How to Make a Living and Help Homeowners in Foreclosure

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RESOURCES/MATERIALS

Pooling and Servicing Agreement search

Go to the US Securities and Exchange Commission's search website, http://www.sec.gov/edgar.shtml for basic information, including a search tutorial.

Home Affordable Modification Program (HAMP)

HAMP overview plus servicer and borrower documents, including the Supplemental Directives, Supplemental Documentation FAQs and the Conversion FAQs. https://www.hmpadmin.com/portal/index.html

Making Home Affordable Website: Contains a borrower eligibility quiz and borrower FAQs. http://makinghomeaffordable.gov/index.html

Participating Servicers: A list is available at http://makinghomeaffordable.gov/contact_servicer.html

Fannie Mae/ Freddie Mac Loans: Links for determining whether a loan is owned by Freddie or Fannie are available here: http://makinghomeaffordable.gov/loan_lookup.html

Freddie Mac, phone: 1-800-FREDDIE, borrower_outreach@freddiemac.com

Government Accountability Office Reports: Available at http://www.gao.gov

Congressional Oversight Panel Reports: Available at http://cop.senate.gov

SIG TARP Reports: Available at www.sigtarp.gov/reports

HAMP Class Actions

Federal District Court Litigation by Roddy, Klein, & Ryan, NCLC and Neighborhood Legal Services: <u>Johnson et al. v. Bank of America</u>, <u>Durmic et al. v. Chase</u>, <u>Bosque et al. v. Wells Fargo</u>, <u>Belyea et al. v. Litton</u>, <u>Reyes et al v. IndyMac</u>

To refer a client who received a HAMP Trial Period Plan (TPP) that extended beyond the term of the TPP (regardless of servicer) please fill out an online referral form at: https://neighborhoodlegalservices.wufoo.com/forms/request-for-services/

The information will be securely sent to Attorney Michael Raabe at Neighborhood Legal Services.

State Court guidance on unfair/deceptive practices related to mortgages

See Attorney General's decisions in <u>Fremont</u> (452 Mass. 733) and <u>Option One</u>. Note that these decisions present guidance on what may define an unfair and deceptive loan, and should not be applied as strict factors.

Foreclosure Rescue Scams

See Attorney General's information related to Foreclosure Rescue Scams, and related regulations at 940 CMR 25.00.

Other resources

National Consumer Law Center: extensive consumer law library. www.nclc.org

Center for Responsible Lending: general consumer information; national litigation updates. http://www.responsiblelending.org/

Neighborworks America: National organization providing resources for foreclosure counseling. http://www.nw.org/network/index.asp