# IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MARYLAND BALTIMORE DIVISION

CONSUMER FINANCIAL PROTECTION BUREAU 1700 G Street NW Washington, DC 20552

CONSUMER PROTECTION DIVISION, Office of the Attorney General of Maryland 200 St. Paul Place, 16th Floor Baltimore, MD 21202 Baltimore County

Plaintiffs,

v.

GENUINE TITLE, LLC 11155 Dolfield Blvd., Suite 100 Owings Mills, MD 21117 Baltimore County

BRANDON GLICKSTEIN 3 Valleys Crest Court Owings Mills, MD 21117 Baltimore County

GARY KLOPP 2915 Eden Drive Manchester, MD 21102 Carroll County

ADAM MANDELBERG 807 Dominion Lane Reisterstown, MD 21136 Baltimore County Case No. 1:15-cv-01235-JFM

WILLIAM J. PETERSON, III 635 Prestwick Trail Bel Air, MD 21014 Harford County

ANGELA POBLETTS 1930 Castleton Road Darlington, MD 21034 Harford County

JAY ZUKERBERG 4714 Glenarm Avenue Baltimore, MD 21206 Baltimore County

ALL COUNTY SETTLEMENTS, LLC 2915 Eden Drive Manchester, MD 21102 Carroll County

BTS MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING, LLC 929 Creek Park Road Bel Air, MD 21014 Harford County

CARROLL ABSTRACTS, INC. 2915 Eden Drive Manchester, MD 21102 Carroll County

MARC, LLC 1930 Castleton Road Darlington, MD 21034 Harford County MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC 4940 Campbell Blvd. Suite 210 Nottingham, MD 21236 Baltimore County

R&R MARKETING GROUP, LLC 807 Dominion Lane Reisterstown, MD 21136 Baltimore County,

Defendants.

# STIPULATED FINAL JUDGMENT AND ORDER WITH RESPECT TO WILLIAM J. PETERSON, III, BTS MANAGEMENT AND CONSULTING, LLC, AND MORTGAGE SERVICES, LLC

The Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ("Bureau") and the Consumer Protection Division, Office of the Attorney General of the State of Maryland ("CPD"), commenced this civil action against Defendants on April 29, 2015, to obtain injunctive relief, redress, and other relief.

The Complaint alleges violations of § 8(a) of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act ("RESPA"), 12 U.S.C. § 2607(a); § 1036(a)(1)(A) of the Consumer Financial Protection Act of 2010 ("CFPA"), 12 U.S.C. § 5536(a)(1)(A); and the Maryland Consumer Protection Act ("CPA"), Md. Code Ann., Com. Law §§ 13-101 through 13-501 (2013 Repl. Vol.).

The Plaintiffs and Defendants William J. Peterson, III, BTS Management and Consulting, LLC, and Mortgage Services, LLC have requested that the Court enter this Stipulated Final Judgment and Order ("Order").

#### **FINDINGS**

1. This Court has jurisdiction over the parties and the subject matter of this action.

- 2. Plaintiffs and Defendants agree to entry of this Order, without adjudication of any issue of fact or law, to settle and resolve all matters in this dispute arising from the conduct alleged in the Complaint to the date this Order is entered.
- 3. Defendants neither admit nor deny any allegations in the Complaint, except as specifically stated in this Order. For purposes of this Order, Defendants admit the facts necessary to establish the Court's jurisdiction over Defendants and the subject matter of this action.
- 4. Defendants waive service under Rule 4(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure and waive all rights to seek judicial review or otherwise challenge or contest the validity of this Order. Defendants also waive any claim they may have under the Equal Access to Justice Act, 28 U.S.C. § 2412, concerning the prosecution of this action to the date of this Order. Each party will bear its own costs and expenses, including without limitation attorneys' fees.
  - 5. Entry of this Order is in the public interest.

#### **DEFINITIONS**

- 6. The following definitions apply to this Order:
- a. "**Defendants**" means William J. Peterson, III (Nationwide Mortgage Licensing System and Registry ("NMLSR") unique identifier 104372), BTS Management and Consulting, LLC, and Mortgage Services, LLC.
- b. "Effective Date" means the date on which the Order is issued.
- c. "Enforcement Director" means the Assistant Director of the Office of

  Enforcement for the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, or his delegate.

- d. "Mortgage Industry" means any business that involves a federally related mortgage loan or loans as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 2602(1) or any business that involves settlement services as defined in 12 U.S.C. § 2601(3).
- e. "Related Consumer Action" means a private action by or on behalf of one or more consumers or an enforcement action by another governmental agency brought against Defendants based on substantially the same facts as described in this Order or the Complaint.

#### ORDER

#### **IT IS ORDERED** that:

#### I. Conduct Prohibition

- 7. Defendants shall not give and Defendants shall not accept any fee, kickback, or thing of value pursuant to any agreement or understanding, oral or otherwise, that business incident to or a part of a real-estate-settlement service involving a federally related mortgage loan shall be referred to any person.
- 8. Pursuant to 12 U.S.C. § 5565(a)(2)(G), Defendants are limited from participation in the Mortgage Industry in any professional capacity for two years from the Effective Date.
- 9. Within 60 days of the Effective Date, Defendants must disclose this action and Order to NMLSR and, in accordance with NMLSR procedure, upload an electronic copy of this Order.

# II. Monetary Provisions

10. A judgment for monetary relief is entered in favor of the Bureau and against the Defendants in the amount of \$65,000.

- 11. Within 60 days of the Effective Date, the Defendants must pay to the Bureau, by wire transfer to the Bureau or to the Bureau's agent, and according to the Bureau's wiring instructions, \$65,000 in full satisfaction of the judgment.
- 12. Any funds received by the Bureau in satisfaction of this judgment will be deposited into a fund or funds administered by the Bureau or by the Bureau's agent according to applicable statutes and regulations to be used for redress for injured consumers, including but not limited to refund of moneys, restitution, damages, or other monetary relief, and for any attendant expenses for the administration of any such redress.
- 13. If the Bureau determines, in its sole discretion, that redress to consumers is wholly or partially impracticable, or if funds remain after redress is completed, the Bureau, in consultation with the CPD, may apply any remaining funds for such other equitable relief (including consumer-information remedies) as determined by the Bureau to be reasonably related to the violations described in the Complaint. Any funds not used for such equitable relief will be deposited in the U.S. Treasury as disgorgement. The Defendants will have no right to challenge any actions that the Bureau, the CPD, or their representatives may take under this paragraph.
- 14. Payment of redress to any consumer under this Order will not limit consumers' rights in any way.

# III. Additional Monetary Provisions

15. In the event of any default on Defendants' obligation to make payment under this Order, interest, computed under 28 U.S.C. § 1961, as amended, will accrue on any outstanding

amounts not paid from the date of default to the date of payment, and will immediately become due and payable.

- 16. Defendants must relinquish all dominion, control, and title to the funds paid under this Order to the fullest extent permitted by law and no part of the funds may be returned to Defendants.
- 17. Under 31 U.S.C. § 7701, Defendants, unless they already have done so, must furnish to the Bureau their taxpayer identifying numbers, which may be used for purposes of collecting and reporting on any delinquent amount arising out of this Order.
- 18. Within 30 days of the entry of a final judgment, consent order, or settlement in a Related Consumer Action, Defendants must notify the Enforcement Director of the final judgment, consent order, or settlement in writing. That notification must indicate the amount of redress, if any, that Defendants paid or are required to pay to consumers and describe the consumers or classes of consumers to whom that redress has been or will be paid.

## IV. Reporting Requirements

- 19. Defendants must notify the Bureau of any development that may affect compliance obligations arising under this Order, including but not limited to the filing of any bankruptcy or insolvency proceeding by or against Defendants; or a change in Defendants' name or address. Defendants must provide this notice at least 30 days before the development or as soon as practicable after learning about the development, whichever is sooner.
- 20. Within 10 days of the Effective Date, Defendants shall notify the Bureau and the CPD of (a) Peterson's current residence, postal address, email address, and telephone number; and

- (b) Peterson's current role in any business activity, including any business for which he provides services, whether as an employee, officer, or otherwise, and any entity in which Peterson has any ownership interest, identifying for each its name, physical address, and internet address.
- 21. For 2 years from the Effective Date, Defendants shall notify the Bureau and the CPD of (a) any change in name, including aliases or fictitious names; (b) any change in residence, postal address, email address, or telephone number; or (c) any change in title or role in any business activity, including any business for which Defendants provide services, whether as an employee, officer, or any otherwise, and any entity in which Defendants have any ownership interest, identifying for each its name, physical address, and internet address.

#### V. Notices

22. Unless otherwise directed in writing by the Bureau or the CPD, respectively,
Defendants must provide all submissions, requests, communications, or other documents relating
to this Order in writing, with the subject line, "In re Genuine Title, LLC, Case No. 1:15-cv-01235JFM" and send them to:

Assistant Director for Enforcement Consumer Financial Protection Bureau ATTN: Office of Enforcement 1700 G Street, NW Washington, DC 20552 Enforcement Compliance@cfpb.gov

Chief, Consumer Protection Division Office of the Attorney General of Maryland 200 St. Paul Place, 16<sup>th</sup> Floor Baltimore, MD 21202

# VI. Cooperation with the Bureau and the CPD

23. Defendants must cooperate fully with the Bureau and the CPD in this matter and in any investigation related to or associated with the conduct described in the Complaint. Defendants must provide to the Bureau or to the CPD truthful and complete information, evidence, and testimony. Defendants must appear for interviews, discovery, hearings, trials, and any other proceedings that the Bureau or the CPD may reasonably request upon 5 days written notice, or other reasonable notice, at such places and times as the Bureau or the CPD may designate, without the service of compulsory process.

### VII. Compliance Monitoring

- 24. Within 14 days of receipt of a written request from the Bureau, Defendants must submit compliance reports or other requested information, which must be made under penalty of perjury; provide sworn testimony; or produce documents.
- 25. Nothing in this Order will limit the Bureau's lawful use of compulsory process under 12 C.F.R. § 1080.6 or the CPD's use of its subpoena power under the CPA § 13-404.

### VIII. Retention of Jurisdiction

26. The Court will retain jurisdiction of this matter for purposes of construction, modification, and enforcement of this Order.

# DATED this \_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_, 2015. United States District Court Judge