1	State of New Hampshire Banking Department
2	)Case No.: 08-122 In re the Matter of: )
3	) State of New Hampshire Banking )
4	)Order to Show Cause Department, )
5	) Petitioner, )
6	and )
7	) GNA Mortgage Group Inc, and Glenn E.
8	Garafano, )
9	Respondents )
10	NOTICE OF ORDER
11	This Order commences an adjudicative proceeding under the provisions
12	of RSA 397-A and RSA 541-A.
13	LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION
14	Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, the Banking Department of the State of New
15	Hampshire (hereinafter the "Department") has the authority to issue an order
16	to show cause why license revocation and penalties for violations of New
17	Hampshire Banking laws should not be imposed.
18	Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18, the Department has the authority to issue a
19	complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion
20	that the licensee or person over whom the Department has jurisdiction is
21	violating or has violated any provision of RSA Chapter 397-A, or any rule or
22	order thereunder.
23	Pursuant to RSA 397-A:20, the Commissioner may issue, amend, or
24	rescind such orders as are reasonably necessary to comply with the
25	provisions of the Chapter.
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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.

Pursuant to RSA 383:10-d, the Commissioner shall investigate conduct 5 that is or may be an unfair or deceptive act or practice under RSA 358-A and 6 exempt under RSA 358-A:3,I or that may violate any of the provisions of 7 Titles XXXV and XXXVI and administrative rules adopted thereunder. The 8 Commissioner may hold hearings relative to such conduct and may order 9 10 restitution for a person or persons adversely affected by such conduct. The Commissioner may utilize all remedies available under the Consumer 11 Protection Act. 12

## NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

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The above named Respondents have the right to request a hearing on 14 this Order to Show Cause, as well as the right to be represented by counsel 15 at each Respondent's own expense. All hearings shall comply with RSA 541-A. 16 Any such request for a hearing shall be in writing, and signed by the 17 18 Respondent or the duly authorized agent of the above named Respondent, and shall be delivered either by hand or certified mail, return receipt 19 requested, to the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire, 53 Regional 20 Drive, Suite 200, Concord, NH 03301. Such hearings will be scheduled within 21 10 days of the Department's receipt of the request. If the Respondent fails 22 23 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 24 upon consideration of the Order to Show Cause, the allegations of which may be 25

1 deemed to be true.

If any of the above named Respondents fails to request a hearing within 3 30 calendar days of receipt of such order or reach formal settlement with the 4 Department within that time frame, then such person shall likewise be deemed 5 in default, and the orders shall, on the thirty-first day, become permanent, 6 and shall remain in full force and effect until and unless later modified or 7 vacated by the Commissioner, for good cause shown.

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### STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS, APPLICABLE LAWS AND REQUEST FOR RELIEF

The <u>Staff Petition</u> dated December 31, 2008 (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:

1. Respondent GNA Mortgage Group Inc ("Respondent GNA Mortgage") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$2,500.00 should not be imposed against it;

- 2. Respondent Glenn E. Garafano ("Respondent Garafano") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$5,000.00 should not be imposed against him;
- 3. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in Paragraphs 1 through 2 above, the

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1	\$2,465.00 examination fee should not be paid to the
2	Department;
3	4. Respondents shall be jointly and severally liable for the
4	above amounts alleged in Paragraphs 1 through 3 above;
5	5. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition
6	to the penalties listed in Paragraphs 1 through 4 above,
7	Respondent GNA Mortgage's license should not be revoked.
8	It is hereby further ORDERED that:
9	6. Along with the administrative penalties listed for the above
10	named Respondents, the outstanding sum of \$2,465.00 shall be
11	immediately paid; and
12	7. Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of
13	receipt or valid delivery of this Order shall result in a
14	default judgment being rendered and administrative penalties
15	imposed upon the defaulting Respondent(s).
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17	SIGNED,
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19	Dated: <u>12/31/08</u> /s/
20	PETER C. HILDRETH BANK COMMISSIONER
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1	State of New Hampshire Banking Department
2	)Case No.: 08-122 In re the Matter of: )
3	) State of New Hampshire Banking )
4	)Staff Petition Department, )
5	)December 31, 2008 Petitioner, )
6	) and )
7	) GNA Mortgage Group Inc, and Glenn E. )
8	) Garafano, )
9	) Respondents )
10	I. STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS
11	The Staff of the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire (hereinafter
12	"Department") alleges the following facts:
13	Facts Common on All Counts:
14	1. Respondent GNA Mortgage Group Inc (hereinafter "GNA Mortgage")
15	was licensed as a Mortgage Broker from at least 1999 (with an
16	amended license date of September 19, 2005) until its license
17	expired on December 31, 2007.
18	2. Respondent Glenn E. Garafano (hereinafter "Respondent Garafano")
19	was the 100% owner and President of Respondent GNA Mortgage,
20	when licensed by the Department.
21	Violation of RSA 397-A:12, V Failure to Pay Examination Fee (1 Count):
22	Violation of RSA 397-A:13, VI Failure of Officer and Owner to Respond to
23	Department Inquiries (1 Count):
24	3. Paragraphs 1 through 2 are hereby realleged as fully set forth
25	herein.

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1 4. The Department conducted an examination of Respondent GNA Mortgage on February 26, 2007, while Respondent GNA Mortgage was still 2 licensed with the Department. 3 5. On September 5, 2007, the Department mailed the report of 4 5 examination and invoice for \$2,465.00 to Respondent GNA Mortgage, 6 via U.S. Certified Mail Return Receipt requested, which 7 Respondents received on September 5, 2007 (the same day). 6. The above named Respondents failed to respond to the September 5, 8 2007 correspondence from the Department. 9 10 7. The Department, via U.S. mail, mailed a second notice on November 1, 2007 and a third notice on December 7, 2007. 11 8. The above named Respondents did not respond to any of the three 12 13 notices for payment of the \$2,465.00 invoice. 9. To date, the above named Respondents still owe the \$2,465.00 14 examination fee for the 4.93 day examination. 15 II. ISSUES OF LAW 16 The staff of the Department, alleges the following issues of law: 17 18 1. The Department realleges the above stated facts in Paragraphs 1 19 through 9 as fully set forth herein. 2. The Department has jurisdiction over the licensing and regulation 20 of persons engaged in mortgage banker or broker activities 21 22 pursuant to NH RSA 397-A:2 and RSA 397-A:3. 23 3. RSA 397-A:12,V provides that the expense of such examination shall be chargeable to and paid by the licensee. Each of the above 24 named Respondents violated this provision on 25 at least one

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occasion as alleged above. To date, the above named Respondents have failed to pay the \$500.00 examination invoice.

4. RSA 397-A:13,VI provides that any officer, owner, manager or agent of any licensee shall reply promptly in writing, or other designated form, to any written inquiry from the Department. Respondent Garafano violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.

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- 5. RSA 397-A:18,I provides that the Department may issue a complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion that the licensee or person over whom the Department has jurisdiction, has violated any provision of RSA 397-A or orders thereunder.
- 6. 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 \$2,500.00, 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.
- 7. RSA 397-A:21,V provides that every person who directly or indirectly controls a person liable under this section, every partner, principal executive officer or director of such person, every person occupying a similar status or performing a similar function, every employee of such person who materially aids in the

act constituting the violation, and every licensee or person acting as a common law agent who materially aids in the acts constituting the violation, either knowingly or negligently, may, upon notice and opportunity for hearing, and in addition to any other penalty provided for by law, be subject to suspension, revocation, or denial of any registration or license, including the forfeiture of any application fee, or the imposition of 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 or civil penalties imposed.

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## III. RELIEF REQUESTED

The staff of the Department requests the Commissioner take the following action:

# Find as fact the allegations contained in section I of this Staff Petition;

 Make conclusions of law relative to the allegations contained in section II of this Staff Petition;

 Pursuant to RSA 397-A:17, order each of the above named Respondents to show cause why their license should not be revoked;
Assess fines and administrative penalties in accordance with RSA 397-A:21, for violations of Chapter 397-A, in the number and amount equal to the violations set forth in section II of this Staff Petition; and

5. Take such other administrative and legal actions as necessary for

1	enforcement of the New Hampshire Banking Laws, the protection of
2	New Hampshire citizens, and to provide other equitable relief.
3	IV. <u>RIGHT TO AMEND</u>
4	The Department reserves the right to amend this Staff Petition and to
5	request that the Commissioner take additional administrative action.
6	Nothing herein shall preclude the Department from bringing additional
7	enforcement action under RSA 397-A or the regulations thereunder.
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9	Respectfully submitted by:
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11	/s/12/31/08Maryam Torben DesfossesDate
12	Hearings Examiner
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