(h), before an application for license can be approved, an applicant must provide all information on the application as required per I.C. § 26-31-305. I.C. § 26-31-305(10) provides that an applicant shall make complete disclosure of all information required in the application.
- 13. Pursuant to I.C. § 26-31-313(1)(a) and (b), the Director may deny a license if an applicant violates the Act, withholds information, or makes a material misstatement in an

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¹ The original version of the Nationwide Multistate Licensing System and Registry ("NMLS") was named Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry ("NMLSR").

application for a license.

- 14. The Applicant made a material misstatement of fact in his application by failing to disclose his judgment in the Disclosure Explanation section of his application, which is grounds to deny his application for licensure pursuant to I.C. § 26-31-306(1)(d) and (h) and § 26-31-313(1)(a) and (b).
- 15. The Director finds that the Applicant's failure to disclose his judgment on the Form MU4 demonstrates that the Applicant lacks the appropriate character and fitness sufficient to command the confidence of the community and cannot be warranted to operate honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the purposes of the Act.
- 16. The Director further finds that the Applicant's failure to disclose his judgment on the Form MU4 constitutes a failure to provide complete information in the application as required by I.C. § 26-31-305.
- 17. The Director cannot make the requisite findings under I.C. §§ 26-31-306(1)(d) and (h); therefore, it is appropriate to deny the Applicant's request for an Idaho mortgage loan originator license, pursuant to I.C. § 26-31-313(1).

<u>ORDER</u>

NOW, THEREFORE, BASED ON THE FOREGOING FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW, AND PURSUANT TO I.C. §§ 26-31-313(1)(a) and (b), IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT THE APPLICATION FOR A MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR LICENSE ATTESTED TO AND SUBMITTED BY SCOTT JAMES ROCKY II, NMLS # 2736484, ON JULY 25, 2025, IS DENIED.

NOTICE

A hearing will be granted to the Applicant if a written request for a hearing is received by the Department within fifteen (15) days of the service date of this order.

The written request may be submitted by email to erin.vanengelen@finance.idaho.gov or mailed to the following address:

Attn: Erin Van Engelen Consumer Finance Bureau Chief Idaho Department of Finance P.O. Box 83720 Boise, Idaho 83720-0031

A copy of the request may be copied to the Department's counsel, Matthew Maurer, Lead Deputy Attorney General, at matthew.maurer@ag.idaho.gov.

If a hearing is timely requested, the Department will assign the contested case proceeding to the Office of Administrative Hearings pursuant to I.C. § 67-5280(2)(a). Proceedings will be conducted in accordance with the Idaho Administrative Procedure Act, I.C. §§ 67-5201 *et seq.* and the Idaho Rules of Administrative Procedure (IDAPA 62.01.01).

Pursuant to I.C. § 26-31-305(6), if an appeal is made, the Applicant shall reimburse the Director for her reasonable and necessary expenses incurred as a result of the appeal.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

DATED this 11th day of September 2025.

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STATE OF IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE

PATRICIA R. PERKINS, Director

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CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on this 12th day of September 2025, I caused a true and correct fully executed copy of the foregoing ORDER DENYING MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATOR LICENSE APPLICATION AND NOTICE OF THE OPPORTUNITY TO APPEAL to be served on the following by the designated means:

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