ORDER SUMMARY – Case Number: C-12-0973

Name(s):	Philip J Danielson; Philip Danielson, LLC d/b/a Danielson Law Group, LLC and DLG Legal				
Order Number:	C-12-0973-13-FO01				
Effective Date:	July 3, 2013				
License Number: Or NMLS Identifier [U/L] License Effect:	N/A – NMLS ID: Danielson 1095744 Company: 1095781 (Revoked, suspended, stayed, application denied or withdrawn) If applicable, you must specifically note the ending dates of terms. None				
Not Apply Until:	N/A				
Not Eligible Until:	N/A				
Prohibition/Ban Until :	Five years from date of entry of FO				
Investigation Costs:	\$528	Due: 30 days	Paid: Y N Date:		
Fine:	\$ 6,000	Due: 30 days	Paid: Y X N Date:		
Assessment(s): N/A	\$	Due:	Paid: Y N Date:		
Restitution:	\$7,883	Due: 30 days	Paid: Y X N Date:		
Judgment: N/A	\$	Due:	Paid: Y N Date:		
Satisfaction of Judgment F No	`iled? N/A . of Victims:	<u>Y</u> N 2			
Comments:					

1	STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS						
2	DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES						
3	IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING Whether there has been a violation of the	No. C-12-0973-13-FO01					
4	Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:	FINAL ORDER					
5	PHILIP J. DANIELSON, Founder and Owner, PHILIP DANIELSON, LLC, d/b/a DANIELSON						
6	LAW GROUP, LLC, and DLG LEGAL,						
7	Respondents.						
8	I. DIRECTOR'S CONSIDERATION						
9	A. <u>Default</u> . This matter has come before the Director of the Department of Financial						
10	Institutions of the State of Washington (Director), through his designee, Consumer Services Division						
11	Director Deborah Bortner (Director's designee), pursuant to RCW 34.05.440(1). On March 28,						
12	2013, the Director, through the Director's designee, issued a Statement of Charges and Notice of						
13	Intention to Enter an Order to Cease and Desist Business, Prohibit From Industry, Order Restitution,						
14	Impose Fine, and Collect Investigation Fee (Statement of Charges) against Philip J. Danielson,						
15	Philip Danielson, LLC d/b/a Danielson Law Group, LLC, and DLG Legal (Respondents). A copy of						
16	the Statement of Charges is attached and incorporated into this order by this reference.						
17	B. On March 28, 2013, the Department of Financial Institutions (Department) served						
18	Respondents by First-Class mail with the Statement of Charges accompanied by cover letters dated						
19	March 28, 2013, Notices of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and blank						
20	Applications for Adjudicative Hearing for Respondents. The documents sent by First-Class mail						
21	were not returned to the Department by the United States Postal Service.						
22	C. Respondents did not request an adjudicative hearing within twenty calendar days after the						
23	Department served the Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, as provided						
24	for in WAC 208-08-050(2).						
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1	D. <u>Record Presented</u> . The record presented to the Director's designee for her review and for				
2	entry of a final decision included the Statement of Charges, cover letters dated March 28, 2013,				
3	Notices of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, and blank Applications for				
4	Adjudicative Hearing for Respondents, with documentation for service.				
5	E. <u>Factual Findings and Grounds for Order</u> . Pursuant to RCW 34.05.440(1), the				
6	Director's designee hereby adopts the Statement of Charges, which is attached hereto.				
7	II. <u>FINAL ORDER</u>				
8	Based upon the foregoing, and the Director's designee having considered the record and being				
9	otherwise fully advised, NOW, THEREFORE:				
10	A. <u>IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, That:</u>				
11	1. Respondent Philip J. Danielson immediately cease and desist engaging in the business of a loan originator.				
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13	 Respondent Philip Danielson, LLC d/b/a Danielson Law Group, LLC, and DLG Legal immediately cease and desist engaging in the business of a mortgage broker. 				
14 15	3. Respondents are 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 five years.				
16 17	 Respondents shall pay, jointly and severally, restitution of \$7,883 to the consumer identified by the Department in paragraph 1.2 of the Statement of Charges. 				
17	5. Respondents shall pay, jointly and severally, a fine of \$6,000.				
18	6. Respondents shall pay, jointly and severally, an investigation fee of \$528. The combined fine and investigation fee may be paid together in the form of a cashier's check in the amount of \$6,528 made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer."				
20	7. Respondent Philip Danielson, LLC d/b/a Danielson Law Group, LLC, and DLG Legal,				
21	and its officers, employees, and agents maintain records in compliance with chapter 19.146 RCW, the Mortgage Broker Practices Act (Act), and provide the Director with the				
22	location of the books, records and other information relating to Respondent's provision of residential mortgage loan modification services in Washington, and the name, address				
23	and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.				
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B. <u>Reconsideration</u>. Pursuant to RCW 34.05.470, Respondents have 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.

8 C. <u>Denial of Petition</u>. A timely Petition for Reconsideration is deemed denied if, within twenty
9 (20) days from the date the petition is filed, the agency does not (a) dispose of the petition or (b)
10 serve the parties with a written notice specifying the date by which it will act on a petition.

D. <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.

E. <u>Judicial Review</u>. Respondents have 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.

F. <u>Non-compliance with Order</u>. If you do not comply with the terms of this Final Order,
including payment of any amounts owed within 30 days of receipt of this Final Order, the
Department may seek its enforcement by the Office of the Attorney General to include the collection
of the restitution, fines, and investigation fees imposed herein. The Department also may assign the
amounts owed to a collection agency for collection.

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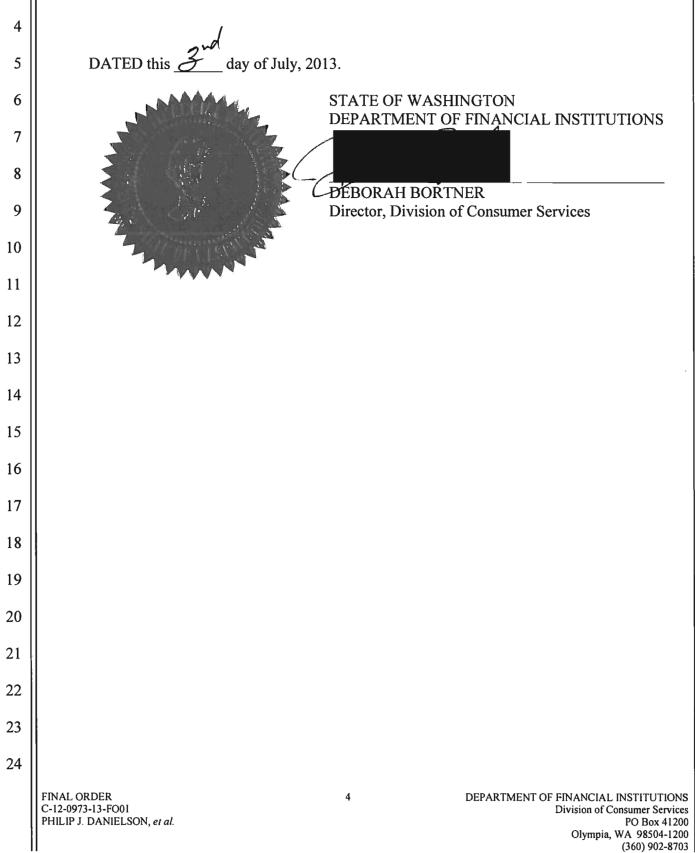
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G. <u>Service</u>. For purposes of filing a Petition for Reconsideration or a Petition for Judicial Review, service is effective upon deposit of this order in the U.S. mail, declaration of service attached hereto.

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1 2	STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES					
3	IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING	No. C-12-0973-13-SC01				
4	Whether there has been a violation of the Mortgage Broker Practices Act of Washington by:	STATEMENT OF CHARGES and				
5	PHILIP J. DANIELSON, Founder and Owner,	NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER AN ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST				
6	PHILIP DANIELSON, LLC, d/b/a DANIELSON LAW GROUP, LLC, and DLG LEGAL,	BUSINESS, PROHIBIT FROM INDUSTRY, ORDER RESTITUTION, IMPOSE FINE, AND COLLECT INVESTIGATION FEE				
7	Respondents.					
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9	INTRODUCTION					
10	Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220 and RCW 19.146.223, the Director of the Department of Financial					
11	Institutions of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter					
12	19.146 RCW, the Mortgage Broker Practices (Act). After having conducted an investigation					
13	pursuant to RCW 19.146.235, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Statement of					
14	Charges, the Director, through his designee, Division of Consumer Services Director Deborah					
15	Bortner, institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:					
16	I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS					
17	1.1 Respondents.					
18	A. Philip J. Danielson (Respondent Danielson) is the founder and owner of Respondent					
19	Philip Danielson, LLC. Respondent Danielson is licensed by the Utah State Bar Association,					
20	member number 08639. During the relevant time period, Respondent Danielson was not licensed by					
21	the Washington State Bar Association to provide legal services in Washington State, and has never					
22	been licensed by the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department) to					
23	conduct business as a mortgage broker or loan originator in Washington.					
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B. Philip Danielson, LLC (Respondent DLG) is an active Utah limited liability company doing business as both Danielson Law Group, LLC and DLG Legal, which is also known as DLG Legal, PC. Respondent DLG, under any name or d/b/a, has never been licensed by the Department to conduct business as a mortgage broker or loan originator in Washington.

1.2 Unlicensed Activity. Between at least February 15, 2012, and November 1, 2012, Respondents Danielson and DLG (Respondents) were offering residential mortgage loan modification services to Washington consumers on property located in Washington State. Respondents entered into contractual relationships with at least two Washington consumers to 8 provide those services, and in March and June, 2012, collected advance fees from consumers (\$3,650) for the provision of those services. The Department has received at least 10 (\$4,233) and nine complaints from Washington consumers alleging Respondents offered to provide or provided 12 residential mortgage loan modification services while not licensed by the Department to offer or 13 provide those services.

14 1.3 **Misrepresentations and Omissions.** Respondents represented that they were licensed to provide the residential mortgage loan modification services or omitted disclosing that they were not licensed to provide those services. Respondents' direct mail solicitations offering to provide those 16 services failed to comply with the Act and misrepresented the services Respondents could provide.

1.4 **On-Going Investigation.** The Department's investigation into the alleged violations of the Act by Respondents continues to date.

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II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER

21 2.1 Mortgage Broker Defined. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.010(14) and WAC 208-660-006, 22 "Mortgage Broker" means any person who, for compensation or gain, or in the expectation of 23 compensation or gain (a) assists a person in obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan or (b) holds himself or herself out as being able to make a residential mortgage loan or assist a 24

person in obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan. Pursuant to WAC 208-660-006, 2 a person "assists a person in obtaining or applying to obtain a residential mortgage loan' by, among other things, counseling on loan terms (rates, fees, other costs), [and] preparing loan packages...."

2.2 Loan Originator Defined. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.010(11), "loan originator" means a 4 natural person who for direct or indirect compensation or gain, or in the expectation of direct or 5 indirect compensation or gain: takes a residential mortgage loan application for a mortgage broker; 6 7 offers or negotiates terms of a mortgage loan; or holds themselves out to the public as able to perform 8 any of these activities.

9 2.3 Prohibited Acts. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.0201(2) & (3) for engaging in an unfair or deceptive 10 11 practice toward any person and obtaining property by fraud or misrepresentation.

12 2.4 Requirement to Obtain and Maintain Mortgage Broker License. Based on the Factual 13 Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.200(1) 14 for engaging in the business of a mortgage broker for Washington residents or property without first obtaining a license to do so. 15

16 2.5 Requirement to Obtain and Maintain Loan Originator License. Based on the Factual 17 Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondents are in apparent violation of RCW 19.146.200(1) for engaging in the business of a loan originator without first obtaining and maintaining a license. 18

19 2.6 Requirement to Maintain Accurate and Current Books and Records. Pursuant to RCW 20 19.146.060 and WAC 208-660-450, Respondents are required to keep all books and records in a 21 location that is on file with and readily available to the Department until at least twenty-five months 22 have elapsed following the effective period to which the books and records relate.

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III. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS

3.1 Authority to Issue an Order to Cease and Desist. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(4), the
Director may issue orders directing any person subject to the Act to cease and desist from conducting
business.

3.2 Authority to Prohibit from Industry. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(5), the Director may
issue orders prohibiting from participation in the conduct of the affairs of a licensed mortgage broker
any person subject to licensing under the Act for any violation of RCW 19.146.0201(1) through (9) or
(13), or RCW 19.146.200.

9 3.3 Authority to Order Restitution. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2), the Director may order
10 restitution against any person subject to the Act for any violation of the Act.

3.4 Authority to Impose Fine. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.220(2), the Director may impose fines
against any person subject to the Act for any violation of the Act.

3.5 Authority to Collect Investigation Fee. Pursuant to RCW 19.146.228(2), and WAC 208-

660-550(4)(a), the Department will charge forty-eight dollars per hour for an examiner's time devoted to an investigation of any person subject to the Act.

IV. NOTICE OF INTENT TO ENTER ORDER

Respondents' violations of the provisions of chapter 19.146 RCW and chapter 208-660 WAC, as

set forth above constitute a basis for the entry of an Order under RCW 19.146.220, RCW 19.146.221,

and RCW 19.146.223. Therefore, it is the Director's intent to ORDER that:

- **4.1** Respondents Philip J. Danielson and Philip Danielson LLC immediately cease and desist engaging in the business of a mortgage broker or loan originator.
- **4.2** Respondents Philip J. Danielson and Philip Danielson LLC be prohibited from participation, in any manner, in the conduct of the affairs of any mortgage broker subject to licensure by the Director for a period of five years.
- **4.3** Respondents Philip J. Danielson and Philip Danielson LLC jointly and severally pay restitution to the two consumers identified by the Department in paragraph 1.2 in the amounts

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