## RECEIVED

MAY 1 2 2011

STATE OF WASHINGTON ENFORCEMENT UNIT DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

2

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

1

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

5 WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., d/b/a GUARANTY MORTGAGE GROUP, LLC,

6 KEVIN A. KEADLE, CHRIS A. KEADLE, CHRIS STUDIOSO, BRIAN SODORFF, EMILY CADY, and DAN GORMAN,

Respondents.

No. C-09-513-11-CO03

CONSENT ORDER AS TO RESPONDENT WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC.

COMES NOW the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions (Director), through his designee Deborah Bortner, Division Director, Division of Consumer Services, and Washington Financial Group, Inc. (Respondent) by and through its attorney, John Bley, and finding that the issues raised in the above-captioned matter as related to Respondent 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 have agreed upon a basis for resolution of the matters as related to Respondent alleged in Statement of Charges No. C-09-513-10-SC01 (Statement of Charges), entered October 7, 2010, incorporated herein by reference and attached hereto. Pursuant to chapter 19.146 RCW, the Mortgage Broker Practices Act (Act) and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, Respondent hereby agrees to the Department's entry of this Consent Order as related to Respondent.

23

24 || /

CONSENT ORDER C-09-513-11-CO03 Washington Financial Group, Inc. DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Division of Consumer Services
PO Box 41200
Olympia, WA 98504-1200
(360) 902.8703

Based upon the foregoing:

- 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 has been informed of the right to a hearing before an administrative law judge, and that it hereby waives their right to a hearing and to any and all administrative and judicial review of the issues raised in this matter, or of the resolution reached herein. Accordingly, Respondent, by the signature of its representatives below withdraws its appeal of the Statement of Charges to the Office of Administrative Hearings.
- C. No Admission of Liability. It is AGREED that the parties intend this Consent Order to fully resolve the Statement of Charges as related to Respondent. Furthermore, Respondent neither admits nor denies the Factual Allegations of the Statement of Charges as related to Respondent.
- D. License Surrender. It is AGREED that the Department will accept the voluntary surrender of Respondent's mortgage broker and consumer loan licenses.
- E. Agreement Not To Apply. It is AGREED that Respondent shall not apply to the Department for a license to conduct business as a mortgage broker or consumer loan company, under any name or on behalf of any person or entity, for a period of five years from the date of entry of this Consent Order.
- F. Future Applications for Licensure. It is AGREED that should Respondent apply to the Department in the future for a mortgage broker or consumer loan company license, or any other license issued by the Department, under any name, Respondent shall be required to meet any and all application and licensure requirements in effect at that time. It is further AGREED that Respondent shall comply with all of the statutory provisions and rules promulgated under the Act or Consumer Loan Act then existing and as amended. The conduct and allegations serving as the basis for the

23

24

issuance of the Statement of Charges and Consent Order in this matter will not be used in the assessment of any future applications.

G. Restitution. It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay restitution totaling \$44,673.46 to those consumers and in those amounts specifically set forth in Appendix A. Prior to the entry of this Consent Order, the total restitution amount shall be deposited into the trust account of an escrow company licensed by the Department for distribution to the specified consumers. Respondent will provide the Department with the identity of the escrow company and will provide proof to the Department that the funds have been deposited, both prior to entry of this Consent Order. Such proof shall consist of a copy of a cashier's check in the amount of \$44,673.46 made payable to the escrow company's trust account and a written confirmation from the Designated Escrow Officer that the funds have been deposited. Following deposit of these funds, Respondent or any of its officers or owners will not be permitted to receive any portion of the funds. Respondent will instruct the escrow company to mail restitution checks to the specified consumers within 15 days after entry of this Consent Order. In the event that any consumer(s) cannot be located or restitution checks are not cashed within 60 days of issuance, Respondent will instruct the escrow company to submit those funds to the Washington State Department of Revenue (Department of Revenue) within 120 days of entry of this Consent Order as unclaimed property on behalf of the specified consumers, subject to the rules and regulations of the Unclaimed Property Section of the Department of Revenue. Respondent will bear the cost of all related expenses such as escrow company fees, costs of mailing, and stop payment fees on outstanding checks that are not returned or cashed. Within 130 days after entry of this Consent Order, Respondent will provide the Department with written proof of all payments in the form of copies of the front and back of each cancelled check, a copy of all unclaimed property reports submitted to the Department of Revenue, and confirmation from the

escrow company that all funds have been distributed as instructed and that the escrow account balance is zero.

- H. Rights of Consumers. It is AGREED that this Consent Order shall not release, waive, or in any way affect any legal rights that any consumers may have concerning Respondent.
- I. Fine. It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay to the Department a fine of \$38,500 in the form of a cashier's check payable to the "Washington State Treasurer" upon entry of this Consent Order.
- J. Investigation Fees. It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay to the Department an investigation fee of \$18,000 in the form of a cashier's check payable to the "Washington State Treasurer" upon entry of this Consent Order. The Fine and Investigation Fee may be paid together in one \$56,500 cashier's check payable to the "Washington State Treasurer."
- K. Records Retention. It is AGREED that Respondent shall maintain records in compliance with the Act and within 130 days of entry of this Consent Order provide the Director with the location of the books, records and other information relating to Respondent's mortgage broker business, and the name, address and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.
- L. Authority to Execute Order. It is AGREED that the undersigned have represented and warranted that they have the full power and right to execute this Consent Order on behalf of Respondent.
- M. Non-Compliance with Order. It is AGREED that Respondent 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 may be responsible to reimburse the Director for the cost incurred in pursuing such action, including but not limited to, attorney fees.

24 ||

(360) 902,8703

	THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS 18th DAY OF May, 2011.
1	THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS 18 DAY OF 17 LUG , 2011.
2	Debal Bala
3	DEBORAH BORTNER
4	Director Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions
5	Department of Financial Institutions
6	Presented by:
7	Athony W. Carto
8	ANTHONY W. CARTER Series Enforcement Attempts
9	Senior Enforcement Attorney
10	Approved by:
11	Am Brunolberts
12	JAMES R. BRUSSELBACK Enforcement Chief
13	
14	
15	
16	
17	
18	
19	
20	

# APPENDIX A - RESTITUTION LIST

Borrower	Refund
KB	\$2,906.65
BB	\$3,270.00
VC	\$1,287.06
JC	\$4,064.97
RD	\$2,056.66
LG	\$1,539.00
MJ	\$1,035.58
TK	\$1,811.78
JL	\$975.00
ML	\$1,171.31
SM	\$807.50
LM	\$1,450.00
GM	\$2,475.90
MM	\$2,232.50
YP	\$3,627.90
DS	\$3,420.00
JS .	\$1,752.00
MT-S	\$3,205.89
AVD	\$1,254.00
CW	\$1,193.26
KW	\$3,136.50
TOTAL:	\$44,673.46

## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

2

1

3

4

5

6 7

8

9

10

10

11

12 13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING

Whether there has been a violation of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:

WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., d/b/a GUARANTY MORTGAGE GROUP, LLC, KEVIN A. KEADLE, 50% Owner, President, and Designated Broker, and CHRIS A. KEADLE, 50% Owner and Vice-President, CHRIS STUDIOSO, Loan Originator, BRIAN SODORFF, Loan Originator, EMILY CADY, Loan Originator, and DAN GORMAN, Loan Originator.

Respondents.

NO. C-09-513-10-SC01

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

#### 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)<sup>1</sup>. After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 19.146.235, and based upon the facts available as of this Statement of Charges, the Director, through his designee, Division of Consumer Services Director Deborah Bortner, institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:

#### I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

### 1.1 Respondents.

A. Washington Financial Group, Inc. d/b/a Guaranty Mortgage Group, LLC, (Respondent Washington Financial) was licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington

(Department) to conduct business as a mortgage broker on or about January 7, 2003, and has continued to be

licensed to date. Respondent Washington Financial is licensed to conduct the business of a mortgage broker at

1

1000 Dexter Ave. N., Suite 210, Seattle, Washington.

1 RCW 19.146 (2006)

STATEMENT OF CHARGES C-09-513-10-SC01 WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., KEVIN A. KEADLE, CHRIS A. KEADLE, CHRIS STUDIOSO, BRIAN SODORFF, EMILY CADY, and DAN GORMAN DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Division of Consumer Services
150 Israel Rd SW
PO Box 41200
Olympia, WA 98504-1200
(360) 902-8703

21

22

23

24

B.	Kevin A. Keadle (Respondent K. Keadle) is an owner, President and Designated Broker of
Respondent V	Vashington Financial. Respondent K. Keadle was named Designated Broker of Respondent
Washington F	inancial on or about January 7, 2003, and has continued as Designated Broker to date. The
Department is	sued Respondent Keadle a loan originator license on or about November 15, 2006, which he
continues to m	naintain

- C. Chris A. Keadle (Respondent C. Keadle) is an owner and Vice-President of Respondent Washington Financial. The Department issued Respondent C. Keadle a loan originator license on or about February 2, 2007, which he continues to maintain.
- D. Chris Studioso (Respondent Studioso) worked for Respondent Washington Financial at all times relevant to this Statement of Charges. The Department issued Respondent Studioso a loan originator license on or about April 11, 2007, which he continues to maintain.
- E. Brian Sodorff (Respondent Sodorff) worked for Respondent Washington Financial at all times relevant to this Statement of Charges. The Department issued Respondent Sodorff a loan originator license on or about July 16, 2007, which he continues to maintain.
- F. Emily Cady (Respondent Cady) worked for Respondent Washington Financial at all times relevant to this Statement of Charges. The Department issued Respondent Cady a loan originator license on or about June 5, 2007, which she continues to maintain.
- G. Dan Gorman (Respondent Gorman) worked for Respondent Washington Financial at all times relevant to this Statement of Charges. The Department issued Respondent Gorman a loan originator license on or about June 5, 2007, which he continues to maintain.
- 1.2 Examination. On or about November 2, 2009, the Department conducted an examination of the records of Respondent Washington Financial. The Department's examination covered a time frame from September 1, 2007, through September 31, 2009, and included the review of at least 134 loan files that were taken from a sample of customer files that were representative of Respondent Washington Financial's portfolio. As a result of the examination, the Department discovered violations of the Act as outlined below.

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

- 1.3 Failure to Display Loan Originator's License Number. Respondent Washington Financial did not include the loan originator's license number on at least 25 residential mortgage applications.
- 1.4 Failure to Specify Fees Benefiting the Company. Respondent Washington Financial did not specify on the Good Faith Estimate (GFE) to at least 40 borrowers that Respondent Washington Financial was charging a processing fee, document preparation fee, loan origination fee, underwriting fee or administration fee.
- 1.5 Failure to Deliver Variable Rate Program Disclosures. Respondent Washington Financial did not provide a loan program disclosure identifying the terms of a variable rate mortgage to at least 10 borrowers. The required disclosure must contain the circumstances under which the rate may increase, any limitations on the increase, the effects of the increase, and an example of payment terms resulting from an increase as well as the specific index used for the interest rate.
- 1.6 Failure to Deliver Rate Lock Disclosures. Respondent Washington Financial did not deliver a rate-lock disclosure within three-business days of receiving an application from at least 3 borrowers. The rate-lock disclosure indicates whether or not the borrower has chosen to lock the interest rate. In the event the loan is not locked, the disclosure also informs the borrower that the disclosed interest rates and terms are subject to change.
- 1.7 Failure to Correctly Disclose the Yield Spread Premium (YSP). Respondent Washington Financial did not correctly disclose the YSP to at least 40 borrowers on GFEs when it did not describe the fee as "yield spread premium," did not list the YSP in the 800 series of lines on the GFE, and did not disclose the YSP as a dollar amount or dollar range. This is a repeat violation from an examination conducted by the Department in August 2007 of Respondent Washington Financial and was cited in the Report of Examination issued January 31, 2008.
- 1.8 Charging Unearned Fees. In at least 21 transactions, the Respondent Washington Financial charged both a mortgage broker fee and a loan origination fee (LOF) on the same transaction for the same borrower. The company cannot charge both a LOF and a mortgage broker fee in the same transaction. In addition, Regulation X, 24 CFR, Part 3500, Appendix A, Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act (RESPA), states that line 801 of the HUD-1 is used to record the fees charged by the lender for processing or originating the loan. The

3	Borrower	Application	Settlement	Loan Origination	Mortgage Broker	Broker	Refund
		Date	Date	Fee	Fee	Credit	
4	K.B.	02/29/08	03/31/08	\$3,050.00	\$3,095.75	\$143.35	\$ 2,906.65
	B.B.	01/02/08	02/25/09	\$3,270.00	\$3,327.22		\$ 3,270.00
5	V.C.	07/20/07	10/22/07	\$2,475.00	\$1,287.06		\$ 1,287.06
	J.P.C	03/18/08	05/02/08	\$1,576.01	\$1,599.65	\$400.00	\$ 1,176.01
6	R.D.	02/12/09	05/27/09	\$2,056.66	\$3,348.23		\$ 2,056.66
7	L.G.	09/04/08	09/30/08	\$3,040.00	\$1,539.00		\$ 1,539.00
′	M.J.	05/22/08	07/24/08	\$2,493.75	\$1,265.58	\$230.00	\$ 1,035.58
8	T.K.	02/20/08	03/17/08	\$3,570.00	\$1,811.78		\$ 1,811.78
	J.L.	06/11/08	08/21/08	\$5,577.00	\$ 975.00		\$ 975.00
9	M.L.	04/24/08	07/23/08	\$2,308.00	\$1,171.31		\$ 1,171.31
	S.M.	11/28/08	01/23/09	\$ 807.50	\$1,643.26		\$ 807.50
10	L.M.	10/27/08	12/30/08	\$1,450.00	\$1,475.37		\$ 1,450.00
	G.M.	11/06/07	02/27/08	\$3,620.00	\$2,475.90		\$ 2,475.90
11	M.M.	10/29/08	11/21/08	\$2,232.50	\$2,232.50		\$ 2,232.50
12	Y.P.	03/03/08	01/21/09	\$3,627.90	\$3,627.90		\$ 3,627.90
12	D.S.	05/21/08	07/28/08	\$3,420.00	\$3,471.30		\$ 3,420.00
13	J.S.	01/29/08	03/27/09	\$1,752.00	\$1,782.66		\$ 1,752.00
13	M.T-S	11/05/08	12/15/08	\$3,430.00	\$3,205.89		\$ 3,205.89
14	A.V.D.	12/05/08	03/20/09	\$1,254.00	\$1,275.94		\$ 1,254.00
	C.W.	06/06/08	08/11/08	\$2,137.50	\$1,193.26		\$ 1,193.26
15	K.W.	11/19/08	12/31/08	\$3,136.50	\$3191.38		\$ 3,136.50
	Total						\$41,784.50

1.9 Failure to Provide an Accurate Truth-In-Lending Disclosure. Respondent Washington Financial delivered incomplete and inaccurate TIL disclosures to at least 6 borrowers when they did not mark the boxes identifying a variable rate feature or did not complete the bottom section of the TIL disclosure identifying the existence of a prepayment penalty, security interest, assumption policy, and late payment fee.

1.10 Failure to Provide Written Explanation for an Increase in Fees. Respondent Washington Financial did not provide a written explanation for an increase in its fees to at least the borrower listed below. Although the company provided a subsequent GFE disclosing the fee increase, the Act requires a clear written explanation stating the reason why fees benefiting the company increased. Both the subsequent GFE and written explanation are required no less than three business days prior to the signing of the loan closing

1

2

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

documents. The following borrower did not receive a written explanation for an increase in the company's fees within 3-days prior to the signing of closing documents:

Borrower	Fees Initial GFE	Fees Final GFE/HUD	Reason For Increase	Refund Due
K.B.	\$ 495.00	\$27,069.12	Mortgage Broker Fee not	\$26,574.12
			disclosed on initial GFE	

- 1.11 Failure to Deliver the One-Page Disclosure Summary. Respondent Washington Financial did not demonstrate that at least 3 borrowers received the mandatory one-page disclosure summary identifying certain material aspects of residential mortgage loans within three business days following the receipt of a loan application.
- 1.12 Failure to Deposit Third-Party Fees into a Trust Account. Respondent Washington Financial received checks from escrow that included at least 3 borrowers' payments for third-party Flood Certification fees and subsequently deposited the funds into its general account. Respondent Washington Financial does not maintain or operate a trust account. Although the company paid the fee to the third party, the Act states that all funds received by the company for payments of third-party provider services are considered trust funds and thus must be deposited into a trust account.
- 1.13 Failure to Include License Name or Number with a Trade Name. On all disclosures given to at least 11 borrowers, Respondent Washington Financial identified itself under one of its trade names (Guaranty Mortgage Group, LLC), but did not identify it was connected with the company Washington Financial Group, Inc.
- 1.14 Occupancy Fraud. Respondent Washington Financial, and the loan originators named below, employed a scheme to mislead or defraud mortgage lenders by simultaneously completing a refinance and a purchase transaction on different properties while identifying both properties as owner-occupied. The scheme also involved simultaneously completing two refinance transactions while identifying both properties as owner-occupied. The purchase and refinance transactions involved these characteristics: Separate mortgage lenders on the refinance and purchase transactions, residential loan applications (1003) for the purchase transactions signed by the borrowers before the refinances' settlement date, refinanced property shown as a rental on the purchase

I	1003,	all loans closed as own	er-occupi	ed. The scheme was disc	covered by examiners wh	no compared mortgage	
2	applica	ations, purchase and sa	le agreem	nents, appraisals, and other	er documentation. The se	cheme was employed on	
3	at least the following five borrowers:						
4	A.	Borrower: N.C.					
5		Program Type: Property Address:		Out Refinance Lynnwood, WA 98036			
6		Lender: Occupancy:	Wash	ington Financial Group der Occupied	/b/a Guaranty Mortgage	Group LLC	
7		Refinance	Owne	a Occupied			
8		Originator	Lien 1 <sup>st</sup>	Cash-Out Amount	Application Date 07/30/08	Settlement Date 09/02/08	
9		Studioso, Chris		\$79,254.85	07/30/08	09/02/08	
10		Program Type: Property Address:		Lynnwood, WA 98037			
11		Lender: Occupancy:		fe Home Loans r Occupied			
12		Purchase	T = .				
13		Originator Studioso, Chris	Lien 1 <sup>st</sup>	Down Payment   \$81,216.94	Application Date 07/30/08	Settlement Date 09/17/08	
14	B.	Borrower: S.B.	_				
15		Program Type:		Out Refinance	2002		
16		Property Address: Lender:	Flags	Edmonds, Washington Star Bank	98026		
17		Occupancy:	Owne	er Occupied		·	
18		Refinance Originator	Lien	Cash-Out Amount	Application Date	Settlement Date	
19		Sodorff, Brian	1 st	\$125,849.23	03/19/08	4/18/08	
20		Program Type: Property Address:	Purch 2341	ase Brier, Washington 98036			
21		Lender: Occupancy:	Citi M	Mortgage Inc.			
22		Purchase		^			
23		Originator Sodorff, Brian	Lien 1 <sup>st</sup>	Down Payment \$116,498.56	Application Date 03/19/08	Settlement Date 05/27/08	
24		Jodonn, Brian		\$110,770.70	03/15/00	1 00/2//00_	

## C. Borrower: J.C.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

Program Type:

Cash-Out Refinance

Property Address:

12430 Kent, WA 98030

Lender:

Network Mortgage Services, Inc

Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Refinance

Originator	Lien	Cash-Out Amount	Application Date	Settlement Date
Dallum, Irene	1 st	\$25,280.90	03/10/08	04/01/08

Program Type:

Purchase

Property Address:

913 Tacoma, WA 98405 MSB Mortgage Company

Lender: Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Purchase

Originator	Lien	Down Payment	Application Date	Settlement Date
Dallum, Irene	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$12,663.83	03/11/08	05/02/08

#### D. Borrower: M.R.

Program Type:

Cash-Out Refinance

Property Address:

1309 Renton, WA 98056

Lender:

US Bank

Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Refinance

Originator	Lien	Cash-Out Amount	Application Date	Settlement Date
Cady, Emily	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$228,701.01	03/14/08	04/28/08

Program Type:

Purchase

Property Address:

440 Issaquah, WA 98027

Lender:

ING Bank

Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Purchase

Originator	Lien	Down Payment	Application Date	Settlement Date
Cady, Emily	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$138,941.96	03/14/08	05/02/08

| //

23

24

25

<sup>1</sup> Statement of Charges C-08-159-10-SC02 has been issued against Irene Dallum for this conduct.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES C-09-513-10-SC01 WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., KEVIN A. KEADLE, CHRIS A. KEADLE, CHRIS STUDIOSO, BRIAN SODORFF, EMILY CADY, and DAN GORMAN DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
Division of Consumer Services
150 Israel Rd SW
PO Box 41200
Olympia, WA 98504-1200
(360) 902-8703

#### E. Borrower: D.W.

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25

Program Type:

Cash-Out Refinance

Property Address:

4034 Seattle, WA 98199

Lender:

CitiMortgage, Inc

Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Refinance

Originator	Lien	Cash-Out Amount	Application Date	Settlement Date
Gorman, Dan	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$182,603.00	05/28/08	07/08/08

Program Type:

Purchase

Property Address:

803 Tacoma, WA 98405

Lender:

HSBC Mortgage Corp

Occupancy:

Owner Occupied

#### Purchase

Originator	Lien	Down Payment	Application Date	Settlement Date
Gorman, Dan	1 <sup>st</sup>	\$67,100.00	05/29/08	07/18/08

1.15 Income Misrepresentation. Respondents Washington Financial and Studioso engaged in a scheme of inflating a borrower's income in order to obtain a loan commitment from a lender. The scheme involved these characteristics:

- Two loans completed on two different properties: A cash-out refinance and a purchase
- Refinance completed as a "fully documented loan"
- Purchase completed as a "stated income" loan
- Both loans originated simultaneously
- Borrowers could not qualify for purchase with actual income

The examiners discovered the scheme from the borrower's fully documented refinance, which contained the borrower's W2s and paystubs. Respondents Washington Financial and Studioso inflated income on at least the following borrower:

Borrower	Originator	Actual Monthly Income from Pay Stub	Monthly Income Listed on Purchase
N.B.	Studioso, Chris	\$ 6,666.67	\$ 8,300.00

#### 1.16 Failure to Conspicuously Disclose Required Information in an Advertisement. Respondents

Washington Financial, K. Keadle, and C. Keadle produced at least 3 print advertisements using borrower's current loan information. Respondents Washington Financial, K. Keadle, and C. Keadle disclosed the source of

STATEMENT OF CHARGES C-09-513-10-SC01 WASHINGTON FINANCIAL GROUP, INC., KEVIN A. KEADLE, CHRIS A. KEADLE, CHRIS STUDIOSO, BRIAN SODORFF, EMILY CADY, and DAN GORMAN DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS Division of Consumer Services 150 Israel Rd SW PO Box 41200 Olympia, WA 98504-1200 (360) 902-8703

1	the information but did not do so in the same size and type of font in the remainder of the advertisement. They		
2	also disclosed that it is not affiliated with the borrower's lender but not in the same size and type of fonts in the		
3	remainder of the advertisement.		
4	1.17 Advertising Variable Interest Rates. Respondents Washington Financial, K. Keadle, and C. Keadle		
5	produced print advertisements for adjustable rate mortgages that did not clearly state that the rate is subject to		
6	change after consummation and the limited term to which the initial rates apply. Although the advertisements		
7	contain the phrase "5/1 ARM", this phrase neither indicates that the rate could change nor gives a clear		
8	indication of the limited term as required by Regulation Z.		
9	1.18 Disclosing Additional Credit Terms in Advertisements. Respondents Washington Financial, K.		
10	Keadle, and C. Keadle did not disclose the terms of repayment and down payment amounts in print		
11	advertisements. The advertisements disclosed a payment amount but did not disclose the terms of repayment or		
12	down payment amount.		
13	1.19 Suggesting Association with Government Agencies. Respondents Washington Financial, K. Keadle,		
14	and C. Keadle produced print advertisements that represents it was affiliated with the government. In the		
15	advertisement it states: "Ask For a Government Loan Advisor." The statement represents and implies that		
16	Respondent Washington Financial has a government loan advisor working for it. The Act strictly prohibits		
17	advertisements that suggest affiliations with state or federal agencies when no such affiliations exist.		
18	1.20 Prohibited Advertising. Respondents Washington Financial, K. Keadle, and C. Keadle produced print		
19	advertisements, which stated: "Your Credit Status Does not Matter as Long as Your Mortgage Payments Have		
20	Been Made on Time." At least one borrower who received this advertisement applied for a loan and was denied		
21	due to the applicant's low credit score per the lender's underwriting guidelines.		
22	1.21 Failure to Disclose the Yield Spread Premium on the GFE. Respondent Washington Financial did		
23	not disclose the YSP on the GFE as required by Regulation X, part 3500, Appendix B, Illustrations of		
24	Requirements of RESPA, fact situation 13. Further, RESPA, section 3500.7(c) requires disclosure of all		
- 1			

12

13

14 15

16

17 18

19

20

21 22

23

2425

charges that a borrower can expect to pay upon settlement. At least the following borrower received a GFE that did not disclose the YSP:

Borrower	Application Date	Settlement Date	YSP Amount
J.P.C.	03/18/08	05/02/08	\$ 2,888.96

1.22 Failure to Provide Home Equity Line of Credit Disclosure. Respondent Washington Financial did not provide evidence that a borrower received the initial home equity line of credit disclosure as required by Regulation Z, 12 CFR, Section 226.5b at the time of application.

1.23 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 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), (6), (7), (12), and (15) and Regulation Z, 12 C.F.R., Section 226.18(f)(2)(i), (k), (l), (m), and (q) for directly or indirectly employing a scheme, device or artifice to defraud or mislead borrowers or lenders or any person, engaging in an unfair or deceptive practice toward any person, obtaining property by fraud or misrepresentation, failing to make disclosures to loan applicants and noninstitutional investors as required by RCW 19.146.030 and any other applicable state or federal law, making, in any manner, any false or deceptive statement or representation with regard to the rates, points, or other financing terms or conditions for a residential mortgage loan or engaging in bait and switch advertising, collecting, charging, attempting to collect or charge or using or proposing any agreement purporting to collect or charge any fee prohibited by RCW 19.146.030 or RCW 19.146.070, failing to comply with any provision of RCW 19.146.030 through 19.146.080 or any rule adopted under those sections, and for failing to disclose a variable rate, prepayment penalty, late penalty, security interest or assumption policy.

2.2 Requirement to Display Loan Originator's License. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of WAC 208-660-350(26) for failing to include the loan

2.7 Requirement to Provide a One-Page Disclosure Summary. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.144.020(1) and (2) for failing to provide borrowers with a disclosure summary of all material loan terms on a separate sheet of paper as required by the Department, within three business days following receipt of a loan application.

11

22

23

24

2.8 Prohibited Fees. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in
apparent violation of RCW 19.146.030(4) for charging fees inuring to the benefit of a mortgage broker in
excess of the fees disclosed on the initial written disclosures where the fees were reasonably foreseeable by the
mortgage broker at the time the initial written disclosures were provided to borrowers, and/or where the
mortgage broker failed to provide the borrowers, no less than three business days prior to the signing of the loan
closing documents, a clear written explanation of the fees and the reason for charging fees exceeding those
which were previously disclosed.

- Requirement to Maintain Funds From Borrower for Payment of Third-Party Providers in Trust.

  Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW

  19.146.050(1) and WAC 208-660-410(3) for failing to deposit funds received from a borrower or on behalf of a borrower for payment of third-party provider services in a trust account of a federally insured financial institution located in this state, prior to the end of the third business day following receipt of such monies, and for commingling operating funds with trust account funds.
- 2.10 Requirement to Conspicuously Disclose Required Information in Advertisements. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of WAC 208-660-440(10) for failing to disclose the name of the source of the information contained in the advertisement, a statement that Respondent is not affiliated with the borrower's lender, and disclosing the information in the same size type font as the rest of the information in the advertisement.
- 2.11 Requirement to Include License Name or License Number with a Trade Name. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of WAC 208-660-195(14) for failing to identify a branch office trade name with the Respondent's licensed name or failing to use the branch office trade name with the branch license number.
- 2.12 Suggested Association with Government Agencies. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of WAC 208-660-440(9) for soliciting or using

8

9

1011

12

13

14

15

16

17

18

19 20

21

22

23

24

25

advertising that suggests or represents they are affiliated with a state or federal agency, municipality, federally insured financial institution, trust company, or a building or loan association when they are not.

#### III. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS

- **3.1** Authority to Revoke License. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2), the Director may revoke a license for false statements or omission of material information on the application that, if known, would have allowed the director to deny the application for the original license, failure to pay a fee required by the Director or maintain the required bond, failure to comply with any directive or order of the Director, any violation of the Act.
- 3.2 Authority to Prohibit from the Industry. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(5), the Director may issue orders removing from office or prohibiting from participation in the conduct of the affairs of a licensed mortgage broker, or both, any officer, principal, employee, or loan originator of any licensed mortgage broker or any person subject to licensing under the Act for any violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1) through (9) or (13), RCW 19.146.030 through RCW 19.146.080, RCW 19.146.200, RCW 19.146.205(4), or RCW 19.146.265, false statements or omission of material information on the application that, if known, would have allowed the Director to deny the application for the original license, conviction of a gross misdemeanor involving dishonesty or financial misconduct or a felony after obtaining a license, or failure to comply with a directive or order of the Director.
- **3.3 Authority to Impose Fine.** Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2), the Director may impose fines on a licensee, employee or loan originator of the licensee, or other person subject to the Act for any violations of RCW 19.146.0201(1) through (9) or (13), RCW 19.146.030 through RCW 19.146.080, RCW 19.146.200, RCW 19.146.205(4), or RCW 19.146.265, or failure to comply with a directive or order of the Director.
- **3.4** Authority to Order Restitution. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2), the Director may issue orders directing a licensee, its employee or loan originator, or other person subject to the Act to pay restitution for any violation of the Act.
- 3.5 Authority to Collect Examination and Investigation Fees. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.228(2), .235, and WAC 208-660-550, upon completion of any investigation of the books and records of a licensee or other person

1	4.13	Respondent Emily Cady be prohibited from participation in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker subject to licensure by the Director, in any manner, for a period of 5 years;
2	4.14	Respondent Emily Cady pay a fine, which as of the date of these charges is \$1,000;
3	4.15	Respondent Dan Gorman's license to conduct the business of a loan originator be revoked;
5	4.16	Respondent Dan Gorman be prohibited from participation in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker subject to licensure by the Director, in any manner, for a period of 5 years;
6	4.17	Respondent Dan Gorman pay a fine, which as of the date of these charges is \$1,000;
7 8	4.18	Respondents Washington Financial Group, Inc, Kevin A. Keadle, and Chris A. Keadle jointly and severally pay restitution in at least the amount of \$71,247.58, to the borrowers outlined in Paragraphs 1.8, 1.10, and 1.21, and any additional restitution that may be determined at hearing;
9	4.19	Respondents Washington Financial Group, Inc, Kevin A. Keadle, and Chris A. Keadle jointly and severally pay an examination fee in the amount of \$4,821.40, plus accrued interest;
10	4.20	Respondents Washington Financial Group, Inc, Kevin A. Keadle, and Chris A. Keadle jointly and severally pay an investigation fee, which as of the date of these charges is \$2,160 calculated at \$48 per hour for the 45 staff hours devoted to the investigation;
12 13 14	4.21	Respondents Washington Financial Group, Inc, Kevin A. Keadle, and Chris A. Keadle maintain records in compliance with the Act and provide the Department with the location of the books, records and other information relating to Respondent Washington Financial Group, Inc's mortgage broker business, and the name, address and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.
15		
16	//	
17	//	
18	//	
19	//	
20	//	
21	//	
22	//	
23	//	
24	//	
25	//	

#### V. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE

DEBORAH BORTNER

Director, Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions

Presented by:

WILLIAM HALSTEAD Financial Legal Examiner

Approved by:

JAMES R. BRUSSELBACK

Enforcement Chief

17

1

2

3

4

5

6

7

8

9

10

11

12

13

14

15

16

18

19

20

21

22

23

24

25