# State of New Hampshire Banking Department (Case No.: 09-123) In re the Matter of: (Case No.: 09-123) (

### NOTICE OF ORDER

This Order to Show Cause commences an adjudicative proceeding under the provisions of RSA Chapter 397-A and RSA Chapter 541-A.

# LEGAL AUTHORITY AND JURISDICTION

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

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18,I the Department has the authority to issue a complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion that the licensee or person over whom the Department has jurisdiction is violating or has violated any provision of RSA Chapter 397-A, or any rule or order thereunder.

Pursuant to RSA 397-A:20,IV the Commissioner may issue, amend, or rescind such orders as are reasonably necessary to comply with the

provisions of RSA Chapter 397-A.

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 that is or may be an unfair or deceptive act or practice under RSA Chapter 358-A and exempt under RSA 358-A:3,I or that may violate any of the provisions of Titles XXXV and XXXVI and administrative rules adopted thereunder. The Commissioner may hold hearings relative to such conduct and may order restitution for a person or persons adversely affected by such conduct.

### NOTICE OF RIGHT TO REQUEST A HEARING

The above named Respondents have the right to request a hearing on this Order to Show Cause, as well as the right to be represented by counsel at each Respondent's expense. All hearings shall comply with RSA Chapter 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, 53 Regional Drive, Suite 200, Concord, NH 03301. Such hearings will be scheduled within 10 days of the Department's receipt of the request. If a 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 any of the above named Respondents fails to request a hearing within 30 calendar days of receipt of such order or reach a formal written and executed settlement with the Department within that time frame, then such person shall likewise be deemed in default, and the Order to Show Cause 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 February 3, 2010 (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 Blackhorse Mortgage Corporation ("Respondent Blackhorse") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$5,000.00 should not be imposed against it;
- 2. Respondent David McDaniel Horn, II ("Respondent Horn") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$5,000.00 should not be imposed against him for failing to communicate with the Department;

- 3. Respondent Lawrence Scott Clark ("Respondent Clark") shall show cause why penalties in the amount of \$7,500.00 should not be imposed against him;
- 4. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in Paragraphs 1 through 3 above, statutory penalties of \$2,500.00 should not be imposed for failing to file the 2008 annual report;
- 5. The above named Respondents shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in Paragraphs 1 through 4 above, the \$835.00 examination fee should not be paid to the Department;
- 6. Nothing in this Order to Show Cause shall prevent the

  Department from taking any further administrative action

  under New Hampshire law;
- 7. The above named Respondents shall be jointly and severally liable for the above amounts alleged in Paragraphs 1 through 6 above.
- 8. The above named Respondent shall show cause why, in addition to the penalties listed in Paragraphs 1 through 7 above, Respondent Blackhorse's license should not be revoked;

# It is hereby further ORDERED that:

9. Along with the administrative penalties listed for the above named Respondents, the outstanding sum of \$3,335.00 shall be immediately paid; and

10. Failure to request a hearing within 30 days of the date of receipt or valid delivery of this Order to Show Cause shall in a default judgment being rendered administrative penalties imposed upon the defaulting Respondent(s). SIGNED, Dated:02/08/10 /s/ PETER C. HILDRETH BANK COMMISSIONER 

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    State of New Hampshire Banking
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                Petitioner,
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          and
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    Blackhorse Mortgage Corporation, David
    McDaniel Horn, II, and Lawrence Scott
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    Clark,
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                Respondents
                             I. STATEMENT OF ALLEGATIONS
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    The Staff of the Banking Department, State of New Hampshire (hereinafter
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    "Department") alleges the following facts:
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    Facts Common on All Counts:
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          1. Respondent
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              "Respondent Blackhorse") was licensed as a Mortgage Broker from
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             June 9, 2008 until it surrendered its license on May 18, 2009.
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          2. Respondent David McDaniel Horn, II (hereinafter "Respondent
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             Horn") was the 50% owner and President of Respondent Blackhorse,
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             when licensed by the Department.
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          3. Respondent Lawrence Scott Clark (hereinafter "Respondent Clark")
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             was the 50% owner and Vice-President of Respondent Blackhorse,
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# Violation of RSA 397-A:13,I Failure to File Annual Report (1 Count):

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4. Paragraphs 1 through 3 are hereby realleged as fully set forth

13. The above named Respondents failed to respond to the July 22, 2009

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correspondence from the Department.

- 14. The Department, via U.S. mail, mailed a second notice on September 14, 2009 and a third notice on September 29, 2009.
- 15. The above named Respondents did not respond to any of the three notices for payment of the \$835.00 invoice.
- 16. To date, the above named Respondents still owe the \$835.00 examination fee for the one day examination.

## II. ISSUES OF LAW

The staff of the Department alleges the following issues of law:

- 1. The Department realleges the above stated facts in Paragraphs 1 through 16 as fully set forth herein.
- 2. The Department has jurisdiction over the licensing and regulation of persons engaged in mortgage banker or broker activities pursuant to NH RSA 397-A:2 and RSA 397-A:3.
- 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 named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above. To date, the above named Respondents have failed to pay the \$835.00 examination invoice.
- 4. RSA 397-A:13,I provides that a licensee shall file its annual report on or before February 1 each year concerning operations for the preceding year or license period ending December 31. the above named Respondents violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above. The fine is calculated as stated in RSA 397-A:13, IV below.

- 5. RSA 397-A:13,IV provides that any mortgage banker or mortgage broker failing to file either the annual report or the financial statement required by RSA Chapter 397-A within the time prescribed may be required to pay to the Department a penalty of \$25.00 for each calendar day the annual report or financial statement is overdue, up to a maximum penalty of \$2,500.00 per report or statement. To date, the statutory penalty is now \$2,500.00.
- 6. 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 Horn and Respondent Clark each violated this provision on at least one occasion as alleged above.
- 7. RSA 397-A:17 provides the Commissioner has the authority to issue an order to show cause why license revocation and penalties for violations of New Hampshire Banking laws should not be imposed.
- 8. RSA 397-A:17,X provides an action to enforce any provision of RSA Chapter 397-A shall be commenced within 6 years after the date on which the violation occurred.
- 9. Pursuant to RSA 397-A:18,I the Department has the authority to issue a complaint setting forth charges whenever the Department is of the opinion that the licensee or person over whom the Department has jurisdiction is violating or has violated any provision of RSA Chapter 397-A, or any rule or order thereunder.
- 10. RSA 397-A:20,IV provides that the Commissioner may issue, amend, or rescind such orders as are reasonably necessary to comply with

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- 11. RSA 397-A:21,IV provides that any person who, either knowingly or negligently, violates any provision of RSA 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.
- 12. RSA 397-A:21,V provides that every person who directly 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.