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ATTORNEY GENERAL MASTO: NEVADANS HURT BY FORECLOSURE ERRORS SHOULD APPLY FOR FREE, INDEPENDENT FORECLOSURE REVIEW

Submit an Application for Review by July 31, 2012

Carson City, NV – Nevada Attorney General Catherine Cortez Masto wants Nevadans whose homes were in foreclosure in 2009 or 2010 to know that the deadline to submit an application for a free, federal independent foreclosure review is July 31, 2012.

Ordered by the Office of the Comptroller of the Currency and the Board of Governors of the Federal Reserve, the independent foreclosure review will determine whether Nevadans and others around the country suffered financial injury and should receive compensation or other remedy because of errors or other problems which occurred during the foreclosure process.

"I encourage Nevadans hurt by foreclosure errors and who are eligible, to apply for a free review before the July 31 deadline," said Masto. "In doing so, beware of anyone who asks you to pay a fee for any foreclosure review service and immediately report those persons or companies to my office."

To be eligible, the foreclosure process must have been active between January 1, 2009 and December 31, 2010. The property securing the loan must have been a primary residence, and the mortgage must have been serviced by: America's Servicing Co., Aurora Loan Services, BAC Home Loans Servicing, Bank of America, Beneficial, Chase, Citibank, CitiFinancial, CitiMortgage, Countrywide, EMC, EverBank/EverHome Mortgage Company, Financial Freedom, GMAC Mortgage, HFC, HSBC, IndyMac Mortgage Services, MetLife Bank, National City Mortgage, PNC Mortgage, Sovereign Bank, SunTrust Mortgage, U.S. Bank, Wachovia, Washington Mutual, Wells Fargo, or Wilshire Credit Corporation.

More than 4.3 million forms and letters explaining the process were sent to eligible homeowners in 2011. Nevada residents who received a letter should be aware it is a

legitimate program. Forms and information are available at <u>www.independentforeclosurereview.com</u> or 888-952-9105 (between 8 am and 10 pm (Eastern), Monday through Friday, and between 8 am and 5 pm Saturday).

Not every finding will result in compensation or other remedy.

All requests for Review Forms must be submitted online or postmarked no later than July 31, 2012.

Anyone who wants to report an independent foreclosure review scam can contact the Attorney General's Bureau of Consumer Protection Hotline at 702-486-3132.

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