## 38 Mortgage Lenders Who Are Bankrupt/Ceased Operations

This is a partial list of the total number of subprime and/ or mortgage lenders that have either gone bankrupt, or ceased most operations.

- **Maribella Mortgage**—Couldn't handle the rising buybacks, and went bankrupt March 15, 2007.
- **FMF Capital LLC**—Tried to sell-off operations, but couldn't. Went bankrupt March 9, 2007.
- **People's Choice Financial Corp.**—According to reports, "officially" went under March 14, 2007.
- **New Century Financial Corp.**—2nd largest U.S. subprime mortgage lender, forced to halt lending operations March 8, 2007. Is now in death-rattle.
- **Ameritrust Mortgage Company**—North Carolina-based company's subprime unit shuttered March 2007.
- Master Financial—Company website reports "will cease ... accepting new applications for mortgage loans." March 2007.
- **Trojan Lending**—California-based, went bankrupt March 2007.
- Fremont General Corporation—4th largest U.S. subprime lender, stopped making subprime loans in early March 2007; hanging by a thread.

- **Franklin Financial**—Alt-A mortgage lender, ceased most operations Feb. 28, 2007.
- **Resmae**—21st largest U.S. subprime lender; filed for bankruptcy Feb. 2007. Remains were bought by Credit Suisse.
- **ECC/Encore**—24th largest U.S. subprime lender, substantially reduced operations Feb 2007; sold in fire sale to Bear Stearns.
- **Deep Green Financial Inc.**—online home equity lender, went bankrupt Jan 2007.
- **Ownit Mortgage Solutions Inc.**—17th largest U.S. subprime lender, filed Chaper 11 bankruptcy Dec. 28, 2006.
- **Harbourton Mortgage Investment Corporation** (**HMIC**)—a mortgage banking operation, folded Dec. 20, 2006.
- MLN—19th largest U.S. subprime lender, went bankrupt Dec. 12, 2006; shards of remains bought by Lehman Brothers.
- **Sebring Capital Partners**—Carrollton, Texas-based; went bankrupt Dec. 4, 2006.

## **Ailing Lenders**

Home lending institutions, though they have not shut down, are significantly downsizing and/or in manifest financial (or other) distress, and could close down.

- **Accredited Home Lenders**—13th largest U.S. subprime lender exploring firesale-type options, which is often preparatory to closing, March 2007.
- Ocwen Loan Servicing-mortgage loan servicer and

- lender, that is being sued by individuals and U.S. government. March 2007.
- **Option One**—H&R Block owns Option One; Block now lists Option One in its own reports under "discontinued operations," March 2007.
- **Doral Financial Corp.**—Doral must either refinance \$625 million by July or face terminal cash crunch; March 2007.
- **Evergreen Investment/Carnation Bank**—Evergreen which is in financial trouble, also being sued by investors and investigated by state and Federal authorities; January 2007.
- **Aegis Mortgage Corporation**—Struggling company scaled back primary wholesale subprime operations, but company denies it has shut all such operations down; January 2007.
- **Coast Financial Holdings, Inc.**—A "diversified" lender, announced anticipating problems with loans to 482 home borrowers, totalling \$110 million; January 2007.
- Residential Capital, Llc (ResCap)—ResCap is subsidiary of General Motors Acceptance Corp. (GMAC). General Motors had to infuse \$1 billion into GMAC's ResCap subsidiary to cover \$1 billion of ResCap losses due primarily to non-performing subprime loans; March 2007.
- **Fieldstone Mortgage Company**—Closed 7 of 16 operations centers, and renegotiated covenants with lenders; January 2007.—*Richard Freeman*.

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