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FINAL SUSPENSION ORDER

The Federal Housing Finance Agency, as safety and soundness regulator of Fannie Mae, Freddie Mac, and the eleven Federal Home Loan Banks (collectively the "regulated entities"), is issuing this Final Order pursuant to the following legal authorities:

- 1. Section 1313 of the Federal Housing Enterprises Financial Safety and Soundness Act of 1992 (Safety and Soundness Act), which authorizes FHFA to exercise such incidental powers as may be necessary in the supervision and regulation of the regulated entities. *See* 12 U.S.C. 4513(a)(2);
- 2. Section 1313B of the Safety and Soundness Act, which authorizes FHFA to establish standards for the regulated entities regarding prudential management of risks. FHFA is authorized to issue orders requiring the regulated entities to take any action that will best carry out the purposes of that section. *See* 12 U.S.C. 4513b(b)(2)(B)(iii); and
- 3. Section 1319G of the Safety and Soundness Act, which authorizes FHFA to issue any orders necessary to ensure that the purposes of the Safety and Soundness Act are accomplished. *See* 12 U.S.C. 4526(a).

Consistent with these authorities, FHFA has determined that any business relationship between Robert Goodrich and any of the regulated entities would present excessive risk to their safety and soundness.

This determination is based on the following findings:

- 1. From in or about November 2009 through in or about March 2011, Robert Goodrich and others did knowingly and intentionally execute and attempt to execute a scheme and artifice to defraud financial institutions, and to obtain monies, funds, and credits under the custody and control of those financial institutions, by means of materially false and fraudulent pretenses, representations and promises by submitting and causing to be submitted materially false loan applications, settlement statements, and other mortgage and closing documents for mortgage loans.
- 2. On November 9, 2020, pursuant to a guilty plea, Robert Goodrich was convicted by the United States District Court for the District of New Jersey of conspiracy to commit bank fraud and was sentenced to twenty-seven (27) months of imprisonment and five (5) years of supervised release.

3. The conduct underlying the conviction described above occurred in connection with a mortgage business and financial transactions.

With this Final Order, FHFA is directing each regulated entity to cease or refrain from engaging in any business relationship with Robert Goodrich indefinitely, beginning on July 20, 2023. This suspension extends to any individual, company, partnership or other group that FHFA determines to be an affiliate of Robert Goodrich's.

The Final Order's requirement for regulated entities to cease any business relationship with Robert Goodrich does not apply to the existing or future purchase, sale, modification, foreclosure alternative transaction, or other foreclosure-related transaction of a residential mortgage loan owned by a regulated entity if Robert Goodrich is the borrower of such residential mortgage loan and the transaction is for the borrower's own personal or household residence.

This Final Order is a final action of the Federal Housing Finance Agency.
Clinton Jones,
Suspending Official