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**ORDER SUMMARY – Case Number: C-12-0953** 

Name(s):	Chad Andre	ew Crithfield		
Order Number:	C-12-0953-	14-CO01		
Effective Date:	January 29,	2014		
License Number: Or NMLS Identifier [U/L]	DFI: 69249	NMLS ID: 405	719	
License Effect:	Prohibited a	as stated below and	d application approv	ed effective
	January 14,			
Not Apply Until:				
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Not Eligible Until:				
Prohibition/Ban Until:	January 1, 2	2014 – January 13	, 2014	
<b>Investigation Costs</b>	\$897	Due	Paid ⊠Y □ N	Date 1/24/2014
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Fine	\$12,500	Due	Paid ⊠ Y □ N	Date 1/24/2014
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## STATE OF WASHINGTON DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS DIVISION OF CONSUMER SERVICES

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING: Whether there has been a violation of the Consumer Loan Act of Washington by:

No.: C-12-0953-14-CO01

CONSENT ORDER

CHAD A. CRITHFIELD,

Respondent.

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23 24 Based upon the foregoing:

COMES NOW the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions (Director), through his designee Deborah Bortner, Division Director, Division of Consumer Services, and Chad A. Crithfield (Respondent), and finding that the issues raised in the above-captioned matter may be economically and efficiently settled, agree to the entry of this Consent Order. This Consent Order is entered pursuant to chapter 31.04 of the Revised Code of Washington (RCW), and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, based on the following:

#### AGREEMENT AND ORDER

The Department of Financial Institutions, Division of Consumer Services (Department) and Respondent have agreed upon a basis for resolution of the matters alleged in Statement of Charges No. C-12-0953-12-SC01 (Statement of Charges), entered December 27, 2012, (copy attached hereto). Pursuant to chapter 31.04, the Consumer Loan Act (Act) and RCW 34.05.060 of the Administrative Procedure Act, Respondent hereby agrees to the Department's entry of this Consent Order and further agrees that the issues raised in the above-captioned matter may be economically and efficiently settled by entry of this Consent Order. The parties intend this Consent Order to fully resolve the Statement of Charges.

	A. Jurisdiction.	It is AGREED that the Department has jurisdiction over the subject matter
of the activities discussed herein	C.1 .: .: 1: 1	1 .

- B. Waiver of Hearing. It is AGREED that Respondent has been informed of the right to a hearing before an administrative law judge, and hereby waives his right to a hearing and any and all administrative and judicial review of the issues raised in this matter, or of the resolution reached herein. Accordingly, Respondent, by his signature below, withdraws his appeal to the Office of Administrative Hearings.
- C. **Prohibition**. It is AGREED that Respondent served a prohibition from acting as a mortgage loan originator for the period of January 1, 2014, through January 13, 2014.
- D. **Mortgage Loan Originator License Application.** It is AGREED that Respondent's mortgage loan originator license renewal application, submitted on or about November 13, 2013, is approved effective January 14, 2014.
- E. **Fine**. It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay a fine to the Department in the amount of \$12,500, in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer," upon entry of this Consent Order.
- F. **Investigation Fee**. It is AGREED that Respondent shall pay to the Department an investigation fee of \$897, in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer," upon entry of this Consent Order. The Fine and Investigation Fee may be paid together in one \$13,397 cashier's check made payable to the "Washington State Treasurer."
- G. **Continuing Education**. It is AGREED that Respondent shall complete 10 hours of continuing education by January 14, 2015, in addition to the minimum hours of continuing education required by RCW 31.04.267.

1	H. Non-Compliance with Order. It is AGREED that Respondent understands that failure to
2	abide by the terms and conditions of this Consent Order may result in further legal action by the
3	Director. In the event of such legal action, Respondent may be responsible to reimburse the Director
4	for the cost incurred in pursuing such action, including but not limited to, attorney fees.
5	I. Voluntarily Entered. It is AGREED that Respondent has voluntarily entered into this
6	Consent Order, which is effective when signed by the Director's designee.
7	J. Completely Read, Understood, and Agreed. It is AGREED that Respondent has read
8	this Consent Order in its entirety and fully understands and agrees to all of the same.
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10	RESPONDENT:
11	<u>/S/</u> 1/17/14
12	Chad A. Crithfield Date
13	<u>/S/</u> <u>1/17/14</u>
14	Carl J. Oreskovich, WSBA No. 12779  Attorney at Law  Date
15	Attorney for Respondent
16	DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE
17	THIS ORDER ENTERED THIS 29 <sup>th</sup> DAY OF January, 2014.
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19	/ <u>S/</u> DEBORAH BORTNER
	Director Division of Consumer Services
20	Department of Financial Institutions
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No.: C-12-0953-12-SC01

STATEMENT OF CHARGES and NOTICE OF INTENTION TO ENTER AN ORDER TO REVOKE LICENSE, PROHIBIT FROM INDUSTRY, IMPOSE FINE, AND **COLLECT INVESTIGATION FEE** 

#### INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to RCW 31.04.165 and RCW 31.04.168, the Director of the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Director) is responsible for the administration of chapter 31.04 RCW, the Consumer Loan Act (Act). After having conducted an investigation pursuant to RCW 31.04.145, and based upon the facts available as of the date of this Statement of Charges, the Director, through his designee, Division of Consumer Services Director Deborah Bortner, institutes this proceeding and finds as follows:

### I. FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

1.1 Chad A. Crithfield (Respondent) submitted an application to the Department of Financial Institutions of the State of Washington (Department) for a mortgage loan originator license under Cobalt Mortgage, Inc., a consumer loan company licensed under the Act. Respondent's license application was received by the Department, through the Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry (NMLS), on or about July 18, 2011. On or about August 3, 2011, the Department approved Respondent's license application. On or about November 4, 2011, Respondent submitted his license renewal attestation for the calendar year 2012 (2012 Attestation). On or about November 8, 2011, the Department approved Respondent's license renewal for the calendar year 2012.

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1	1.2 Prior Criminal Acts. On or about May 16, 2011, in the Superior Court of the State of
2	Washington, County of Benton, Case No. 11-1-00485-0, the Prosecuting Attorney for Benton County
3	(Prosecutor) filed information alleging Respondent committed three counts of Assault in the Fourth
4	Degree with Sexual Motivation, in violation of RCW 9A.36.041(1) and RCW 9.94A.835
5	(misdemeanors). On or about October 12, 2011, the Prosecutor filed amended information alleging
6	Respondent committed two counts of Commercial Sex Abuse of a Minor, in violation of RCW
7	9.68A.100(1)(a) (felonies); and one count of Prostitution, in violation of RCW 9A.88.030
8	(misdemeanor). On or about May 11, 2012, Respondent pled guilty to three counts of Prostitution, in
9	violation of RCW 9A.88.030 (misdemeanors).
10	1.3 Responses to Application Questions. The "Criminal Disclosure" section of the NMLS
11	Uniform Individual Mortgage License/Registration & Consent form (Form MU4) consists of eight
12	questions. On or about July 25, 2011, Respondent answered, "No" to the following question in the
13	"Criminal Disclosure" section of his Form MU4 submitted to the Department:
14	"Are there pending charges against you for any felony?"
15	Respondent was obligated by statute to answer questions on the Form MU4 truthfully and to provide
16	the Department with complete details of all events or proceedings. Respondent attested, under
17	penalty of perjury, to the truth, accuracy and completeness of his Form MU4. In the "Oath" section
18	of his Form MU4, Respondent agreed to and represented the following, among other things, under
19	penalty of perjury:
20	"To keep the information contained in this form current and to file accurate supplementary
21	information on a timely basis"
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1	On or about November 4, 2011, Respondent submitted his 2012 Attestation through NMLS. In the
2	2012 Attestation, Respondent swore and affirmed the following, among other things, under penalty of
3	perjury:
4	"I affirm/attest that I have updated the documents on file with the jurisdiction(s) to
5	disclose any new event or proceeding requiring an affirmative answer to any Disclosure
6	Question which has occurred since submission of my license/registration application or
7	renewal application to the applicable jurisdiction(s). Any documents explaining
8	affirmative answers to any Disclosure Questions previously submitted to each
9	jurisdiction(s) remain true and accurate."
10	Respondent failed to disclose the pending felony charges referenced in paragraph 1.2 at any time
11	between the filing of the amended information by the Prosecutor on or about October 12, 2011, and
12	the entry of the plea agreement on or about May 11, 2012.
13	1.4 Character and General Fitness. Respondent has not demonstrated character and general
14	fitness as evidenced by Respondent's failure to provide truthful information on his Form MU4.
15	II. GROUNDS FOR ENTRY OF ORDER
16	2.1 Requirement to Demonstrate Character and General Fitness. Based on the Factual
17	Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent fails to meet the requirements of RCW
18	31.04.247(1)(e), WAC 208-620-370(2)(c), and WAC 208-620-710(4)(a) by failing to demonstrate
19	character and general fitness such as to command the confidence of the community and to warrant a
20	belief that the business will be operated honestly, fairly, and efficiently within the purposes of the
21	Act.
22	2.2 Requirement to Provide Information on License Application. Based on the Factual

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Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent fails to meet the requirements of RCW

1	31.04.234 and 31.04.241(2) by failing to provide a license application in the form prescribed by the
2	Director.
3	2.3 Prohibited Practices. Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above,
4	Respondent is in apparent violation of RCW 31.04.241(2) and WAC 208-620-550(5) for not
5	furnishing information pertaining to personal history and experience in a form prescribed by NMLS.
6	Based on the Factual Allegations set forth in Section I above, Respondent is in apparent violation of
7	RCW 31.04.027(8) and WAC 208-620-550(5) for negligently making any false statement or
8	knowingly and willfully making any omission of material fact in connection with any application or
9	any information filed with the Department or in connection with any investigation conducted by the
10	Department.
11	III. AUTHORITY TO IMPOSE SANCTIONS
12	3.1 Authority to Revoke Loan Originator License. Pursuant to RCW 31.04.093(3)(b), the
13	Director may suspend or revoke a license issued under the Act if the Director finds that the licensee,
14	either knowingly or without the exercise of due care, has violated any provision of the Act or any rule
15	adopted under the Act.
16	3.2 Authority to Prohibit from Industry. Pursuant to RCW 31.04.093(6), the Director may
17	issue orders removing from office or prohibiting from participation in the conduct of the affairs of
18	any licensee, or both, any officer, principal, employee, or loan originator of any person subject to the
19	Act for any violation of RCW 31.04.027.
20	3.3 Authority to Impose Fine. Pursuant to RCW 31.04.093(4), the Director may impose fines of
21	up to one hundred dollars per day upon the licensee, its employee, or other person subject to the Act
22	for any violation of the Act.
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2	V. AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE
3	This Statement of Charges and Notice of Intention to Enter an Order to Revoke License,
	Prohibit from Industry, and Collect Investigation Fee is entered pursuant to the provisions of RCW
4	31.04.093, RCW 31.04.145, RCW 31.04.165, RCW 31.04.168, and RCW 31.04.202, and is subject to
5	the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW (The Administrative Procedure Act). Respondent may make a
6	written request for a hearing as set forth in the NOTICE OF OPPORTUNITY TO DEFEND AND
7	OPPORTUNITY FOR HEARING accompanying this Statement of Charges.
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9	Dated this 27 <sup>th</sup> day of December, 2013.
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11	/S/
12	DEBORAH BORTNER Director
13	Division of Consumer Services Department of Financial Institutions
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	/S/ VENNIETH L CHCIMOTO
16	KENNETH J. SUGIMOTO Financial Legal Examiner
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18	Approved by:
19	CHARLES E. CLARK
20	Enforcement Chief
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