State of New Hampshire Banking Department

In re the Matter of:)	Case No.: 07-035			
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State of New Hampshire Banking)	Order	to	Show	Cause
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Department,)				
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Petitioner,)				
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and)				
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Stone Mountain Mortgage, Inc.)				
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Respondent)				
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NOTICE OF ORDER

This Order commences an adjudicative proceeding under the provisions of RSA 397-A:17, RSA 541-A and BAN 200.

LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, the Banking Department of the State of New Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue an order to show cause why license revocation penalties for violations of New Hampshire Banking laws should not be imposed.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:21, the Commissioner has the authority to suspend, revoke or deny any license and to impose administrative penalties of up to \$2,500.00 for each violation of New Hampshire banking law and rules.

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

The above named respondent has the right to request a hearing on this Order to Show Cause, as well as the right to be represented by counsel at the Respondent's own expense. All hearings shall comply with RSA 541-A. Any such request for a hearing shall be in writing, and signed by the respondent or the duly authorized agent of the above named respondent, and shall be delivered either by hand or certified mail, return receipt requested, to the

Banking Department, State of New Hampshire, 64B Old Suncook Road, Concord, NH 03301. Such hearings will be scheduled within 10 days of the request. If the Respondent fails to appear at the hearing after being duly notified, such person shall be deemed in default, and the proceeding may be determined against the Respondent upon consideration of the Order to Show Cause, the allegations of which may be deemed to be true.

If the Respondent fails to request a hearing within 30 calendar days of receipt of this order or reach formal settlement with the Department within that time frame, then such person shall likewise be deemed in default, and the orders shall, on the thirty-first day, become permanent, and shall remain in full force and effect until and unless later modified or vacated by the commissioner, for good cause shown.

STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS, APPLICABLE LAWS AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

The <u>Staff Petition</u> dated April 27, 2007 (a copy of which is attached hereto) is incorporated by reference hereto.

ORDER

WHEREAS, finding it necessary and appropriate and in the public interest, and consistent with the intent and purposes of the New Hampshire banking laws, and

WHEREAS, finding that the allegations contained in the Staff Petition, if proved true and correct, form the legal basis of the relief requested,

It is hereby ORDERED, that the Respondent shall show cause why:

- Administrative penalties of \$12,500.00 should not be imposed;
 and
- 2. Their license should not be revoked; and

It is hereby ORDERED that:

3. Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of receipt of this Order shall result in a default judgment being

rendered, license revocation and administrative penalties imposed upon the defaulting Respondent. SIGNED, Dated: 4/27/07 PETER C. HILDRETH BANK COMMISSIONER

1 State of New Hampshire Banking Department In re the Matter of: 2) Case No.: 07-035 State of New Hampshire Banking) Staff Petition 3 4 Department, 5 Petitioner,) April 27, 2007 6 and 7 Stone Mountain Mortgage, Inc., 8 Respondent 9 10 STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS The Staff of the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire I. 11 12 (hereinafter referred to as the "Department") alleges the following 13 facts: 1. On or about July 24, 2006 the Department conducted an examination 14 of Stone Mountain Mortgage, Inc. (hereinafter "Respondent"). 15 16 2. The Respondent was licensed as a Mortgage Broker and at all times 17 relevant to this action held a Department license since at least 18 2000. 3. The Examiner in Charge (hereinafter "EIC") noted that the licensee 19 20 had accepted and closed loan applications that were taken by an 21 unlicensed entity. 22 4. In the Report of Examination the EIC indicated that two such loans 23 were discovered. 5. In the response to the Report, the Respondent admitted to co-24

brokering these loans with the unlicensed entity, and further

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ISSUES OF LAW

- II. The staff of the Department, alleges the following issues of law:
 - The Department realleges the above stated facts in paragraphs 1 through 5.

implicated 3 additional loans co-brokered with the same unlicensed

- 2. The Department has jurisdiction over the licensing and regulation of persons engaged in mortgage broker activities pursuant to NH RSA 397-A:3.
- 3. Pursuant to New Hampshire Banking law, RSA 397-A:12 the

 Department may examine the business affairs of any licensee or
 any other person, whether licensed or not, as it deems necessary
 to determine compliance with this Chapter and the rules adopted
 pursuant to it and with the Consumer Credit Protection Act, as
 amended (15 U.S.C. 1601 et seq.).
- 4. RSA 397-A:17 I allows the Commissioner to assess penalties or deny, suspend, or revoke a license if the licensee has accepted or processed loan applications transmitted by a mortgage broker who is not licensed.
- 5. RSA 397-A:21 IV provides that any person who, either knowingly or negligently, violates any provision of Chapter 397-A, may upon hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to an administrative fine not to exceed \$2,500, or both. Each of the acts specified shall constitute a separate violation, and such administrative action or fine may

be imposed in addition to any criminal penalties or civil liabilities imposed by New Hampshire Banking laws.

RELIEF REQUESTED

- III. The staff of the Department requests the Commissioner take the following Action:
 - 1. Find as fact the allegations contained in section I of this petition;
 - 2. Make conclusions of law relative to the allegations contained in section II of the this petition;
 - 3. Order Respondent to Show Cause why its license should not be revoked;
 - 4. Assess fines and administrative penalties in accordance with RSA 397-A:21, for five violations of Chapter 397-A; and
 - 5. Take such other administrative and legal actions as necessary for enforcement of the New Hampshire Banking Laws, the protection of New Hampshire citizens, and to provide other equitable relief.

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RIGHT TO AMEND

IV. The Department reserves the right to amend this Staff Petition and to request that the Commissioner take additional administrative action. Nothing herein shall preclude the Department from bringing additional enforcement action under RSA 397-A or the regulations thereunder.

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