

STATE OF ILLINOIS
DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF BANKING

IN THE MATTER OF

First Mortgage of America, Inc.
ATTN: Pepi Abad
2823 S. Bristol Street
Santa Ana, CA 92704

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No. 2008-MBR-21-c

ORDER REVOKING LICENSE

The DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION, Division of Banking (the “Department”), having conducted a review of activities conducted by **First Mortgage of America, Inc.**, (the “Licensee”) and having documented violations of the Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 (the “Act”) [205 ILCS 635] and the rules promulgated under the Act (the “Rules”) [38 Ill. Adm. Code 1050], hereby issues this ORDER pursuant to the authority provided under Section 4-(h)(1) of the Act. The Department makes the following:

FINDINGS

1. That First Mortgage of America, Inc. is an Illinois residential mortgage licensee holding license number MB.6759899 (the “License”), and located at 2823 S. Bristol Street, Santa Ana, California 92704;
2. That Licensee has failed to perform one or more of the requirements of the Act and Rules described below:
 - a. Failure of Licensee to maintain Surety Bond & Fidelity Bond (205 ILCS 635/3-1) and (38 Ill Admin. Code 1050.490);
 - b. Failure to pay in timely manner any fee, charge or fine, (205 ILCS 635/4-5)(i)(13));
and
 - c. Failure to timely respond to regulatory request (205 ILCS 635/4-1(r))
3. That the Department made efforts as described below to advise Licensee of these unfulfilled requirements so that Licensee can comply with the Act and Rules:

- a. That on August 10, 2007, the Department received a Notice of Cancellation letter from Licensee's Insurance Company indicating that the surety bond coverage shall be cancelled effective July 17, 2007;
- b. That on August 14, 2007, the Department sent to Licensee a letter via U.S. mail service advising Licensee that the surety bond on file with the Department has been cancelled;
- c. That the Department has knowledge that coverage of the \$100,000 fidelity bond or continuation certificate on file with the Department expired on October 1, 2007 and that such current bonds must be submitted to Department within 10 days;
- d. That a Potential Disciplinary Letter was sent to Licensee on November 15, 2007 via U.S. first-class mail service and certified mail. A signed receipt card evidencing receipt of such delivery was received by the Department on November 29, 2007;
- e. That Licensee has not submitted to the Department a current surety bond and fidelity bond by the due date;
- f. That on January 18, 2008, the Department issued Orders No. 2008-MBR-21 & 21-b suspending the license and assessing a \$5,000 fine to Licensee; and
- g. That Licensee has not paid its fine, submitted a current surety bond and fidelity bond, nor responded to the Department's correspondence.

CONCLUSIONS

BASED UPON THE ABOVE FINDINGS, THE DEPARTMENT IS OF THE OPINION AND CONCLUDES:

1. That notwithstanding notices and other efforts by the Department, Licensee failed to maintain current surety and fidelity bonds, and failed to pay its fine in a timely manner; and
2. That Licensee is in violation of Sections 3-1, 4-1(r) and 4-5(i)(13) of the Act and Section 1050.490 of the Rules, and in further violation of Section 4-5(i)(11) and (17) of the Act.

ORDER

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the license of **First Mortgage of America, Inc.**, License No. MB.6759899 is revoked by Order of the Department pursuant to Section 4-5(h) (1) of the Act for failure to comply with the provisions cited herein of the Act and rules, effective ten days after

receipt of this Order, unless you request a hearing pursuant to the Act and Subpart N of the Rules, including remitting the hearing fee required by Section 1050.210 of the Rules.

ORDERED THIS 8TH DAY OF APRIL, 2008

ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DEAN MARTINEZ, SECRETARY

DIVISION OF BANKING
JORGE A. SOLIS, DIRECTOR

REYNOLD M. BENJAMIN
Assistant Director, Division of Banking

You are hereby notified that this Order is an administrative decision. Pursuant to 205 ILCS 635/4-12 and 38 Ill. Adm. Code, 1050.1510 et seq. any party may file a request for a hearing on an administrative decision. The request for a hearing shall be filed within 10 days after the receipt of an administrative decision and, if so requested, a hearing shall be held on the administrative decision, by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Banking. Absent a request for a hearing, this Order shall constitute a final administrative Order subject to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/3-101 et seq.].