

STATE OF ILLINOIS

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

DIVISION OF BANKING

IN THE MATTER OF:

COMMUNITY LENDING INITIATIVES)	ORDER TO CEASE
Attention: Floyd Alex Gardner II)	AND DESIST
P.O. Box 8029)	
Chicago, IL 60680)	2008-MBR-CD2

ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST

The Director of the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Banking of the State of Illinois (hereinafter called the "Director" or the "Division") hereby issues to COMMUNITY LENDING INITIATIVES this ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST (the "Order"). This Order is authorized by and issued pursuant to the provisions of Sections 1-3 (d-1) and 4-1 (h-1) of the Residential Mortgage License Act of 1987 [205 ILCS 635] (the "Act").

FINDINGS OF FACT

The Director makes the following Findings of Fact:

1. The Division received a consumer complaint in late 2007 that an entity called Community Lending Initiatives was servicing her second mortgage on her home and not providing property tax reports or responding to inquiries she placed;
2. That the Division opened an investigation and through a series of interviews and document requests determined that Community Lending Initiatives was performing the servicing function for about 40 second mortgages that was formerly performed by Neighborhood and Family Investment Fund (formerly holding License No. MB.0005170, but revoked by the Division in Order No. 2007-MBR-19);
3. That Neighborhood and Family Investment Fund had incorrectly informed the Division that the servicing function would be transferred to federal and state chartered depository institutions that were exempt from licensure under the Act, and that Community Lending Initiatives, an unlicensed entity, did, in fact, take over the servicing of the mortgages; and
4. That the Division's investigation has concluded with the filing of a Report of Investigation (the "ROI") and containing the determination that Community Lending Initiatives has been engaging in unlicensed servicing activities in violation of the Act.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

Based on the Findings of Fact, the Director makes the following Conclusions of Law:

1. Community Lending Initiatives has violated Section 1-3 of the Act in conducting mortgage servicing activities without an Illinois residential mortgage license; and
2. The Director has reasonable cause to believe that an unsafe, unsound, or unlawful practices has occurred, is occurring, or is about to occur with respect to Community Lending Initiatives pursuant to Sections 1-3 (d-1) and 4-1 (h-1) of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED:

Community Lending Initiatives, and by and through its owners, officers, directors, employees, and agents, shall immediately cease and desist from conducting mortgage servicing activities or any other licensable activities under the Act, including holding itself out to the public, regulated entities, or others that is available to provide said activities;

ORDERED THIS 10th OF APRIL, 2008

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION,
DIVISION OF BANKING of the State of Illinois;
DEAN MARTINEZ, SECRETARY

DIVISION OF BANKING
JORGE A. SOLIS, DIRECTOR

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 a hearing held after the receipt by the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Banking of a request for a hearing. 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.*].