

After full consideration of the evidence and points and authorities submitted in support of and in opposition to the motion, the oral arguments of counsel, and the pleadings, files, records and proceedings and hearings in this action, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED AS FOLLOWS:

- 1. For the purpose of this Judgment and Order Approving Class Action Settlement and Dismissing Claims Against Settling Defendants ("Judgment"), and except as otherwise stated herein, the Court adopts the definitions set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement. A copy of the Stipulation of Settlement is attached to this Judgment as Exhibit 1.
- 2. This Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of the Actions, the Settling Parties, and the Class Members.
- 3. The Court finds that the Related Debtors have:

 (1) caused the form of notice approved by the Court (the

 "Notice") to be mailed by first-class mail, postage prepaid, to
 each person known or believed to be a Class Member; (2) taken
 customary and reasonable steps to obtain new addresses and
 forward the Notice to all persons with respect to whom the Notice
 was returned as undeliverable; and (3) caused notice of the
 settlement to be published once per week in two consecutive weeks
 in <u>USA Today</u>. The Court further finds that the FTC posted the

Notice and the Stipulation of Settlement on its web site and that various states that are parties to the settlement and AARP provided notice of the settlement on their websites. The Court finds that the foregoing procedures fully and accurately informed all Class Members of all material elements of the Actions and the proposed Stipulation of Settlement, constituted the best notice practicable under the circumstances, constituted valid, due, and sufficient notices to all Class Members, and complied fully with the requirements of due process and Rule 23 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

In its April 24, 2002 Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement, Approving Form and Manner of Class Notice, and Scheduling Final Settlement Hearing (the "Preliminary Approval Order"), this Court certified the Representative Plaintiffs' claims against Defendants for class action treatment, pursuant to Rule 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, for purposes of the settlement, on behalf of a class consisting of all Persons who entered into mortgage loan agreements with the Related Debtors during the period from January 1, 1992 through March 23, 2000; excluding Defendants, their affiliates, any entity in which any of the Defendants has a controlling interest, and the legal representatives, heirs, successors or assigns of any of the foregoing excepted persons and any person who validly and timely opted out of the class (the "Settlement Class"). Based on the evidence and argument presented in connection with the preliminary approval motion and the present motion and the record of this matter, the Court

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- 1 hereby reaffirms its findings and conclusions with respect to certification of the Settlement Class.
 - Attached to this Judgment as Exhibit 2 is a list of all putative Class Members who opted out of the Settlement Class and who are therefore excluded from the Settlement Class and are not bound by the terms of this Judgment.
 - 6. In assessing the propriety of the compromise proposed in the Stipulation of Settlement, the Court has carefully considered and balanced a number of factors, including: the strength of the plaintiffs' case; the risk, expense, complexity, and likely duration of further litigation; the risk of maintaining a class action status throughout the trial; the amount offered in settlement; the extent of discovery completed and the stage of the proceedings; the experience and views of counsel; and the reaction of class members to the settlement. See In re Mego Financial Corp. Securities Litigation, 213 F.3d 454, 458 (9th Cir. 2000); Hanlon v. Chrysler Corp., 150 F.3d 1011, 1019 (9th Cir. 1998).
 - Taking into consideration the factors set forth above, 7. this Court finds that the terms of the settlement as set forth in the Stipulation of Settlement are fair, reasonable, and adequate to the Settlement Class and accordingly approves the Stipulation of Settlement.
 - 8. The Court orders the Settling Parties to perform the executory provisions of the Stipulation of Settlement in accordance with its terms.

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- a. Frank G. Aiello, et. al. v. First Alliance

 Mortgage Company, et. al., United States Bankruptcy Court,

 Central District of California, Adv. No. SA00-01456, now

 consolidated into No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex);
- b. <u>Jacqueline Bowser and Irene Huston v. First</u>

 <u>Alliance Mortgage Co., et al.</u>, United States Bankruptcy Court,

 Central District of California, Adv. No. SA00-01343, now

 consolidated into No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex);
- c. <u>Aiello v. First Alliance Corp., et al.</u>, United States District Court, Central District of California, consolidated into SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex);
- d. American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) v.

 First Alliance Mortgage Company, et al. Case No. SA CV 02-268

 AHS, now consolidated with SA CV 00-964 DOC;
- e. <u>Ida M. Forrest v. First Alliance Mortgage Co., et al.,</u> Case No. CV 02-2362 DDP, now consolidated with SA CV 00-964 DOC; and
- f. Frank and Nicolena Aiello, et al. v. BNY Western

 Trust Company, et al., United States District Court, Central

 District of California, Case No. SA CV02-52 DOC.
- 10. The Court orders the Plaintiffs, including members of the Class, to file with this Court dismissals with prejudice of all claims against the Related Debtors, the Individual Defendants, the Mortgage Loan Trusts, the Trustees, MBIA, and FSA in all actions and claims pending in this Court, brought by non-

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- a. Creditors Committee and Borrowers Committee v.

 Brian Chisick, et al., Case No. SA CV 02-430 DOC; and
 b. Bohnsack, et al. v. Lehman Brothers, Inc. et al.,
 Case No. SA CV 02-1214 DOC.
- 11. As to Defendants Nebot and Bollong only, the Court hereby dismisses without prejudice the complaint in intervention in connection with <u>Department of Legal Affairs</u>, <u>Office of the Attorney General</u>, <u>State of Florida v. First Alliance Mortgage Company</u>, United States District Court for the Central District of California in Case No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex)).
- 12. The Related Debtors, the Individual Defendants, the Mortgage Loan Trusts, the Trustees, MBIA, and FSA, and all claims against any of them are dismissed with prejudice from the actions styled Official Joint Borrowers Committee v. Lehman Commercial Credit, Inc., et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. SA CV 01-1111 DOC, now consolidated into action SA CV 01-971 DOC, and Michael and Barbara Austin, et al. v. Brian Chisick, et al., formerly styled as Frank and Nicolena Aiello, et al. v. Brian Chisick, et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. SA CV 01-971 DOC.
- 13. Except as provided in Paragraph 14, below, the Plaintiffs, including without limitation any member of the Settlement Class, are ordered to dismiss on the Effective Date

all other Actions pending before other Courts and all other cases or proceedings against the Settling Defendants in which claims covered by the releases herein are being asserted.

The dismissals referenced in paragraphs 9, 10, and 12, 14. above, do not apply to and shall not affect: (i) the joint proof of claim referenced in Paragraph 2.6 of the Stipulation of Settlement, which the Court orders to be treated in accordance with that paragraph and in accordance with the confirmed Liquidating Plan, or (ii) the actions and proofs of claim filed by the FTC and the State Attorneys General, which are finally resolved by entry of the following Consent Decrees: (a) the Court's April 25, 2002 Order Preliminarily Approving Stipulated Final Judgment, Permanent Injunction and Monetary Settlement entered in the United States District Court, Central District of California, consolidated Case No. SA CV 00-964 DOC; (b) the Court's April 25, 2002 Permanent Injunction and Order by Stipulation Between the Plaintiffs, the People of the States of California, Florida, Illinois, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the New York State Banking department, and the defendants, Brian and Sarah Chisick entered in the United States District Court, Central District of California Case No. SA CV 00-964; and (c) the Court's April 25, 2002 Permanent Injunction and Order By Stipulation between the Plaintiffs, the People of the State of California, Arizona, Florida, and Illinois, the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the New York State Banking Department, and the

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- 15. The payment of fees and costs to Plaintiffs' Counsel, as well as any awards to the Representative and Private Attorney General Plaintiffs, will be addressed in a separate order.
- 16. Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiffs and their Related Persons (excluding the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, as more fully set forth at paragraph 4.3 of the Stipulation of Settlement) conclusively are deemed to have, and each member of the Settlement Class and their Related Persons conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Defendants, the family members of Brian and Sarah Chisick and all entities controlled by them (now or in the past), the Trustees, MBIA, FSA, and any other insurer of the Mortgage Loan Trusts (or any of the securities issued by any of the Mortgage Loan Trusts) and all of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from the Specifically Released Claims.
- 17. Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, the Defendants and their Related Persons conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this udgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Plaintiffs and their Related Persons (excluding the Commonwealth of Massachusetts), the members of the Official Creditors' Committee, the professionals of the Official

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1 Creditors' Committee, members of the Borrowers' Committee, and the professionals of the Official Borrowers' Committee, and all of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from any claims, including Unknown Claims, arising out of or related in any manner to the filing of claims or Actions against them so that no such claims against these releasees arising out of or related to their conduct in the Actions shall survive; provided, however, that neither the Plaintiffs nor their Related Persons are released from any of their respective obligations on loans originated by Related Debtors.

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Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, the Related Debtors conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged Brian and Sarah Chisick, the family members of Brian and Sarah Chisick and all entities controlled by them (now or in the past), the Trustees, the Individual Defendants, all of Related Debtors' current and former officers, directors and employees, MBIA and FSA and all of their Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims, and Related Debtors conclusively are deemed to have released any claims against Plaintiffs arising out of the Prior Borrower Settlements.

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Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, fully,

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finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Related Debtors, the Individual Defendants and their respective Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims; the Individual Defendants (other than Brian and Sarah Chisick) are conclusively deemed to have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged Brian and Sarah Chisick and their respective Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims; and Jeffrey Smith and Francisco Nebot are conclusively deemed to have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged Related Debtors and their respective Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims.

20. Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, MBIA and FSA conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Related Debtors and Plaintiffs and each of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from any claims for malicious prosecution, abuse of process, or similar torts arising out of or related to the filing of claims against their insureds, so that no such claims against these releasees arising out of or related to their conduct in the Actions shall survive.

21. Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick and MBIA conclusively are deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, released any and all claims each may have against the others

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relating to the business of the Related Debtors; provided,
however, that nothing herein shall affect, alter or amend the
terms of the transaction documents relating to the MBIA insured
Mortgage Loan Trusts or otherwise affect the rights of the
Residual Certificateholder under the transaction documents.
Brian and Sarah Chisick also are conclusively deemed to have
released the indemnification claim asserted against the Trustees
and the Mortgage Loan Trusts as to monies paid pursuant to the
Stipulation of Settlement and fees and costs incurred in
litigating the Actions.

- 22. Upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiffs conclusively are deemed to have, and each member of the Settlement Class shall be deemed to have, and by operation of this Judgment shall have, expressly waived and released claims for rescission or reformation of any loan originated by the Related Debtors.
- 23. Except as provided in paragraph 24 below, and to give effect to the doctrines of res judicata and claim preclusion, each member of the Settlement Class, including without limitation the Representative Plaintiffs, are barred and enjoined from asserting or prosecuting in any forum, any claim or cause of action which has been, can be, or hereafter could be asserted against the Defendants arising from, relating to, or in consequence of (a) any loan they obtained from any of the Related Debtors or (b) any and all matters which have been or might have been asserted by the Representative Plaintiffs and/or the Settlement Class against any of the Defendants in any of the Actions. In addition, except as otherwise provided herein, following the Effective Date the Plaintiffs shall forever refrain

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- 24. The releases and bars set forth in Paragraphs 16 through 23 above shall not be construed to apply to any of the following:
- A. Any claim by or against any Class Member who has validly and timely excluded himself or herself from the Settlement Class;
- B. Any obligation under the Stipulation of Settlement, any obligation under the Supplemental Agreement, or any obligation under the Consent Decrees;
- C. Any claim by any of the Plaintiffs against Lehman, Prudential and First Union.
- 25. Nothing in this Judgment shall be deemed to affect the rights of the Settling Parties to object to claims for payment from the Related Debtors' Bankruptcy Estates.
- Judgment, this Court reserves exclusive and continuing jurisdiction over the Actions, the Released Claims, the Plaintiffs and all of the other Settling Parties for the purposes of (i) supervising the implementation, enforcement, construction, and interpretation of the Stipulation of Settlement, the Notice, the Releases, the Preliminary Approval Order, and this Judgment; (ii) enforcing the compliance of any party with the terms of the Stipulation of Settlement, the Releases, the Preliminary Approval

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Order, and this Judgment; (iii) hearing and determining any application by Plaintiffs' counsel for an award of attorneys' fees, expenses, and costs pursuant to Paragraph 6 of the Stipulation of Settlement; (iv) supervising the administration of the settlement; (v) requiring the filing of dismissals in the Actions and other cases not pending before this Court as necessary to effectuate the settlement; and (vi) supervising other steps as required to effectuate the settlement as provided for in the Stipulation of Settlement.

Neither this Judgment nor the Stipulation of Settlement shall constitute an admission by the Defendants of any liability or wrongdoing whatsoever, nor is this Judgment a finding of the validity or invalidity of any claims in the Actions or a finding of any wrongdoing by the Defendants. Neither.this Judgment nor the Stipulation of Settlement shall be used or construed as an admission, concession, or presumption or inference of any fault, liability, or wrongdoing by any Person. No aspect of this settlement including without limitation this Judgment, the Stipulation of Settlement, the fact of settlement, the settlement proceedings, the settlement negotiations, and any related document, shall be offered or received in evidence as an admission, concession, or presumption or inference against any party in any proceeding other than (i) in such proceedings as may be necessary to consummate or enforce the Stipulation of Settlement, ii) in any subsequent action against or by the Released Persons, or any of them, to support a defense of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, or other theory of claim preclusion, issue preclusion, or similar defense or (iii) in any

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1 action against any Non-Settling Defendants arising from the Related Debtors' business practices, to support an affirmative defense of offset to the extent appropriate under the order barring the assertion of contribution- and indemnity-type claims by the Non-Settling Defendants. 28. This Court determines that there is no just reason for delay of the entry of this Judgment because inter alia, (i) this Judgment fully disposes of the claims of the Plaintiffs against the Settling Defendants, (ii) any factual or legal issues raised on possible appeal from this Judgment would likely be different from those remaining in the case by the Plaintiffs against the Non-Settling Defendants, (iii) Plaintiffs and the Settling Defendants would be harshly and unjustly prejudiced should this Judgment not forthwith.

Accordingly, the Court hereby directs entry of this Judgment and Order Approving Class Action Settlement and Dismissing Claims Against Settling Defendants pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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This Stipulation of Settlement dated as of February 25, 2002 (the "Stipulation"), is made and entered into by and among the parties to this Stipulation, by and through their counsel of record as necessary: (i) the Representative Plaintiffs (on behalf of themselves and each of the Class Members); (ii) AARP; (iii) Velda Durney; (iv) Ida M. Forrest; (v) Henry M. Hong; (vi) Carol J. Hong; (vii) Mary Ryan; (viii) Lucretia Wilder; (ix) Fred L. Passmore; (x) Julia G. Passmore; (xi) Geneva A. Spires; (xii) George Jerolemon; (xiii) Michael Austin; (xiv) Barbara Austin; (xv) the Official Joint Borrowers' Committee; (xvi) the FTC; (xvii) the State Attorneys General; (xviii) the Related Debtors; (xix) the Individual Defendants; (xx) the Mortgage Loan Trusts; (xxi) the Trustees; (xxii) MBIA; and (xxiii) FSA.

All parties to this Stipulation are referred to collectively in this Stipulation as the "Settling Parties."

The Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and the Consent Decrees are intended by the Settling Parties to fully, finally and forever resolve, discharge and settle the Released Claims (as defined in ¶ 1.46 hereof), upon and subject to the terms and conditions hereof.

I. THE LITIGATION AND RELATED PROCEEDINGS

On March 23, 2000, the Related Debtors filed their Chapter 11 petitions in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California, Southern Division, initiating their Chapter 11 cases.

Beginning in approximately 1996 and continuing after the date on which the Related Debtors filed their bankruptcy petitions, the Related Debtors and certain of the Individual

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Defendants were named as defendants in a number of lawsuits brought by borrowers, private parties, and governmental agencies alleging causes of action under state and federal law based on the nature of the Related Debtors' business, sales, advertising, and lending practices, including without limitation allegations concerning the terms of the borrowers' loans, alleged misrepresentations made in connection with those loans, and alleged misconduct inducing borrowers to enter into the loans.

Each of the Plaintiffs except the Official Joint Borrowers' Committee has filed a proof of claim in the Related Debtors' bankruptcy cases, either on their own behalf, through representative counsel, or both. Approximately 2000 individual borrowers filed proofs of claim in the Related Debtors' bankruptcy cases. In addition, each of the Representative Plaintiffs has filed individual and class action proofs of claim in the Related Debtors' bankruptcy cases on behalf of themselves and similarly situated borrowers. AARP filed a non-class proof of claim on behalf of the general public under sections 17200, et seq., of the California Business and Professions Code (the "UCL"), and the California Six filed individual and non-class proofs of claim on behalf of the general public under the UCL. Finally, each of the governmental entities has filed a proof of claim.

On or about September 28, 2001, the Hon. David O. Carter, United States District Court Judge, entered an order that, among other things, certified a no-opt-out class action pursuant to Rule 23(b)(1) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure in Frank G.

Aiello v. First Alliance Mortgage Corporation, identified fully below.

In late 2001, certain of the Representative Plaintiffs and the Borrowers' Committee commenced actions against Lehman seeking damages based on state and federal law and seeking to equitably subordinate Lehman's claims against the Related Debtors.

On or about February 8th, 2002, eight individual FAMCO borrowers filed a class action complaint in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, captioned Frances M. Bohnsack, et al. v. Lehman Brothers Incorporated, et al., Case No. 02-CV-1214. The plaintiffs assert the right to serve as named representatives of the putative class action -- they are all members of the presently certified no opt-out class, and will all be Class Members hereunder if they do not timely and validly opt out of the Class. The named defendants are Lehman, Prudential, and First Union and certain of the Trustees (Bank of New York, Chase Manhattan Bank, and Wells Fargo Bank). The complaint seeks damages and certain equitable relief based on federal and state law.

To the extent the above-described actions or proofs of claim were filed in Bankruptcy Court, Judge Carter has withdrawn the reference for those actions and proofs of claim. Each of the above described actions is now pending in the District Court, Central District of California, Southern Division, Judge Carter presiding.

II. DEFENDANTS' DENIALS OF WRONGDOING AND LIABILITY

The Defendants have denied and continue to deny each and all of the claims and contentions alleged by the Plaintiffs in the

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Actions. The Defendants expressly have denied and continue to deny all charges of wrongdoing or liability against them arising out of or related to any of the conduct, statements, acts or omissions alleged, or that could have been alleged, in the Actions. The Defendants also have denied and continue to deny, inter alia, the allegations that the Plaintiffs (including without limitation any of members of the Class) have suffered damage or were harmed by the conduct alleged in the Actions.

Nonetheless, the Related Debtors and their counsel have concluded that further conduct of litigation would be protracted and expensive and would not be in the best interest of the Estates, and that it is desirable that the Actions be fully and finally settled between the Settling Parties in the manner and upon the terms and conditions set forth in this Stipulation. The other Defendants have also concluded that further conduct of litigation would not be in their best interests and that it is desirable to settle the Actions on the terms and conditions set forth herein.

III. CLAIMS OF THE PLAINTIFFS AND BENEFITS OF SETTLEMENT

The Plaintiffs have contended and continue to contend that the claims asserted in the Actions have merit and that the value of their claims substantially exceeds the amounts in the Related Debtors Estates and the amounts being provided in this settlement. However, Plaintiffs and their counsel recognize and acknowledge the expense and length of continued proceedings necessary to prosecute the Actions against the Defendants through trial and through appeals and are concerned that further prosecution of these actions could deplete the Estates to the

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detriment of the Plaintiffs. Plaintiffs and their counsel also have taken into account the uncertain outcome and the risk of any litigation, especially in complex actions such as the Actions, the possibility that the Plaintiffs, including the Class, would be unable to collect all or part of any judgment, as well as the difficulties and delays inherent in such litigation. Counsel for the Plaintiffs also are mindful of the burdens of proof under and possible defenses to the violations asserted in the Actions. Counsel for the Representative Plaintiffs believe that the settlement set forth in this Stipulation confers substantial benefits upon and is in the best interests of the Class.

IV. TERMS OF STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT OF SETTLEMENT

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and among the Plaintiffs, on one hand, and the Defendants, on the other, on their own behalf or by and through their respective counsel or attorneys of record, that, subject to the approval of the Court, the Actions as to the Settling Parties, and the Released Claims shall be finally compromised, settled and released, and, with the exception of the actions brought by the FTC and the State Attorneys General (which shall be resolved by entry of the Consent Decrees against certain of the Defendants), the Actions shall be dismissed with prejudice, as to all Settling Parties, upon and subject to the terms and conditions of this Stipulation, as follows.

1. Definitions

As used in the Stipulation the following terms have the meanings specified below:

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- (a) American Association of Retired Persons (AARP) v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa Clara, Case No. CV 778453;
- (b) Velda Durney v. First Alliance Mortgage Company,
 Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa
 Clara, Case No. CV 765935;
- (c) Ida M. Forrest v. First Alliance Mortgage Company,
 Superior Court of the State of California for the County of
 Alameda, Case No. 799294-0 [Cross-Complaint];
- (d) Henry M. Hong and Carol J. Hong v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Alameda, Case No. 784938-3;
- (e) Mary Ryan v. First Alliance Mortgage Company,
 Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Santa
 Clara, Case No. CV 759815;
- (f) Lucretia Wilder v. First Alliance Mortgage

 Company, Superior Court of the State of California for the County

 of Santa Clara, Case No CV 760638;

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- (g) Fred L. Passmore and Julia G. Passmore v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, Superior Court of the State of California for the County of Alameda, Case No. 823272-8;
- (h) Geneva A. Spires v. First Alliance Mortgage

 Company, Superior Court of the State of California for the County

 of Alameda, Case No. 807253-5;
- (i) Frank G. Aiello, et. al. v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, et. al., United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California, Adv. No. SA00-01456, now consolidated into No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex);
- (j) Jacqueline Bowser and Irene Huston v. First
 Alliance Mortgage Co., et al., United States Bankruptcy Court,
 Central District of California, Adv. No. SA00-01343, now
 consolidated into No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex);
- (k) Commonwealth of Massachusetts v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, Superior Court for Suffolk County of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Civil Action No. 98-5534-A;
- (1) Federal Trade Commission v. First Alliance
 Mortgage Company, et al., United States District Court for the
 Central District of California, Case No. SA CV 00-964-DOC;
- (m) The People of the State of California v. First

 Alliance Mortgage Company, et al., Superior Court of the State of

 California for the County of Los Angeles, Case No. BC 252112 (now

 consolidated, after dismissal in state court and refiling in the

 United States District Court for the Central District of

 California, into Case No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex));
- (n) Department of Legal Affairs, Office of the Attorney General, State of Florida v. First Alliance Mortgage

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1 Company, Circuit Court of the 17th Judicial Circuit, in and for 2 Broward County, Florida, Case No. 21000009116 (a complaint in 3 intervention has been filed in the United States District Court 4 for the Central District of California in Case No. SA CV 00-964 5 DOC (Eex));

- (0) People of the State of Illinois v. First Alliance Mortgage Company, Circuit Court of Cook County, Illinois, County Department, Chancery Division, Case No. 98CH16598 (now consolidated, after entry of a stay and refiling in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, into Case No. SA CV 00-964 DOC (Eex));
- (p) Third Amended Proof of Claim filed by the State Attorney General of Arizona against First Alliance Mortgage Company, et al. in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California;
- (q) Proof of Claim filed by the New York State Banking Department against First Alliance Mortgage Company in the United States Bankruptcy Court for the Central District of California;
- (r) Frank and Nicolena Aiello, et al. v. Brian
 Chisick, et al., United States District Court, Central District
 of California, Case No. SA CV 01-971 DOC (formerly filed in the
 United States Bankruptcy Court, Central District of California,
 Adversary Case No. AD 01-01463 LR);
- (s) Official Joint Borrowers Committee v. Lehman

 Commercial Credit, Inc., et al., United States District Court,

 Central District of California, Case No. SA CV 01-1111 DOC

 (formerly filed in the United States Bankruptcy Court, Central

 District of California, Adversary Case No. AD 1647 LR); and

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- (t) Frank and Nicolena Aiello, et al. v. BNY Western Trust Company, et al., United States District Court, Central District of California, Case No. SA CV02-52 DOC.
- 1.3 "Administrative Expenses" means expenses, other than Professional Fees, that are determined and allowed in the Related Debtors' Estates under Section 503(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 503(b), and paid pursuant to the confirmed Plan of Liquidation and Section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 1129.
- 1.4 "Bar Order" means, collectively, an order, after hearing and notice to all Non-Settling Defendants in all actions arising out of or related to the business of the Related Debtors, and all parties who have submitted a proof of claim in the Related Debtors' bankruptcy proceedings, and such other Persons as to whom Defendants or the Court deem notice is necessary and appropriate, in form and substance satisfactory to Coordinated Plaintiffs and Defendants: (a) dismissing all pending claims brought by Non-Settling Defendants against the Defendants, and further providing, (b) that, for all Defendants the settlement is in "good faith" within the meaning of Section 877.6 of the California Code of Civil Procedure ("Section 877.6"); and (c) that, pursuant to each of Section 877.6, 11 U.S.C. § 105, and Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 16, all Persons receiving notice, including without limitation the Non-Settling Defendants, are barred from asserting any claims or demands against the Defendants to recover losses or attorneys fees in litigation arising out of or related to the business of Related Debtors, whether such claims or demands are denominated as fraud claims,

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- 1.5 "California Six" means Velda Durney, Lucrecia Wilder, Mary Ryan, Ida Mae Forrest, and Carol and Henry Hong.
- 1.6 "Chisick Shares" means shares in the Related Debtors held directly or indirectly by or for the benefit of Brian and Sarah Chisick and/or members of their family (in whatever form they are held), including but not limited to shares held by trusts in which Brian or Sarah Chisick are beneficiary or trustee, or held directly or indirectly by any other heirs, representatives or Related Persons.
- 1.7 "Class" means a class certified by the Court consisting of all Persons who entered into mortgage loan agreements with the Related Debtors during the period January 1, 1992 through March 23, 2000.
- 1.8 "Class Period" means the period commencing on January 1, 1992, through March 23, 2000.
- 1.9 "Class Member" or "Member of the Class" means a Person who falls within the definition of the Class described in \P 1.7 hereof who does not validly and timely request exclusion from the Class.
- 1.10 "Coordinated Plaintiffs" means AARP, the California Six, Representative Plaintiffs, the Official Joint Borrowers' Committee, the FTC, and the State Attorneys General.

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1.19 "Final" means: the later of (i) the date of final affirmance on an appeal of a judgment or order, the expiration of the time for a petition for or a denial of a writ of certiorari to review a judgment or order and, if certiorari is granted, the date of final affirmance of a judgment or order following review pursuant to that grant; or (ii) the date of final dismissal of any appeal from a judgment or order or the final dismissal of any proceeding on certiorari to review a judgment or order; or (iii) if no appeal is filed, the expiration date of the time for the filing or noticing of any appeal from a judgment or order.

- 1.20 "First Union" means First Union National Bank and its parents, subsidiaries, affiliated, and related companies.
- 1.21 "FSA" means Financial Security Assurance, Inc., and its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates.
 - 1.22 "FTC" means the Federal Trade Commission.
- 1.23 "Generally Released Claims" means, collectively, any and all lawsuits, actions, causes of action, debts, obligations, promises, guarantees, agreements, contracts, rights of contribution and/or indemnification, claims, liabilities and/or demands, of whatever kind or nature, whether known or unknown, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, suspected or unsuspected, at law or equity, under any theory of law or equity including under the Bankruptcy Code or any theory of fraudulent

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conveyance or preference, in an individual or representative capacity, on behalf of itself, a class or the public, including without limitation under a statutory, contract or tort theory, for declaratory relief, for intentional, fraudulent, negligent or other wrongdoing, for bad faith or unfair business practices or any other similar or dissimilar tort, or for compensatory, consequential, punitive or exemplary damages or any damages or penalties whatsoever, for specific performance, injunctive or declaratory relief, or any relief whatsoever, under the laws, rules and/or regulations or otherwise of any jurisdiction, court, body or tribunal or otherwise of any sort or kind whatsoever, whether in the United States of America, whether federal or state or otherwise, and/or any other foreign jurisdiction. Generally Released Claims expressly include Unknown Claims of the kind or nature set out in this Paragraph.

1.24 "Individual Defendants" means Brian Chisick; Sarah
Chisick; Patricia G. Sullivan; Jeffrey Smith; Salah Bastawy;
Francisco Nebot; Bruce Bollong; Todd Feldman; Jeffrey Phillips;
Scott Gardner; Diane Clark West; Vanita Cillo; David Sproul; Ted
Kegel; Howard Coleman; Chris Jensen; Tom Neate; Kelly Lee; Joe
O'Laughlin; Steven Graber; Don Terry; Mitchell C. Horwitz; Mark
Mason; Albert Lord; George Gibbs; and, Merrill Butler.

1.25 "Judgment" means a judgment in a form acceptable to the Settling Parties certified to be final pursuant to Rule 54 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

1.26 "Lehman" means Lehman Commercial Paper, Inc., Lehman Brothers, Inc., and their parents, affiliates, and subsidiaries.

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- 1.27 "Liquidating Plan" means the Chapter 11 liquidating plan of reorganization to be filed by the Related Debtors consistent with the terms of this Stipulation as confirmed by the Court.
- 1.28 "Liquidating Trust Fund" means that fund to be created by Related Debtors as part of their Liquidating Plan into which Related Debtors shall place on the Effective Date (1) any unliquidated assets that cannot be distributed in cash to the Redress Fund, (2) any mortgage loans owned by the Debtors whether or not subject to a secured claim in favor of Lehman, (3) an amount of cash equal to the distribution payable under the confirmed Liquidating Plan to the holders of claims not paid on the Effective Date to the extent they are later allowed of (a) Other Creditors; (b) Professional Fees; (c) Administrative Expenses: (d) Employee Claims, (e) anticipated future Administrative Expenses and Professional Fees, as approved by the Court; and, (f) the reserve required by the Supplemental Agreement, (4) the proceeds, if any, from the Reliance Company Litigation, or the rights thereto, and if such litigation is not concluded by a Final judgment or order, the right to continue to prosecute such action, and (5) the proceeds, if any, from the \$1 million Chubb CGL policy, or the rights thereto. All actions assigned to the Liquidating Trust Fund shall be pursued by the fund as representative of the Estate pursuant to 11 U.S.C. \$ 1123(b)(3).
- 1.29 "Liquidating Trustee" means such agents or trustees as are approved by the Court to maintain and administer the

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Liquidating Trust Fund pursuant to the terms of the Liquidating Plan.

1.30 "Lloyd's Policy" means Policy No. 757/FD971617 issued by Lloyds Underwriters at Interest subscribing to said policy to First Alliance Corporation Directors and Officers and Company on or about July 29, 1997, which, with extensions, covers the period from July 29, 1997 to June 1, 2002.

1.31 "MBIA" means MBIA, Insurance Corporation, and its parents, subsidiaries and affiliates.

1.32 "Mortgage Loan Trusts" means, collectively, First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1993-1; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1993-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-1; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-3; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-4; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1995-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-1; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-3; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-4; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-1; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-4; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-1A; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-1F; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-3; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-4; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-1; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-2; First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-3; and First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-4; and the certificate and note holders thereof.

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- 1.39 "Prior Borrower Settlements" means borrowers who settled a claim or lawsuit with Related Debtors and were paid by the Related Debtors within the ninety days prior to the filing of the bankruptcy by Related Debtors.
- 1.40 "Professional Fees" means fees, expenses, and costs to be paid to professionals employed by the Related Debtors, the Official Creditors' Committee, or the Official Joint Borrowers Committee, which are determined and allowed in the Related Debtors' Estates pursuant to Sections 330, 331, 503 and 507 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §§ 330, 331, 503 and 507, and paid pursuant to the confirmed Liquidating Plan and Section 1129 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 1129.
- 1.41 "Prudential" means Prudential Securities, Inc., and its parents, affiliates, and subsidiaries.
- 1.42 "Redress Fund" means a fund to be established and administered by the FTC for the benefit of the Members of the Class and other Plaintiffs, as more fully described herein.
- 1.43 "Redress Fund Administrator" means the FTC, or such agents or trustees that the FTC pursuant to the Consent Decree, in its sole discretion, will appoint, to establish, maintain, and administer the Redress Fund.
- 1.44 "Related Debtors" means First Alliance Mortgage Company, a California corporation; First Alliance Corporation, a

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Delaware corporation; First Alliance Mortgage Company, a Minnesota corporation; and First Alliance Portfolio Services, Inc., a Nevada corporation as debtors and debtors-in-possession.

1.45 "Related Persons" means, with respect to any individual or entity to whom it refers, each of its, his, her, or their, past or present directors, officers, managers, employees, partners, members, principals, agents, controlling shareholders, venture capital investors, attorneys, accountants or auditors, financial advisors, associates, personal or legal representatives, predecessors, successors, parents, subsidiaries, divisions, joint ventures, assigns, spouses, heirs, related or affiliated entities, any entity in which a person or entity has a controlling interest, any members of their immediate families, or any trust of which any individual is the settlor or which is for the benefit of any individual and/or member(s) of his or her family.

1.46 "Released Claims" means, collectively, all claims released pursuant to any Paragraph of this Stipulation. The releases and discharges referred to herein are not bankruptcy discharges.

1.47 "Reliance Company Litigation" means the action between the Related Debtors and Reliance Insurance Company in Liquidation, as successor-in-interest by merger to Reliance Insurance Company of Illinois, currently pending in the United States District Court for the Central District of California as Case No. CV 00-3282 GAF, and any proceeding related thereto, including without limitation any liquidation proceeding for Reliance.

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1.49 "Residuals" means the securities representing the residual interests held by and property of the Estate in the various Mortgage Loan Trusts that were formed for the purpose of securitizing pools of real estate mortgages for sale to the investing public.

1.50 "Residual Proceeds" means all proceeds received by the Estate from the Residuals for the period between January 1, 2002 and the Effective Date, and the interest earned thereon, such proceeds to be accounted for separately by Related Debtors.

1.51 "Residual Certificateholder" means a holder of Class R Certificates in the Mortgage Loan Trusts. "Class R Certificates" means any of those certificates representing certain residual rights to distributions from the Mortgage Loan Trusts, designated as a "Class R Certificate" on the face thereof.

1.52 "Securitization Documents" means any and all documents executed in connection with the issuance of asset backed notes by the Mortgage Loan Trusts and the Trustees, including but not limited to, purchase and sale agreements, trust agreements, indenture of trust agreements, insurance agreements, indemnity agreements, and servicing agreements.

1.53 "Settling Parties" means, collectively, each of the parties to this Stipulation.

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1.54 "Specifically Released Claims" means, collectively, any and all lawsuits, actions, causes of action, debts, obligations, promises, guarantees, agreements, contracts, rights of contribution and/or indemnification, claims, liabilities and/or demands, of whatever kind or nature, whether known or unknown, fixed or contingent, liquidated or unliquidated, suspected or unsuspected, at law or equity, under any theory of law or equity including under the Bankruptcy Code or any theory of fraudulent conveyance or preference, in an individual or representative capacity, on behalf of itself, a class or the public, including without limitation under a statutory, contract or tort theory, for declaratory relief, for intentional, fraudulent, negligent or other wrongdoing, for bad faith or unfair business practices or any other similar or dissimilar tort, or for compensatory. consequential, punitive or exemplary damages or any damages or penalties whatsoever, for specific performance, injunctive or declaratory relief, or any relief whatsoever, under the laws, rules and/or regulations or otherwise of any jurisdiction, court, body or tribunal or otherwise of any sort or kind whatsoever, whether in the United States of America, whether federal or state or otherwise, and/or any other foreign jurisdiction, based on, arising out of, related to or the subject of: (a) the Actions; (b) facts, transactions, events, occurrences, acts, disclosures, statements, omissions, or failures to act which were or could have been alleged with respect to such conduct in the Actions; (c) any and all claims arising out of or relating to or in connection with the settlement or resolution of the Actions; (d) mortgage loans issued by the Related Debtors during the Class

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1 Period and the Actions; and (e) the sale and securitization of such loans to the Mortgage Loan Trusts and the Trustees. Specifically Released Claims expressly include Unknown Claims of the kind or nature set out in this Paragraph.

- 1.55 "State Attorneys General" means the attorneys general from the States of Arizona, California, Florida, Illinois, and Massachusetts, and the New York State Banking Department.
- 1.56 "Supplemental Agreement" means the agreement relating to potential termination of this Stipulation that will be filed under seal with the District Court.
- 1.57 "Term Sheet" means the February 15, 2002 letter agreement provisionally agreed upon by the FTC subject to Commission approval and accepted on behalf of the Coordinated Plaintiffs, and certain of the Defendants.

1.58 "Trustees" means, collectively, in their individual capacities, in their respective capacities as trustees of the Mortgage Loan Trusts and in any other capacity under the Securitization Documents, JP Morgan Chase Bank as successor in interest to the Chase Manhattan Bank (hereinafter "Chase Manhattan Bank"), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1993-1; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1993-2; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-1; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-2; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-3; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1994-4; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1995-2; Chase Manhattan Bank,

Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-1; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-2; Bank of New York, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-3; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1996-4; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-1; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-2; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-3; Bank of New York, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1997-4; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-1A; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-1F; Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-2; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-3; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1998-4; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-1; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-2; Wells Fargo Bank Minnesota, N.A. (formerly Norwest Bank Minnesota, N.A.), Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-3; and Chase Manhattan Bank, Trustee of First Alliance Mortgage Loan Trust 1999-4, any owner trustees of the Mortgage Loan Trusts and the parents, subsidiaries and affiliates of these entities. 1.59 "Unknown Claims" means any Released Claims which any

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which, if known by him, her or it, might have affected his, her
or its settlement with and release of the released persons, or
might have affected his, her, or its decision not to object to
this settlement. With respect to any and all Specifically and
Generally Released Claims, all parties providing releases
stipulate and agree that, upon the Effective Date, they shall
expressly, and each of the Class Members shall be deemed to have,
and by operation of the order approving this Stipulation and the
Consent Decrees shall have, expressly waived the provisions,
rights and benefits of California Civil Code § 1542, which
provides:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

All parties providing releases of Unknown Claims shall expressly, and each of the Class Members shall be deemed to have, and by operation of this Stipulation and the Consent Decrees shall have, expressly waived any and all provisions, rights and benefits conferred by any law of any state or territory of the United States, or principle of common law, which is similar, comparable or equivalent to California Civil Code § 1542. All parties providing releases of Unknown Claims (including without limitation any individual Class Member) may hereafter discover facts in addition to or different from those which he, she or it now knows or believes to be true with respect to the subject matter of the Specifically or Generally Released Claims, but each shall expressly, and each Class Member, upon the Effective Date,

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shall be deemed to have, and by operation of this Stipulation shall have, fully, finally, and forever settled and released any and all Specifically and Generally Released Claims, known or unknown, suspected or unsuspected, contingent or non-contingent, whether or not concealed or hidden, which now exist, or heretofore have existed upon any theory of law or equity now existing or coming into existence in the future, including without limitation conduct which is negligent, intentional, with or without malice, or a breach of any duty, law or rule, without regard to the subsequent discovery or existence of such different or additional facts. All parties providing releases of Unknown Claims expressly acknowledge, and the Class Members shall be deemed by operation of the Stipulation to have acknowledged, that the foregoing waiver was separately bargained for and a key element of the settlement of which this release is a part.

2. The Settlement

- a. Payments by Brian and Sarah Chisick and Consent Decrees
- 2.1 Upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick collectively shall (i) contribute the amount of \$20,000,000.00 (adjusted in the manner set forth in the Supplemental Agreement) to the capital of Related Debtors, and (ii) agree to the cancellation of any Chisick Shares. Said contribution is an addition to the assets of the Estates as of February 25, 2002.
- (a) Following February 15, 2002, and until the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick will not transfer, or cause to be transferred, any Chisick Shares.

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- (c) To secure the payment in ¶ 2.1 above, three days before the hearing on confirmation of the Liquidating Plan, Brian and Sarah Chisick will obtain and deliver to the FTC an irrevocable letter of credit issued by a financial institution payable to the Liquidating Trustee. Both the financial institution that issues the letter of credit and the form of the letter of credit must be acceptable to the FTC, which acceptance will not be unreasonably withheld.
- 2.2 Upon the Effective Date, Brian Chisick will purchase the Residuals, including the Residual Proceeds, by paying in cash to the Related Debtors (i) the amount of \$25,100,000.00, plus (ii) interest in an amount equal to the total amount that would be received on a \$25.1 million deposit for a period from January 1, 2002 to the Effective Date, based on an annual (365-day) rate of simple interest of three percent (3%), or, if Mr. Chisick puts this \$25.1 million plus the interest thereon at three percent (3%) from January 1, 2002 into a separate account by April 1, 2002 and it remains in a separate account until the Effective Date, then the interest obligation from the date of the deposit shall be the amount earned on the funds so deposited.
- 2.3 (a) Upon the Effective Date, MBIA will release all of its right, title and interest in and to the remaining balance of the escrow account established for the benefit of MBIA pursuant to the July 14, 2000 Consent Agreement ("Consent Agreement") between certain of the Related Debtors, the Trustees, and MBIA.

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1 Upon the final resolution, by settlement, final judgment or otherwise, of any and all claims brought against the Mortgage Loan Trusts insured by MBIA ("the MBIA-Insured Trusts") or the Trustees by any Person who falls within the definition of the Class described in Paragraph 1.7 of this Stipulation who has validly and timely requested exclusion from the Class, or by any Person seeking contribution or indemnity on account of such claims, the Trustees will transfer to the Liquidating Trust Fund all of their right, title and interest in and to the remaining balance of the escrow accounts established for the benefit of the Trustees under the Consent Agreement except that with respect to the release of the escrow funds held by Chase Manhattan Bank they shall have appropriate consents from the Residual Certificateholders. Until such time as MBIA or the Trustees release their right, title and interest in their respective escrow accounts pursuant to the terms of this Stipulation, nothing in this Stipulation shall affect, alter or amend any right of MBIA or the Trustees under the Consent Agreement to make withdrawals from the escrow accounts in accordance with the terms of the Consent Agreement.

In the event that any claim, action or proceeding (b) is brought against the Mortgage Loan Trusts or Trustees by any Person who falls within the definition of the Class described in Paragraph 1.7 of this Stipulation who has validly and timely requested exclusion from the Class, the Trustees and the Mortgage Loan Trusts shall have the right to require the Residual Certificateholders to defend such claim, action or proceeding; provided, however, that the Residual Certificateholders may not

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- 2.4 Brian Chisick, Sarah Chisick, and the Related Debtors will agree to Consent Decrees barring future violations of the law, which Consent Decrees shall become operative on the Effective Date. The form and content of such decrees will be negotiated in good faith, but it is generally agreed that the consent decree will be in a form similar to the types of decrees used to resolve FTC and State actions, without any admission of wrongdoing.
- 2.5 Upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick shall, pursuant to the Consent Decrees, be enjoined from engaging in any residential loan origination business for ten years.

b. The Allowance of the Coordinated Plaintiffs' Claim.

2.6 For purposes of this Stipulation and distribution under the confirmed Liquidating Plan, the claims of the Plaintiffs will be treated as a joint claim and allowed, pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 502, as a general, unsecured claim against the Related Debtors in the amount of Two Hundred Seventeen Million Dollars (\$217,000,000); provided that this amount shall not be binding in proceedings by Plaintiffs against Non-Settling Defendants, and provided further that the amount shall not be binding in the event that the Effective Date of this Stipulation fails to occur.

c. Distributions on the Effective Date

2.7 (a) Upon the Effective Date and pursuant to the confirmed Liquidating Plan, the Related Debtors shall transfer

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and distribute the Estates as follows: (i) pay all allowed claims payable on that date pursuant to the terms of the Liquidating Plan, (ii) transfer to the Liquidating Trust Fund all 4 unliquidated assets of the Estates, including the mortgage loans owned by Related Debtors, and cash in the amounts provided for under \P 1.28, and (iii) transfer all remaining cash of the Estates to the Redress Fund, including the additional amounts paid to Related Debtors by Brian and Sarah Chisick pursuant to paragraph 2.1.

- Assuming the Court hearing the interpleader action filed by Lloyd's approves such payment, the insureds under the Lloyd's Policy will on the Effective Date pay to the Redress Fund \$3,000,000, the money to come from the Lloyd's Policy and not the insureds themselves; and
- Upon the Effective Date, the sum of \$1,000,000 shall be paid by MBIA and FSA (\$960,000 and \$40,000 respectively) to the Redress Fund on behalf of the Mortgage Loan Trusts.

d. The Liquidating Trust Fund

- Pursuant to the confirmed Liquidating Plan, Related Debtors shall establish the Liquidating Trust Fund to be administered after the Effective Date by the Liquidating Trustee.
- The Liquidating Trustee shall liquidate the assets in the Liquidating Trust Fund and make payments from the Liquidating Trust Fund to any holder of the allowed claims set forth in Paragraph 1.28 hereof and to the Redress Fund, pursuant to the Liquidating Plan.
- No Person shall have any claim against the Related Debtors or the Liquidating Trustee or their counsel based on

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distributions of the Liquidating Trust Fund made in accordance with this Stipulation and the confirmed Liquidating Plan.

(c) It is acknowledged by the Settling Parties that the total amount of allowed claims paid from the Liquidating Trust Fund may be less than the amount of the Liquidating Trust Fund as a consequence of a determination of the distribution to such allowed claims that is less than the amount reserved under Paragraph 1.28 hereof or an agreement by such creditors as to the amount of their claims and the payment therefor. The amount remaining in the Liquidating Trust Fund after payment of the allowed claims for which the fund was established, shall revert to and become part of the Redress Fund.

e. Subsequent Transfers

- 2.9 The Redress Fund shall also be entitled to receive the following:
- (a) Any proceeds remaining from the Lloyd's Policy, after the resolution of all other claims against that policy, including the past and future claims of the insureds for the reimbursement of expenses (including those related to any prospective Lehman, Prudential, or First Union contribution or indemnity claims). The Related Debtors shall provide the Coordinated Plaintiffs with an accounting for the amounts paid hereunder, including the amount of attorney fees paid to Individual Defendants' counsel; and
- (b) The amounts remaining in the Liquidating Trust Fund as defined in ¶1.28 following the satisfaction of the obligations to be paid from that fund.

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2.10 The Plaintiffs agree not to object to any allocation of the proceeds of the Lloyd's Policy described above to settle third party claims or pay attorneys' fees. The Settling Parties hereby stipulate and agree that the stay of the Lloyd's Policy should be immediately terminated by the Court.

f. Administration of the Redress Fund

2.11 The Redress Fund shall be established and administered by the FTC for the benefit of the Class and other Plaintiffs. The FTC, with the input of the Coordinated Plaintiffs, shall submit to the Court for review and approval a plan for the disbursement of funds to the Members of the Class and other Plaintiffs. Settling Defendants shall have no right to contest the substance or manner of distribution of the Redress Fund nor any responsibility in connection therewith.

g. FACO Shares

2.12 Under the terms of the Liquidating Plan, the Related Debtors will cancel all FACO Shares. Following the Effective Date, the Redress Fund Administrator shall pay those Persons who held FACO shares on the Effective Date the lesser of \$1.50 per share or the basis of such shares prior to cancellation, provided that the total amount of such payments does not exceed \$3,250,000.00. The basis of any Person in a share of FACO stock purchased on or after February 25, 2002 shall be conclusively presumed to be 9 cents. To the extent that the total amount of such payments would exceed \$3.25 million, the Redress Fund Administrator shall reduce the payment to each former FACO shareholder on an equal proportionate basis (that is, so that each former FACO shareholder will receive an equal percentage of

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the amount that they otherwise would receive under the formula
above) until the total payments do not exceed \$3.25 million. If
the amount of payments to shareholders as calculated above is
less than \$3.25 million, then the remainder shall revert to the
Redress Fund. No payment will be made on account of the Chisick
Shares or FACO Shares held by other Individual Defendants or
their Related Persons.

h. Dismissals and Releases

2:13 The Actions shall be dismissed as to the Defendants with prejudice, with the exception of (i) the joint proof of claim referenced in ¶ 2.6 which shall be treated in accordance with that paragraph and the confirmed Liquidating Plan, (ii) the actions filed by the State Attorney Generals and the FTC which are to be resolved by the entry of Consent Decrees as to certain Defendants and (iii) Plaintiffs' claims against Jeffrey Smith unless he makes the election set forth in the final sentence of Notwithstanding (ii) above, the Florida actions against Francisco Nebot and Bruce Bollong shall be dismissed without prejudice. To the extent a dismissal is required in an Action pending before the District Court, the dismissals shall be entered as part of the District Court's orders implementing this Stipulation. To the extent a dismissal is required in any of the Actions not pending before the District Court, that action shall immediately be stayed, so long as the Individual Defendants in such action agree to waive all rules relating to the prompt prosecution of that action and the Court approves the stay; those Actions shall then be dismissed with prejudice on the Effective Date.

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Payment of Coordinated Plaintiffs' Counsel Fees and Provisions re Taxes

2.14 Any attorneys fees awarded by the Court to counsel for 4 Coordinated Plaintiffs and/or the National Association of 5 Attorneys General will be paid out of the Redress Fund, save and except those fees and costs that are payable for services rendered by the Official Joint Borrowers Committee as an Administrative Expense of the Estates or the Liquidating Trust The Defendants will have no right to object to the fee Fund. procedure established by the Coordinated Plaintiffs and approved by the Court, or fees to be paid under that procedure, to the extent those fees are paid from the Redress Fund.

2.15 Settling Parties and the Redress Fund Administrator agree to treat the Redress Fund as being at all times a "qualified settlement fund" within the meaning of Treas. Req. § 1.468B-1. The Settling Parties agree that the exact tax structure of the Redress Fund will be set forth in the Liquidating Plan.

3. Notice Order and Settlement Hearing

Promptly after execution of the Stipulation, the Coordinated Plaintiffs shall submit any additional documents necessary to obtain preliminary approval of the settlement by the District Court and shall apply for entry of an order (the "Notice Order"), the form and content of which will be negotiated by the parties in good faith, requesting, inter alia, approval of the method of dissemination of a settlement notice (the "Notice"). The Related Debtors shall disseminate the Notice to all Class Members. The Notice shall be in a form agreed upon by the

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Settling Parties and approved by the Court. The cost of such Notice shall be borne by the Related Debtors.

3.2 The Coordinated Plaintiffs shall request that after the Notice is given, the Court hold a hearing under Rule 23(e) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure(the "Settlement Hearing") and approve the settlement as set forth herein.

4. Releases

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4.1 All Persons granting releases under this ¶ 4 shall have expressly waived the provisions, rights and benefits of California Civil Code § 1542, which provides:

A general release does not extend to claims which the creditor does not know or suspect to exist in his favor at the time of executing the release, which if known by him must have materially affected his settlement with the debtor.

- 4.2 Except as set forth in ¶¶ 4.11 and 4.12, upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiffs and their Related Persons shall have, and each of the Class Members and their Related Persons shall be deemed to have, and by operation of the Judgment shall have, fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Defendants, the family members of Brian and Sarah Chisick and all entities controlled by them (now or in the past), the Trustees, MBIA, FSA, and any other insurer of the Mortgage Loan Trusts (or any of the securities issued by any of the Mortgage Loan Trusts) and all of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from the Specifically Released Claims.
- 4.3 Except as set forth in ¶ 4.11, upon the Effective Date, the Defendants and their Related Persons shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Plaintiffs and their Related Persons (excluding the Commonwealth

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of Massachusetts; it being understood that the Individual Defendants have no present intention of bringing any such claim against the Commonwealth of Massachusetts), the members of the Official Creditors' Committee, the professionals of the Official Creditors' Committee, members of the Borrowers' Committee, and the professionals of the Official Borrowers' Committee, and all of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from any claims, including Unknown Claims, arising out of or related in any manner to the filing of claims or Actions against them so that no such claims against these releasees arising out of or related to their conduct in the Actions shall survive. The releases provided by this paragraph are not intended to, and shall not, release any of the Plaintiffs or their Related Persons from any of their respective obligations on loans originated by Related Debtors.

- 4.4 Except as set forth in ¶ 4.11, upon the Effective Date, the Related Debtors shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged Brian and Sarah Chisick, the family members of Brian and Sarah Chisick and all entities controlled by them (now or in the past), the Trustees, the Individual Defendants, all of Related Debtors' current and former officers, directors and employees, MBIA and FSA and all of their Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims. Related Debtors shall also release any claims against Plaintiffs arising out of the Prior Borrower Settlements.
- 4.5 Except as set forth in \P 4.11, upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Related Debtors, the Individual Defendants and their respective Related Persons from

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the Generally Released Claims; and the other Individual

Defendants shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved,

released, and discharged Brian and Sarah Chisick and their

respective Related Persons from the Generally Released Claims.

- 4.6 Except as set forth in ¶ 4.11, upon the Effective Date, MBIA and FSA shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Related Debtors and Plaintiffs and each of its, his, her, or their Related Persons from any claims for malicious prosecution, abuse of process, or similar torts arising out of or related to the filing of claims against their insureds, so that no such claims against these releasees arising out of or related to their conduct in the Actions shall survive.
- 4.7 Except as set forth in ¶ 4.11, upon the Effective Date, Brian and Sarah Chisick and MBIA shall have released any and all claims each may have against the others relating to the business of the Related Debtors; provided, however, that it is the intent of Brian and Sarah Chisick and MBIA that nothing herein shall affect, alter or amend the terms of the transaction documents relating to the MBIA insured Mortgage Loan Trusts, or otherwise affect the rights of the Residual Certificateholder under the transaction documents; Brian and Sarah Chisick shall also have released the indemnification claim asserted against the Trustees and the Mortgage Loan Trusts as to monies paid pursuant to this Settlement and fees and costs incurred in litigating the Actions.
- 4.8 Except as otherwise provided herein, including without limitation in ¶¶ 4.10, 4.11 and 4.12 below, following the Effective Date the Plaintiffs will forever refrain and forbear from commencing, instituting, and/or prosecuting any lawsuit,

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- 4.9 Upon the Effective Date, the Plaintiffs shall have, and each of the Class Members shall be deemed to have, expressly waived and released claims for rescission or reformation of any loan originated by the Related Debtors.
- 4.10 In addition to the foregoing releases, the State Attorneys General: (i) commit that the State Attorneys General will not seek administrative sanctions arising out of or related to the Specifically Released Claims; (ii) represent, for the States of California, New York, Illinois, Massachusetts, Florida and Arizona, that the State Attorneys General do not have any pending criminal investigations against any of the Defendants arising out of or related to the Specifically Released Claims, and that they are not aware of any such investigation; and (iii) agree not to seek any injunctive relief against Francisco Nebot or Bruce Bollong.
- (a) The State Attorneys General for California,
 Illinois, Florida, and the New York State Banking Department
 further represent that they will not attempt to initiate any
 criminal investigations against any of the Defendants arising out
 of or related to the Specifically Released Claims.
- (b) The State Attorneys General for Arizona and Massachusetts represent that they have no current intention to initiate any criminal investigation against any of the Defendants arising out of or related to the Specifically Released Claims. In the event any State Attorney General of Arizona initiates a

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criminal investigation against any of the Defendants arising out of or related to the Specifically Released Claims, the release of that State described in ¶ 4.3 herein given by the Defendant who is the subject of such investigation shall be void and of no further force and effect and such Defendant shall be entitled to an offset against any monetary sanction imposed against that Defendant in an amount equal to the amount of that Defendant's monetary contribution to the Redress Fund.

- 4.11 Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, this Stipulation does not and cannot be construed (a) to release Lehman, Prudential, or First Union; (b) to release any Class Member who validly and timely requests exclusion from the Class; or (c) to release any Settling Party from any obligation under this Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement or the Consent Decrees.
- 4.12 Notwithstanding any contrary provision herein, the State Attorneys General do not release Patricia Sullivan and Salah Bastawy, and none of the Plaintiffs releases Jeffrey Smith, from any claim or demand unless and until he or she has agreed to be bound by this Stipulation, including without limitation a consent decree identical to that applicable to Brian Chisick under ¶ 2.4 (or on such other lesser inclusive terms as acceptable to the States), the allocation of the Lloyd's Policy reflected in ¶ 4.15 below and the releases contained in ¶ 4.3 hereof. In the event, Mr. Smith elects to be bound by this Stipulation, but not to accept a consent decree, and agrees to give the same release as Francisco Nebot is giving in ¶ 4.13

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below, then he shall be released by all Plaintiffs other than the State Attorneys General.

- 4.13 Except as set forth in ¶ 4.11, upon the Effective Date, Francisco Nebot shall have fully, finally, and forever relieved, released, and discharged the Related Debtors from the Generally Released Claims.
- 4.14 Each of the Related Debtors, Brian Chisick, any other party hereto which is or may become a holder of a Residuals, acknowledges and agrees that the release by the Trustees of their rights, title and interests in the escrow accounts established in accordance with the terms of the Consent Agreement shall not be or be construed to be or constitute a breach of trust or a breach of fiduciary duty by the Trustees and each of the foregoing parties hereby fully, finally and forever releases the Trustees from any and all claims arising in connection with the execution and delivery by the Trustees of this Stipulation.
- 4.15 Plaintiffs agree that they shall have no interest in the proceeds of the Lloyd's Policy except as provided in ¶¶ 2.7 and 2.9 hereof (the initial \$3 million payment and the residual, if any, of that policy); the Related Debtors and the Individual Defendants consent to the use of proceeds of the Lloyd's Policy to the extent provided in the Supplemental Agreement to address claims brought by persons who validly and timely opts out of the Class, to the use of up to \$2.5 million of those proceeds to reimburse Individual Defendants for attorneys fees incurred in defending the Actions, and to the use of the remainder of the Lloyd's Policy to defend, settle and pay any judgment in Leon Rasachack, et al., On Behalf of Themselves and All Others

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Similarly Situated vs. First Alliance Corporation, et al., Case No. 796083, Superior Court of the State of California, County of Orange.

5. Administration of Redress Fund

5.1 The Defendants shall have no responsibility for, interest in, or liability whatsoever with respect to the Redress Fund, including investment or distribution of the assets in the Redress Fund, the determination, administration, or calculation of claims from the Redress Fund, the payment or withholding of taxes, or any losses incurred in connection therewith.

6. Coordinated Plaintiffs' Counsel's Attorneys' Fees and Reimbursement of Expenses

- 6.1 Counsel for the Coordinated Plaintiffs (excluding counsel for the Official Joint Borrowers Committee) and the National Association of Attorneys General may submit an application or applications (the "Fee and Expense Application") for distributions to them from the Redress Fund for: (a) an award of attorneys' fees; plus (b) reimbursement of expenses incurred in connection with prosecuting the Actions. Defendants and their counsel shall not challenge the amount, method for payment, or distribution of such fees.
- 6.2 The procedure for and the allowance or disallowance by the Court of any applications by any of the counsel to the Plaintiffs and/or the National Association of Attorneys General for attorneys' fees and expenses to be paid out of the Redress Fund are not part of the settlement set forth in the Stipulation, and any order or proceedings relating to such fees, or any appeal from any order relating thereto or reversal or modification

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thereof, shall not operate to terminate or cancel the

Stipulation, or affect or delay the finality of the judgment

approving the Stipulation and the settlement of the Actions set

forth herein.

- 6.3 Defendants and their Related Persons shall have no responsibility for, no liability, and no ability to object whatsoever with respect to, any payment to Plaintiffs' counsel and/or the National Association of Attorneys General from the Redress Fund.
- 6.4 Defendants and their Related Persons shall have no responsibility for, no liability, and no ability to object whatsoever with respect to the allocation among Plaintiffs' counsel, and/or the National Association of Attorneys General, and/or any other Person who may assert some claim thereto, of any fee or expenses that the Court may make in connection with the Actions.
 - 7. Conditions of Settlement, Effect of Disapproval, Cancellation or Termination
- 7.1 The Effective Date of the Stipulation shall be conditioned on the occurrence of all of the following events, and shall occur the first business day after the expiration of five (5) calendar days after the occurrence of the last of these events:
- (a) An Order has been entered authorizing the Related Debtors to enter into and consummate this Stipulation and such order either has become Final, or no part of such order has been stayed pending appeal;

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- (c) A Final Order has been entered certifying as against all Defendants pursuant to Rule 23(b)(3) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure an opt out class of all borrowers who obtained loans from or through Related Debtors from January 1, 1992 through the present;
- (d) A Final Order, after a hearing and notice to members of the Class, Non-Settling Defendants, and all other Persons whom the District Court determines are entitled to notice, approving pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 23(e) the settlement by the Class certified pursuant to Rule 23(b)(3);
- (e) The Confirmation Order has been entered by the District Court, and either the order has become Final, or no part of the Confirmation Order has been stayed pending appeal;
- (f) The Bar Order has been entered by the District Court, and either the Bar Order has become Final, or no part of the Bar Order has been stayed pending appeal;
- (g) The District Court has entered the Consent Decrees, which orders have become Final;
- (h) Unless this provision is waived by the Related Debtors and Brian Chisick, the District Court has entered an order, as applied for by the Defendants, which shall remain in place pending the conclusion of the opt out period of the class action settlement, providing, to the greatest extent permitted by the law, that no Person or attorney shall initiate contact with,

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- (i) The time within which Related Debtors, Brian Chisick, or MBIA may exercise the option to terminate the Stipulation pursuant to \P 7.6 hereof has expired without the option being exercised; and
- (j) In a form acceptable to the Settling Parties, the District Court has entered Judgments or final orders in the Actions, to the extent they are pending before it, (i) dismissing the Actions with prejudice to the extent required by I 2.13, (ii) containing the Bar Order, (iii) entering the Consent Decrees described in II 2.4 and 2.5, (iv) certifying the judgment to be final under Federal Rules of Civil Procedure Rule 54(b), and (v) either that judgment has become Final, or no part of it has been stayed pending appeal.
- 7.2 Upon the occurrence of all of the events referenced in ¶ 7.1 above, any and all remaining interest or right of Defendants in or to the Liquidating Trust Fund and the Redress Fund, if any, shall be absolutely and forever extinguished.
- 7.3 If all of the conditions specified in \P 7.1 are not met then the Stipulation shall be canceled and terminated subject to \P 7.7 unless Coordinated Plaintiffs and Defendants mutually agree in writing to proceed with the Stipulation.
- 7.4 The parties acknowledge that upon entry of the Bar Order the District Court will give the Non-Settling Defendants the benefit of any offset against any future judgments against them to which they are legally entitled. The Settling Parties

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agree that the determination of the issue of how the offset is to be calculated, including the calculation of the offset if any applicable to equitable subordination, will not affect the finality of this Stipulation so long as the District Court has entered a Bar Order. Any dispute regarding the offset shall be submitted to the District Court for determination.

In the event that the Bar Order described in \P 7.1(f) above, or any part or aspect of that order, is reversed on appeal, this Stipulation shall remain in force and effect, but Plaintiffs agree that any defendant, including without limitation the Non-Settling Defendants, being sued by any of the Plaintiffs, including by Members of the Class, shall be entitled to an affirmative defense in that action, without the assertion of a cross complaint, reducing the amount of its liability to Plaintiffs, or any of them, (including a reduction in the amount by which its claim is equitably subordinated) by the amount of that liability for which that Non-Settling Defendant proves that the Defendants, or any of them, are liable to it under any theory permitted by law. This clause is intended to benefit the Non-Settling Defendants. Plaintiffs, including Members of the Class, agree not to enter into any settlement with any Non-Settling Defendant entitled to assert the defense referred to in this paragraph without obtaining a release by such Non-Settling Defendant of all claims against the Defendants in substantially the form of the release by the Plaintiffs in favor of the Defendants.

7.6 Each of the Related Debtors, Brian Chisick, or MBIA shall have the option to terminate the settlement as set forth in

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the Supplemental Agreement. The Supplemental Agreement is incorporated into this Stipulation as though set forth in full herein and will be filed under seal with the Court.

In the event that the Stipulation is not approved by 7.7 the Court or the settlement set forth in the Stipulation is terminated or fails to become effective in accordance with its terms, the Settling Parties shall be restored to their respective positions in the Actions as of February 25, 2002. In such event, the terms and provisions of the Stipulation, any class certification order issued pursuant to this Stipulation, any representations and warranties made herein, and any definitions in Section 1 necessary to interpret or effectuate the foregoing Paragraphs, shall have no further force and effect with respect to the Settling Parties and shall not be used in the Actions or in any other proceeding for any purpose, and any judgment or order entered by the Court in accordance with the terms of the Stipulation shall be treated as vacated, nunc pro tunc. No order of the Court or modification or reversal on appeal of any order of the Court concerning the distributions from the Redress Fund or the amount of any attorneys' fees, expenses and interest awarded by the Court to the Coordinated Plaintiffs or any of their counsel shall constitute grounds for cancellation or termination of the Stipulation.

8. Miscellaneous Provisions

8.1 The Settling Parties (a) acknowledge that it is their intent to consummate this agreement; and (b) agree to cooperate to the extent reasonably necessary to effectuate and implement all terms and conditions of the Stipulation and to exercise their

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best efforts to accomplish the foregoing terms and conditions of the Stipulation.

- 8.2 The Settling Parties agree that the amount paid to the Redress Fund and the other terms of the settlement were negotiated in good faith by the Settling Parties, and reflect a settlement that was reached voluntarily after consultation with competent legal counsel. The Settling Parties reserve their right to rebut, in a manner that such party may determine to be appropriate, any contention made in any public forum that the Actions were brought or defended in bad faith or without a reasonable basis.
- 8.3 Neither the Stipulation nor the settlement, nor any act performed or document executed pursuant to or in furtherance of the Stipulation or the settlement: (a) is or may be deemed to be or may be used as an admission of, or evidence of, the validity of any Released Claim, or of any wrongdoing or liability of the Defendants and released Persons; or (b) is or may be deemed to be or may be used as an admission of, or evidence of, any fault or omission of any of the Defendants and released Persons in any civil, criminal, or administrative proceeding in any court, administrative agency, or other tribunal. Defendants and released Persons may file the Stipulation and/or the judgment approving the Stipulation in any action that may be brought against them in order to support a defense or counterclaim based on principles of res judicata, collateral estoppel, release, good faith settlement, judgment bar or reduction or any other theory of claim preclusion or issue preclusion or similar defense or counterclaim. In the event the Bar Order is reversed on appeal

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- 8.4 All agreements made and orders entered during the course of the Actions relating to the confidentiality of information shall survive this Stipulation.
- 8.5 The Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement, and the Consent Decrees may be amended or modified only by a written instrument signed by or on behalf of all Settling Parties who are signatories to those documents or their respective successors—ininterest, and approved by the Court.
- 8.6 This Stipulation is not intended to, and does not, alter, amend or modify any of the provisions of the Securitization Documents or the respective rights of the Trustees, MBIA, FSA or the Residual Certificateholders thereunder.
- 8.7 This Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement, and the Consent Decrees are integrated agreements and constitute the entire agreement concerning the settlement of the Actions between Plaintiffs and Defendants. This Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and the Consent Decrees supersede any prior written agreement, including without limitation the Term Sheet, and any prior or contemporaneous oral agreement, and cannot be interpreted, altered, or modified by reference to such agreements. No representations, warranties, or inducements have been made to any party concerning the Stipulation, the Supplemental Agreement and the Consent Decrees other than representations, warranties and covenants contained and

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memorialized in those documents. Except as otherwise provided herein, each party shall bear its own costs.

- 8.8 Counsel for the Representative Plaintiffs and the Class Members are expressly authorized by the Representative Plaintiffs to take all appropriate action required or permitted to be taken by the Class Members pursuant to the Stipulation to effectuate its terms and also are expressly authorized to enter into any modifications or amendments to the Stipulation on behalf of the Class which they deem appropriate.
- 8.9 Except with respect to the attorneys for the FTC, who sign subject to the approval of the Commission, and the representatives of the offices of the State Attorneys General, who sign subject to the approval of their respective Attorneys General, each counsel or other Person executing this Stipulation on behalf of any party hereto hereby warrants that such Person has the full authority to do so.
- 8.10 It is the express intent of the Settling Parties that this Stipulation end all litigation and provide complete peace among the Plaintiffs, the Defendants, and their Related Persons with respect to the claims or conduct alleged or that could have been alleged with respect to such conduct in the Plaintiffs' complaints, including the Official Borrowers Committee Complaint. In furtherance of that objective, all Settling Parties agree to be bound by an express covenant of good faith and fair dealing towards the other parties and not to induce or attempt to induce any other Person or entity to commence any litigation or other proceedings against the other parties hereto with respect to the claims and conduct alleged or that could have been alleged with

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1 respect to such conduct in the Plaintiffs' complaints, including 2 the Official Borrower's Committee complaint.

8.11 The Stipulation may be executed in one or more counterparts, and the Settling Parties acknowledge that any facsimile signature shall be treated for all purposes as if it were an original signature. All executed counterparts and each of them shall be deemed to be one and the same instrument. A complete set of original executed counterparts shall be filed with the Court.

8.12 The Stipulation shall be binding upon, and inure to the benefit of, the successors and assigns of the parties hereto.

8.13 The District Court shall retain exclusive jurisdiction with respect to implementation, interpretation, and enforcement of the terms of this Stipulation unless otherwise agreed, and all parties hereto consent to the jurisdiction of the Court for purposes of implementing and enforcing the settlement embodied in this Stipulation.

8.14 All dollar amounts referenced in this Stipulation are in United States Dollars.

8.15 This Stipulation shall be considered to have been negotiated, executed and delivered, and to be wholly performed, in the State of California, and the rights and obligations of the parties to the Stipulation shall be construed and enforced in accordance with, and governed by, the internal, substantive laws of the State of California without giving effect to that State's choice of law principles. Notwithstanding the foregoing the Bar Order shall be governed by federal law if the Court so determines.

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IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties hereto have caused the Stipulation to be executed, by themselves or their duly authorized attorneys as appropriate, dated as of February 25, 2002. 5 ACCEPTED AND AGREED TO: 6 7 Anne M. McCormick, on 8 behalf of the Federal Trade Commission 9 10 Hugh Hegyi, on behalf of the State of Arizona . 12 13 14 C. Smith, on behalf of the State of California .15 16 17 Stephen LeClair, on behalf of the State of Florida 18 19 James Newbold, on behalf of The State of Illinois 21 22 23 Judith Whiting, on behalf of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts 24 25 Alvin A. Narin, on behalf of the New York State Banking Department 27

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the undersigned (jointly or severally, if more than one) hereby make, constitute and appoint

my true and lawful Attorney for me and in my name, place and stead and for my use and benefit:

- (a) To ask, demand, sue for, recover, collect and receive each and every sum of money, debt, account, legacy, bequest, interest, dividend, annuity and demand (which now is or hereafter shall become due, dwing or payable) belonging to or claimed by me, and to use and take any lawful means for the recovery thereof by legal process or otherwise, and to execute and deliver a satisfaction or release therefor, together with the right and power to compromise or compound any claim or demand;
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- (d) To borrow money and to execute and deliver negotiable or non-negotiable notes therefor with or without security; and to loan money and receive negotiable or non-negotiable note or performance notes therefor with such security as he/she shall deem proper;
- (e) To create, amend, supplement and terminate any trust and to instruct and advise the trustee of any trust wherein I am or may be trustor or beneficiary; to represent and vote stock, exercise stock rights, accept and deal with any dividend, distribution or bonus, join in any corporate financing, reorganization, merger, liquidation, consolidation or other action and the extension, compromise, conversion, adjustment, enforcement or foreclosure, singly or in conjunction with others of any corporate stock, bond, by or to me and to give or accept any property and/or money whether or not equal to or less in value than the amount owing in payment, settlement or satisfaction thereof:

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NOTICE TO PERSON EXECUTING DURABLE POWER OF ATTORNEY

A durable power of attorney is an important legal document. By signing the durable power of attorney, you are authorizing another person to act for you, the principal. Before you sign this durable power of attorney, you should know these important facts:

Your agent (attorney-in-fact) has no duty to act unless you and your agent agree otherwise in writing.

This document gives your agent the powers to manage, dispose of, sell, and convey your real and personal property, and to use your property as security if your agent borrows money on your behalf. This document does not give your agent the power to accept or receive any of your property, in trust or otherwise, as a gift, unless you specifically authorize the agent to accept or receive a gift.

Your agent will have the right to receive reasonable payment for services provided under this durable power of attorney unless you provide otherwise in this power of attorney.

The powers you give your agent will continue to exist for your entire lifetime, unless you state that the durable or of attorney will last for a shorter period of time or unless you otherwise terminate the durable power of attorney. The powers you give your agent in this durable power of attorney will continue to exist even if you can no longer make your own decisions respecting the management of your property.

You can amend or change this durable power of attorney only by executing a new durable power of attorney or by executing an amendment through the same formalities as an original. You have the right to revoke or terminate this durable power of attorney at any time, so long as you are competent.

This durable power of attorney must be dated and must be acknowledged before a notary public or signed by two witnesses. If it is signed by two witnesses, they must witness either (1) the signing of the power of attorney or (2) the principal's signing or acknowledgment of his or her signature. A durable power of attorney that may affect real property should be acknowledged before a notary public so that it may easily be recorded.

You should read this durable power of attorney carefully. When effective, this durable power of attorney will give your agent the right to deal with property that you now have or might acquire in the future. The durable power of attorney is important to you. If you do not understand the durable power of attorney, or any provision of it, then you should obtain the assistance of an attorney or other qualified person.

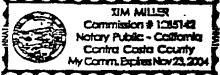
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By acting or agreeing to act as the agent (attorney-in-fact) under this power of attorney you assume the fiduciary and other legal responsibilities of an agent. These responsibilities include:

- 1. The legal duty to act solely in the interest of the principal and to avoid conflicts of interest.
- 2. The legal duty to keep the principal's property separate and distinct from any other property owned or controlled by you.

You may not transfer the principal's property to yourself without full and adequate consideration or accept a gift of the principal's property unless this power of attorney specifically authorizes you to transfer property to yourself or accept a gift of the principal's property. If you transfer the principal's property to yourself without specific authorization in the power of attorney, you may be prosecuted for fraud and/or embezzlement. If the principal is 65 of age or older at the time that the property is transferred to you without authority, you may also be prosecuted in der abuse under Penal Code Section 368. In addition to criminal prosecution, you may also be sued in civil court.

I have read the foregoing notice and I understand the legal and fiduciary duties that I assume by acting or agreeing to act as the agent (attorney-in-fact) under the terms of this power of attorney. GIVING AND GRANTING unto my said Attorney full power and authority to do and perform all and every act and thing whatsoever requisite, necessary or appropriate to be done in and about the premises as fully to all intents and purposes as I might or could do if personally present, hereby ratifying all that my said Attorney shall lawfully do or cause to be done by virtue of these presents. The powers and authority hereby conferred upon my said Attorney shall be applicable to all real and personal property or interests therein now owned or hereafter acquired by me and whatever situate. My said Attorney is empowered hereby to determine in his/her sale discretion the time when, purpose for and manner in which any power herein conferred upon him/her shall be exercised, and the conditions, provisions and covenants of any instrument or document which may be executed by him/her pursuant hereto; and in the acquisition or disposition of real or personal property, my said Attorney shall have exclusive power to fix the terms thereof for cash, credit and/or property, and if on credit with or without security. When the context so requires, the masculine gender includes the feminine and/or neuter, and the singular number includes the plural. WITNESS my hand this 10 day of 1000 eline of COUNTY OF personally appeared __ personally known to me (or proved to me on the basis of satisfactory evidence) to be the person(s) whose name(s) is/are subscribed to the within instrument and acknowledged to me that he/she/they executed the same in his/her/their authorized capacitylies), and that by his/her/their signature(s) on the instrument the person(s), or the entity upon behalf of which the person(s) acted, executed the instrument. WITNESS my hand and official seal. XIM MILLER Commission # 1015142 Notary Public - California Contra Costa County



We declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of CA that the person who signed or acknowledged this document is personally known to us (or proved to us on the basis of convincing evidence) to be the principal who signed or acknowledged this durable power of attorney in our presence.

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DECLARATION OF HENRY ARIAD

I. Henry Ariad declare as follows:

- I am the principal and owner of CPT Group, the court-approved Administrator for 1. the settlement entered into between the Coordinated Plaintiffs, the First Alliance Related Debtors and others (the "Administrator").
- On April 22, 2002 the Honorable David O. Carter, United States District Judge, 2. signed and filed his Order Granting Preliminary Approval of Class Action Settlement, Approving Form and Manner of Class Notice, and Scheduling Final Settlement Hearing. Paragraph 8 of that Order provides that "On or before June 14, 2002, the Administrator shall file with the Court and serve on all parties a list of the names and addresses of the persons who have requested exclusion."
- 3. In compliance with that Order, the Administrator hereby submits this declaration. Attached hereto as Exhibit "A" is a list showing the names and addresses of the persons who have timely requested exclusion from the noticed class action settlement.
- Attached as Exhibit "B" is a list showing the name and address of each person who 4. requested exclusion from the noticed class action settlement, but who did not do so in a timely manner. The requests for exclusion included on Exhibit "B" either were not postmarked on or before June 5, 2002, or (if not postmarked) were not received by CPT on or before June 5, 2002.

Executed on June 13, 2002, at Irvine, California.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the United States of America that the foregoing is true and correct.

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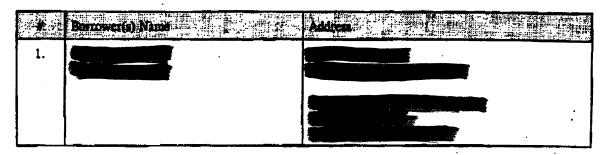


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