## **ORDER SUMMARY – Case Number: C-20-2856**

Name(s):	Mary Mae Financial, LLC				
Order Number:	C 20 2956 2	0.0001			
Order Number:	C-20-2856-20-CO01				
<b>Effective Date</b> :	2/5/2020				
License Number: Or NMLS Identifier	U/L NMLS ID 1997058				
<b>License Effect</b> :	N/A				
Not Apply Until:	N/A				
Not Eligible Until:	N/A				
Prohibition/Ban Until:	N/A				
<b>Investigation Costs</b>	\$ 650	Due	Paid ⊠ Y □ N	Date 2/4/20	
Fine (Partially Stayed)	\$ 5,000 (\$4,000 stayed)	Due	Paid ⊠ Y □ N	Date	
Assessment(s)	\$	Due	Paid Y N	Date	
Restitution	\$	Due	Paid Y N	Date	
Financial Literacy and Education	\$	Due	Paid Y N	Date	
Cost of Prosecution	\$	Due	Paid N	Date	
No. of Victims:					
Comments:					

# STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES No.: C-20-2856-20-CO01

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING Whether there has been a violation of the Consumer Loan Act of Washington by:

MARY MAE FINANCIAL, LLC,

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CONSENT ORDER

Respondent.

COMES NOW the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions (Director), through his designee Lucinda Fazio, Director, Division of Consumer Services, and Mary Mae Financial, LLC (Respondent) by and through its attorney, Haydn Trechsel, and finding that the issues raised in the above-captioned matter may be economically and efficiently settled, agree to the entry of this Consent Order. This Consent Order is entered pursuant to Revised Code of Washington (RCW) 31.04, the Consumer Loan Act (Act), and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, based on the following:

#### FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1.1 Respondent has never obtained a consumer loan license in accordance with the Act from the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department).
- 1.2 From at least July 2014 through August 2016, Respondent made at least four student loans to individuals attending or planning to attend an educational facility in the state of Washington.
- 19 Respondent serviced those loans from at least July 2014 to August 2019.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

2.1 Based on the above Findings of Fact, Respondent violated RCW 31.04.035 by engaging in the business of a consumer loan company in the state of Washington without first obtaining and maintaining a license in accordance with the Act.

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#### AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Department and Respondent have agreed upon a basis for resolution of the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law identified in this Consent Order. Pursuant to RCW 31.04.093(7) and RCW 34.05.060, Respondent and the Department agree to entry of this Consent Order and further agree that the matters alleged herein may be economically and efficiently settled by the entry of this Consent Order. Respondent hereby admits the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law identified in this Consent Order.

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 hereby waives any right it has to a hearing and any and all administrative and judicial review of the issues raised in this matter or the resolution reached herein.
- **C. Cease and Desist.** It is AGREED that Respondent will cease and desist from all violations of the Act, including making or servicing loans without the required license.
- D. Consumer Loan License Required. It is AGREED that Respondent understands that in order to make loans to Washington State residents or to service student education loans, Respondent must obtain a consumer loan license in accordance with the Act or qualify for an exemption from licensing as delineated in the Act. It is FURTHER AGREED that Respondent provided the Department with assurance that Respondent would not accept any new applications for loans until such time as Respondent obtains a license in accordance with the Act.
- **E. Fine** (**Partially Stayed**). It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay a fine to the Department in the amount of \$5,000. It is FURTHER AGREED that Respondent shall pay \$1,000 of the fine in the

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form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer" upon delivery of this Consent Order to the Department, properly dated and signed. It is FURTHER AGREED that, contingent upon Respondent's compliance with this Consent Order, \$4,000 of the fine (the "stayed fine") shall be stayed for three years from the date of this Consent Order unless lifted pursuant to Paragraph F. If the Department does not seek to lift the stay and impose the stayed fine pursuant to Paragraph F, the stayed fine shall expire without further notice or action by the Department. It is FURTHER AGREED that, if Respondent fails to comply with this Consent Order, the Department may lift the stay and impose the \$4,000 fine pursuant to Paragraph F, at which time Respondent shall pay the remainder of the fine in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer."

### **F. Lifting of Stay and Imposition of Stayed Fine.** It is AGREED that:

- If, during the three-year stay, the Department determines that Respondent has not complied with this Consent Order and the Department seeks to lift the stay and impose the stayed fine, the Department will first serve Respondent with a written notice of alleged noncompliance.
- 2. The notice will include:
  - i. A description of the alleged noncompliance;
  - ii. A statement that the Department seeks to lift the stay and impose the stayed fine;
  - iii. Notice that Respondent can contest the notice of alleged noncompliance by either requesting an adjudicative hearing before an administrative law judge (ALJ) from the Office of Administrative Hearings or by submitting a written response to the Department contesting the alleged noncompliance; and

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- iv. Notice that the process for lifting the stay applies only to this Consent Order.
- Respondent has 20 days from the date of service of the notice of alleged noncompliance to submit a written request to the Department for an adjudicative hearing.
- 4. The scope and issues of the adjudicative hearing are limited solely to whether or not Respondent is in violation of the terms of this Consent Order.
- At the conclusion of the adjudicative hearing, the ALJ will issue an initial decision.
   Any party may file a Petition for Review of that initial decision with the Director of the Department.
- 6. DEFAULT. If Respondent does not timely request an adjudicative hearing or submit a written response contesting the notice of alleged noncompliance, the Department may lift the stay and impose the stayed fine without further notice.
- **G. Investigation Fee.** It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay an investigation fee to the Department in the amount of \$650 in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer" upon delivery of this Consent Order to the Department, properly dated and signed.
- **H. Records Retention.** It is AGREED that Respondent, its officers, employees, and agents shall maintain records in compliance with the Act and provide the Director with the location of the books, records and other information relating to Respondent's consumer loan business conducted prior to licensure, and the name, address and telephone number of the individual responsible for maintenance of such records in compliance with the Act.
- I. 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

1	Director. In the event of such legal action, Respondent may be responsible to reimburse the Director			
2	for the cost incurred in pursuing such action, including but not limited to, attorney fees.			
3	J. Voluntarily Entered. It is AGREED that Respondent has voluntarily entered into this			
4	Consent Order, which is effective when signed by the Director's designee.			
5	K. Completely Read, Understood, and Agreed. It is AGREED that Respondent has read this			
6	Consent Order in its entirety and fully understands and agrees to all of the same.			
7	L. Authority to Execute Order. It is AGREED that the undersigned authorized representative			
8	has represented and warranted that he has the full power and right to execute this Consent Order on			
9	behalf of Respondent.			
10	M. Counterparts. This Consent Order may be executed by Respondent in any number of			
11	counterparts, including by facsimile or e-mail of a .pdf or similar file, each of which shall be deemed			
12	to be an original, but all of which, taken together, shall constitute one and the same Consent Order.			
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14	RESPONDENT:			
15	Mary Mae Financial, LLC			
16	By:			
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18	Director of Operations			
19	APPROVED FOR ENTRY:			
20	By:			
21	<u>/s/</u> Haydn M. Trechsel			
22	Attorney for Respondent Williams, Gautier, DeLoach & Kiker, P.A.			
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24	CONSENT ORDER 5 DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS			

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1	THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS 5th DAY OF February, 2020.			
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3		<u>/s/</u>		
4		Lucinda Fazio, Director Division of Consumer Services		
5		Department of Financial Institutions		
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9	DREW STILLMAN Financial Legal Examiner			
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