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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS  
OF THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA  

In the Matter of the Accusation of THE  
CALIFORNIA CORPORATIONS  
COMMISSIONER,  

Complainant,  

vs.  

CELEBRITY FINANCIAL, LLC, DBA SHERMAN OAKS CHECK CASHING;  
CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR;  
CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR DBA CANOGA PARK CHECK CASHING II; CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR DBA SUNSET BLVD. FINANCIAL SERVICES.  

Respondents.  

Case No.: 100-0930, 100-0931, 100-2363  

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT  

This Settlement Agreement is entered into between Celebrity Financial, LLC dba Sherman Oaks Check Cashing (“Celebrity”), Christopher F. Dunbar dba Canoga Park Check Cashing II (“Canoga”), Christopher F. Dunbar dba Sunset Blvd. Financial Services (“Sunset”), and Christopher F. Dunbar, an individual, (“Dunbar”) (collectively “Respondents”), on the one hand, and the California Corporations Commissioner (“Commissioner”), on the other hand, and is made with respect to the following facts:
RECITALS

A. Co-Respondent Celebrity is a limited liability company in good standing, duly formed and existing pursuant to the laws of the State of California, and authorized to conduct business in the State of California, doing business as Sherman Oaks Check Cashing.

B. Co-Respondent Celebrity is a deferred deposit originator licensed by the Commissioner pursuant to the California Deferred Deposit Transaction Law of the State of California (California Financial Code section 23000 et seq.) (“CDDTL”). Celebrity currently holds license 100-0930 issued under the CDDTL. The licensed location of Celebrity is at 15030 Ventura Blvd., # 20, Sherman Oaks, CA 91403.

C. According to the records of the California Department of Corporations (“Department”), Dunbar is a manager and partner of Celebrity and is authorized to enter into this agreement.

D. Co-Respondent Dunbar, an individual, is a deferred deposit originator licensed by the Commissioner pursuant to the CDDTL. Dunbar currently holds license 100-0931 under the fictitious business name Canoga Park Check Cashing II and license 100-2363 under the fictitious business name Sunset Blvd. Financial Services, both issued under the CDDTL. The licensed location of Canoga is 9015 Desoto Ave., Canoga Park, CA 91034. The licensed location of Sunset is 8174 Sunset Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90046.

E. Dunbar is the only owner of Canoga and Sunset and is authorized to enter into this agreement.

F. On October 5, 2009, the Commissioner personally served Respondents with a Notice of Intention to Revoke California Deferred Deposit Licenses and Bar Christopher F. Dunbar, Accusation to Revoke Deferred Deposit Transaction Licenses and Accusation to Bar Christopher F. Dunbar (“Accusation”), and accompanying documents dated September 28, 2009. Respondents have filed a Notice of Defense with the Commissioner on the above-referenced matter.

G. It is the intention and desire of the parties to resolve this matter without the necessity of a hearing and/or other litigation.

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the foregoing, and the terms and conditions set forth herein, the parties agree as follows:
TERMS AND CONDITIONS

1. This Settlement Agreement is entered into for the purposes of judicial economy and expediency, and to avoid the expense of a hearing, and possible further court proceedings.

2. Pursuant to Financial Code section 23045, Celebrity agrees to surrender to the Commissioner at the execution of this settlement agreement, its deferred deposit originator license, license 100-0930, and Dunbar agrees to surrender to the Commissioner at the execution of this settlement agreement, his deferred deposit originator licenses, licenses 100-0931 and 100-2363. The surrenders of licenses 100-0930, 100-0931, and 100-2363 will become effective immediately upon execution of this settlement agreement.

3. Dunbar agrees to issuance of an Order Barring Christopher F. Dunbar from any Position of Employment, Management, or Control of any Deferred Deposit Originator. Dunbar acknowledges his right to an administrative hearing under Financial Code section 23011.5 in connection with the Order Barring Christopher F. Dunbar from any Position of Employment, Management, or Control of any Deferred Deposit Originator, and hereby waives his right to a hearing, and to any reconsideration, appeal, or other rights which may be afforded pursuant to the CDDTL, the California Administrative Procedure Act, the California Code of Civil Procedure, or any other provision of law in connection with these matters.

4. The parties hereby acknowledge and agree that this Settlement Agreement is intended to constitute a full, final and complete resolution of this matter. The parties further acknowledge and agree that nothing contained in this Settlement Agreement shall operate to limit the Commissioner's ability to assist any other agency, (county, state or federal) with any prosecution, administrative, civil or criminal, brought by any such agency against Respondents based upon any of the activities alleged in this matter or otherwise.

5. Each of the parties represents, warrants, and agrees that it has received independent advice from its attorney(s) and/or representatives with respect to the advisability of executing this Settlement Agreement.

6. Each of the parties represents, warrants, and agrees that in executing this Settlement Agreement it has relied solely on the statements set forth herein and the advice of its own counsel and/or representative. Each of the parties further represents, warrants, and agrees that in executing
this Settlement Agreement it has placed no reliance on any statement, representation, or promise of
any other party, or any other person or entity not expressly set forth herein, or upon the failure of any
party or any other person or entity to make any statement, representation or disclosure of anything
whatsoever. The parties have included this clause: (1) to preclude any claim that any party was in
any way fraudulently induced to execute this Settlement Agreement; and (2) to preclude the
introduction of parol evidence to vary, interpret, supplement, or contradict the terms of this
Settlement Agreement.

7. This Settlement Agreement is the final written expression and the complete and
exclusive statement of all the agreements, conditions, promises, representations, and covenants
between the parties with respect to the subject matter hereof, and supercedes all prior or
contemporaneous agreements, negotiations, representations, understandings, and discussions
between and among the parties, their respective representatives, and any other person or entity, with
respect to the subject matter covered hereby.

8. In that the parties have had the opportunity to draft, review and edit the language of
this Settlement Agreement, no presumption for or against any party arising out of drafting all or any
part of this Settlement Agreement will be applied in any action relating to, connected, to, or
involving this Settlement Agreement. Accordingly, the parties waive the benefit of California Civil
Code § 1654 and any successor or amended statute, providing that in cases of uncertainty, language
of a contract should be interpreted most strongly against the party who caused the uncertainty to
exist.

9. This Settlement Agreement may be executed in one or more counterparts, each of
which shall be an original but all of which, together, shall be deemed to constitute a single
document. A fax signature shall be deemed the same as an original signature.

10. Each signator hereto covenants that he/she possesses all necessary capacity and
authority to sign and enter into this Settlement Agreement.

Dated: January 4, 2010

PRESTON DUFACHARD
California Corporations Commissioner

By______________________________

ALAN S. WEINGER
Deputy Commissioner

By__________________________________

CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR, Owner

Dated: December 31, 2009           Christopher F. Dunbar, an individual doing business as Canoga Park Check Cashing II and Sunset Blvd. Financial Services

By__________________________________

CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR

Dated: December 31, 2009           Christopher F. Dunbar, an individual

By__________________________________

CHRISTOPHER F. DUNBAR

APPROVED AS TO FORM:

BARNHOLTZ & KUGLER

By__________________________

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California Corporations Commissioner

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