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Order Number S-10-038-12-FO01

ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND FINAL ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST, TO IMPOSE FINES, AND TO CHARGE COSTS

Respondents.

THE STATE OF WASHINGTON TO:

IN THE MATTER OF DETERMINING

Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.;

Sunshine Inn, Inc.; and Timothy P. Moyer,

Whether there has been a violation of the Securities Act of the State

of Washington by:

Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc. Sunshine Inn. Inc. Timothy P. Moyer

INTRODUCTION

On March 9, 2012, the Securities Administrator of the State of Washington issued Statement of Charges and Notice of Intent to Enter Order to Cease and Desist, Impose Fines, and Charges Costs, order number S-10-038-12-SC01, hereinafter referred to as "Statement of Charges," against Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; and Timothy P. Moyer, hereinafter referred to as "Respondents." The Statement of Charges, together with a Notice of Opportunity to Defend and Opportunity for Hearing, hereinafter referred to as "Notice of Opportunity for Hearing," and an Application for Adjudicative Hearing, hereinafter referred to as "Application for Hearing," were served on Respondents on March 16, 2012. The Notice of Opportunity for Hearing advised the Respondents that a written application for an administrative hearing on the Statement of Charges must be received within twenty days from the date of receipt of the notice. The Respondents each failed to request an administrative hearing within twenty days of receipt of the Statement of Charges and Notice of Opportunity for Hearing, either on the Application for Hearing provided, or otherwise.

The Securities Administrator therefore will adopt as final the following Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law as set forth in the Statement of Charges and enter a Final Order against the Respondents to cease and desist from violations of the Securities Act, to impose fines, and to charge costs.

FINDINGS OF FACT

Respondents

- 1. Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc. ("Horizon Commercial") is a Washington corporation formed on December 3, 2007. Horizon Commercial is in the business of facilitating commercial lending transactions. Horizon Commercial's office is located in Spokane Valley, Washington. Horizon Commercial originates commercial loans, finding private or corporate lenders for commercial properties.
- 2. Sunshine Inn, Inc. ("Sunshine Inn") is an Idaho corporation formed on February 26, 2008. Sunshine Inn was formed to operate the Sunshine Inn, a restaurant, lounge, and motel, located in Kellogg, Idaho. The Sunshine Inn closed in December 2009.
- 3. Timothy P. Moyer ("Moyer") is a Washington resident. Moyer is the President of Horizon Commercial and Sunshine Inn.

Prior Securities Division Order

4. On February 4, 2003, the Securities Division entered into a Consent Order with Moyer and two companies that he controlled, Private Lender Funding, Inc. and the Moyer Company. The Securities Division alleged that Moyer, Private Lender Funding, Inc. and the Moyer Company, offered and sold unregistered investments in commercial loans to investors. In settling the matter, Moyer neither admitted nor denied the allegations, but agreed to cease and desist from offering unregistered securities, acting as an unregistered broker-dealer or securities salesperson, and violating the anti-fraud provisions of the Securities Act of Washington.

Nature of the Offering

5. Between 2007 and 2009, Timothy P. Moyer, while operating out of Eastern Washington, offered and sold investments totaling at least \$205,000 to at least three investors in Washington and Idaho. Moyer led ENTRY OF FINDINGS OF FACT AND CONCLUSIONS OF LAW AND FINAL ORDER TO CEASE AND DESIST, TO IMPOSE FINES, AND TO CHARGE COSTS

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investors to believe that the investments were for Moyer's commercial lending business, Horizon Commercial, or for the Sunshine Inn. Moyer offered short-term promissory notes and/or loan agreements that offered interest rates ranging from eight to fifteen percent. To date, Moyer has made sporadic interest payments on the investments, but none of the investors has had their principal paid back in full.

Investor A

- 6. In approximately 2006, Investor A, then a Washington resident, met Moyer as a tenant of an apartment building that Moyer owned in Spokane, Washington. In 2007, Investor A received at least \$10,000 as part of an insurance claim. Moyer agreed to provide interest on Investor A's \$10,000 if he could use the money for his business, Horizon Commercial.
- 7. In approximately September or October 2007, Investor A invested \$10,000 with Horizon Commercial. Moyer signed a promissory note for Investor A's funds. Under the terms of the note, Horizon Commercial agreed to make monthly interest-only payments to Investor A.
- 8. In approximately January 2008, Moyer arranged for Investor A to become the manager of the Sunshine Inn. Moyer offered Investor A the opportunity to exchange her \$10,000 note for a 49% ownership interest in the Sunshine Inn. Investor A accepted Moyer's offer, but Moyer did not formalize the agreement in writing. The Sunshine Inn never issued stock to Investor A.

Investor B

- 9. Investor B is a resident of Idaho, who worked for Moyer at the Sunshine Inn. Investor B knew from Investor A that Moyer wanted money to put into Horizon Commercial for cash flow needs.
- 10. In March 2008, Investor B invested \$70,000 with Horizon Commercial. Moyer deposited Investor B's funds into a bank account in the name of "Timothy Moyer dba Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding," in Spokane, Washington. Approximately one month later, Moyer repaid \$10,000 to Investor B and signed a promissory note on behalf of Horizon Commercial for Investor B's remaining \$60,000 investment. Under the terms of the promissory note, Horizon Commercial agreed to pay Investor B monthly interest payments of \$400 for

three years. At the end of the three year term, Horizon Commercial would pay back the balance of the promissory note. In the promissory note, Moyer wrote that the funds would be used by Horizon Commercial for cash flow purposes.

11. Horizon Commercial did not pay off Investor B's promissory note at the end of the three year term.

The note required that upon default, the note bear interest at a rate of eight percent per annum until paid. Horizon

Commercial has made sporadic \$400 payments to Investor B since the note matured in April 2011.

Investor C

- 12. Investor C is a resident of Spokane Valley, Washington, with little prior investment experience. Investor C met Moyer through their children, who attend the same school.
- 13. After the death of Investor C's spouse, Investor C took the proceeds of a life insurance policy and invested the funds with an investment adviser. Moyer later suggested to Investor C that she check on the value of those investments. When Investor C told Moyer that her investments had gone down in value, Moyer suggested that she should instead invest those funds in his business. Moyer told Investor C that he would use her funds to support his restaurant, the Sunshine Inn. Moyer knew that Investor C's only income at that time came from survivor benefits. Moyer told Investor C that the investment could provide her with additional monthly income and help recoup her previous investment losses.
- 14. In February 2008, Investor C wired \$85,500 to an account in the name of "Timothy Moyer dba Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding." Moyer signed and provided to Investor C, on behalf of the Sunshine Inn, a promissory note for \$85,000, as well as a document titled "Loan Agreement/Term Sheet." Under the terms of the agreement, the Sunshine Inn agreed to make monthly interest payments to Investor C for five years, at an annual interest rate of nine percent. During each year of the five year term, the Sunshine Inn agreed to increase Investor C's principal amount by three percent. At maturity of the note, the Sunshine Inn would pay back the principal in full.

Investor C and asked for additional funds, but Investor C declined. Moyer later contacted Investor C and told her that the Sunshine Inn had been awarded the first gambling license in the area in eleven years. Moyer told Investor C that he needed additional capital to purchase gambling machines. In February 2009, Investor C invested another \$25,000 in the Sunshine Inn and received a document titled "Loan Agreement/Term Sheet." Under the terms of the agreement, the Sunshine Inn agreed to pay monthly interest payments of \$250 to Investor C for one year, at which time the balance would become due. To fund the investment, Moyer suggested that Investor C take out a \$35,000 home equity loan, which Investor C did with the assistance of Moyer. Moyer agreed to pay Investor C's closing costs and pledged to annually increase Investor C's principal investment by an amount sufficient to cover the interest payments on the home equity loan.

Approximately two months later, in April 2009, Moyer convinced Investor C to take out a second \$35,000 home equity loan and invest an additional \$25,000 with the Sunshine Inn. Moyer, on behalf of the Sunshine Inn, signed a "Loan Agreement/Term Sheet" for this investment. Under the terms of the agreement, the Sunshine Inn promised to make monthly interest payments of \$250. Moyer pledged to increase Investor C's principal investment by an amount sufficient to cover closing costs and future interest payments for Investor C's new home equity loan.

17. By late 2009, Moyer's payments to Investor C became sporadic. To facilitate repayment, Investor C agreed to reduce the interest rate on the investments to seven percent. Moyer continues to make late or sporadic payments.

Misrepresentations and Omissions

- 18. Respondents failed to disclose to investors that Moyer was subject to a 2003 Consent Order with the Securities Division, as described above.
- 19. Respondents Timothy P. Moyer and Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding failed to provide material information regarding investing with the Horizon Commercial, including but not limited to: financial

statements, the financial condition of the Horizon Commercial and its ability to repay debts, and the general risks of investing in a commercial lending business.

- 20. Respondents Timothy P. Moyer and Sunshine Inn, Inc. failed to provide material information regarding investing in the Sunshine Inn, including but not limited to: financial statements, the financial condition of the Sunshine Inn and its ability to repay debts, and the general risks of investing in a restaurant/lounge/motel.
- 21. Respondents failed to disclose to investors that investor funds for the Sunshine Inn would be commingled with funds of Horizon Commercial.
- 22. Respondents failed to disclose to investors that Moyer had previously filed for Chapter 7 bankruptcy in 1987, 1990, and 2003.

Registration Status

- 23. Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding is not currently registered to sell its securities in the state of Washington and has not previously been so registered.
- 24. Sunshine Inn, Inc. is not currently registered to sell its securities in the state of Washington and has not previously been so registered.
- 25. Timothy P. Moyer is not currently registered as a securities broker-dealer or a securities salesperson in the state of Washington and has not previously been so registered.

Based upon the above Findings of Fact, the following Conclusions of Law are made:

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The offer or sale of the investments described above constitutes the offer or sale of a security, as defined in RCW 21.20.005(14) and (17).

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- 2. Respondents Timothy P. Moyer, Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, and the Sunshine Inn, Inc. violated RCW 21.20.140, the securities registration section of the Securities Act of Washington, because no registration for such offer and/or sale was on file with the Washington Securities Administrator.
- 3. Respondent Timothy P. Moyer violated RCW 21.20.040 by offering or selling said securities while not registered as a securities salesperson or broker-dealer in the state of Washington.
- 4. The offer or sale of said securities violated RCW 21.20.010 because, as set forth in the Tentative Findings of Fact, Respondents made untrue statements of a material fact or omitted to state material facts necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.

FINAL ORDER

Based upon the foregoing and finding it in the public interest:

It is hereby ORDERED that the Respondents, Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; Timothy P. Moyer, their agents and employees shall each cease and desist from offering and/or selling securities in any manner in violation of RCW 21.20.140, the securities registration section of the Securities Act.

It is further ORDERED that Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; Timothy P. Moyer, their agents and employees shall each cease and desist from violation of RCW 21.20.010, the anti-fraud section of the Securities Act.

It is further ORDERED that Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; Timothy P. Moyer, their agents and employees shall each cease and desist from violation of RCW 21.20.040, the broker-dealer and securities salesperson registration section of the Securities Act.

It is further ORDERED that Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; and Timothy P. Moyer, shall be jointly and severally liable for and pay a fine of \$30,000.

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It is further ORDERED that Horizon Commercial Real Estate Funding, Inc.; Sunshine Inn, Inc.; and Timothy P. Moyer, shall be jointly and severally liable for and pay costs in the amount of \$2,500.

AUTHORITY AND PROCEDURE

This Final Order is entered pursuant to the provisions of RCW 21.20.390 and RCW 21.20.395 and is subject to the provisions of RCW 21.20.440 and Chapter 34.05 RCW. Respondents have the right to petition the superior court for judicial review of this agency action under the provisions of chapter 34.05 RCW. For the requirements for filing a Petition for Judicial Review, see RCW 34.050.510 and sections following. Pursuant to 21.20.395, a certified copy of this order may be filed in Superior Court. If so filed, the clerk shall treat the order in the same manner as a Superior Court judgment as to the fine, and the fine may be recorded, enforced, or satisfied in like manner.

WILLFUL VIOLATION OF THIS ORDER IS A CRIMINAL OFFENSE.

William M. Beatty

Securities Administrator

DATED and ENTERED this <u>16th</u> day of April, 2012.

Approved by:	Presented by:
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Suzanne Sarason	Jack McClellan
Chief of Enforcement	Financial Legal Examiner

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