

**UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND URBAN DEVELOPMENT  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

In the Matter of:	)	
	)	July 13, 2020
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A1 MORTGAGE GROUP, LLC	)	HUDOHA 19-AF-0168-MR-004
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Respondent.	)	
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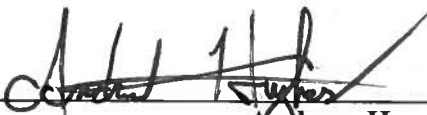
**SECRETARIAL ORDER**

On June 4, 2020, Administrative Law Judge (ALJ) Alexander Fernández issued an Initial Decision and Order (Initial Decision) finding the Respondent violated Federal Housing Administration (FHA) lender requirements by failing to maintain the minimum adjusted net worth requirement during fiscal year 2017 and by submitting a false certification to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) stating the A1 Mortgage Group was in compliance with all HUD requirements necessary to maintain its FHA lender approval.

Pursuant to 24 C.F.R. § 26.52(a), either party may file an appeal with the Secretary within 30 days after the date of the Initial Decision. In this case, either party had until July 4, 2020, to file an appeal with the Secretary. On July 2, 2020, Respondent filed a request for a 30-day extension to respond to the ALJ's Initial Decision due to workplace disruptions resulting from a positive case of COVID that required office evacuations, testing and cleaning. The Secretary or the Secretary's designee may extend the 30-day period to file an appeal with the Secretary in his or her sole discretion, for good cause. 24 C.F.R. § 26.52(a).

After consideration, I, as the Secretary's designee, find that in light of the coronavirus pandemic and the Respondent's need to address the health and safety issues stemming from a positive case of COVID in the office, good cause has been demonstrated to grant the request for a 30-day extension. Therefore, Respondent has until August 3, 2020, to file an appeal with the Secretary.

Dated this 13 th day of July 2020

  
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Andrew Hughes  
Secretarial Designee