

## ALTLOAN

# Consultant Fee Agreement

This Consultant Fee Agreement ("Agreement") is made and entered into on this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 202\_\_\_ ("Effective Date"), and is made by and between BM Real Estate Services Inc., dba ALTOAN ("ALTLOAN"), and \_\_\_\_\_\_ [Consultant company name if company, individual name if natural person], a \_\_\_\_\_\_ [state] \_\_\_\_\_\_ [corporation, limited liability company, sole proprietor, etc.], ("Consultant"). ALTLOAN and Consultant are collectively referred to in this Agreement as the ("Parties").

## Recitals

WHEREAS, ALTLOAN is in the business of originating business purpose loans in certain states;

WHEREAS, Consultant is in the business of arranging loans, referring borrowers and other services in furtherance of the origination of those business purpose loans; and,

WHEREAS, in the course of Consultant undertaking such business, Consultant desires to send to ALTLOAN, and ALTLOAN desires to receive from Consultant, introductions to prospective borrowers for the purpose of assisting borrowers applying for and obtaining business purpose loans from ALTLOAN under one of ALTLOAN' s business purpose term loan, fix & flip, or bridge financing programs (a "Loan").

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein and the mutual covenants and agreements hereinafter set forth, for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, the Parties hereby agree as follows:

## **Consultant Agreement**

1. **Recitals**. The foregoing recitals are incorporated into this Agreement by reference.

2. **Term**. The term of this Agreement shall commence on the Effective Date and shall continue until one party gives notice of termination to the other party or as otherwise may be terminated as noted in Section 10 (the "Term").

3. **Consultant Duties**. Consultant shall perform the following duties pursuant to and in furtherance of this Agreement:

a. Furnish contact information to ALTLOAN from time to time on persons or entities (each a "Borrower") interested in obtaining aLoan.

b. Consultant agrees to provide ALTLOAN with direct access to Borrower for the purpose of obtaining necessary documentation and verification of information necessary to underwrite and close the Loan, including but not limited to, anapplication.

c. Consultant agrees to provide ALTLOAN with any and all documents in its possession required under the ALTLOAN underwriting guidelines, as well as additional documents as may reasonably be requested by ALTLOAN in its sole and exclusive discretion.

d. Consultant shall respond in a timely manner to all requests from ALTLOAN and to assist ALTLOAN in obtaining necessary information from Borrower or Borrower's representative in order to facilitate the underwriting and closing of theLoan.



e. Consultant agrees to provide to ALTLOAN copies of all material information in its possession regarding Borrower, sponsor, property portfolio and Loan and shall promptly forward to ALTLOAN any and all additional information regarding such Borrower, sponsor, property portfolio and Loan it may receive or obtain.

f. Consultant agrees to supervise, monitor and direct all activities performed by its direct agents and employees in accordance with applicable law, rule and regulation and the terms of this Agreement and shall indemnify ALTLOAN for any breaches thereof as more fully set forth herein below. All such agents and employees shall be identified by Consultant to ALTLOAN prior to ALTLOAN engaging in services with Consultant.

4. **ALTLOAN Duties**. Based on ALTLOAN' s own credit, collateral and other lending criteria, ALTLOAN may, in its sole and exclusive discretion, accept and review applications from Borrowers presented to ALTLOAN by Consultant. Consultant acknowledges and understands that ALTLOAN has not, by its execution of this Agreement, agreed to make any Loan to any Borrower presented to ALTLOAN by Consultant. Loan approvals will be determined solely in the discretion of ALTLOAN and ALTLOAN shall have no liability to Consultant or Borrower in the event ALTLOAN declines to approve any Loan application or to fund any Loan for any reason whatsoever.

5. **Independent Contractor**. Consultant is and shall remain an independent contractor with respect to ALTLOAN and its affiliates. No employment relationship or agency relationship exists or is intended to exist. Consultant shall not represent, directly or indirectly, to any Borrower or any other party whatsoever, that it is an agent, servant, or employee of ALTLOAN or its affiliates.

#### 6. Compensation.

a. For each Loan successfully closed and funded with a Borrower, ALTLOAN shall compensate Consultant in accordance with this Agreement as detailed in the most recently issued Consultant Fee Agreement – Addendum (the "Addendum") issued by ALTLOAN to Consultant <u>if allowed under applicable law, rule or regulation and if Consultant is not in breach under the terms of this Agreement</u>. For the avoidance of doubt, ALTLOAN shall make the final determination in its sole and exclusive discretion as to whether applicable law permits or prohibits payment of any commission or other compensation or whether Consultant is in breach of the terms of any applicable law or this Agreement. Such determination will be made in good faith.

b. Consultant acknowledges and agrees that ALTLOAN may change and/or amend the Addendum from time to time in its sole and exclusive discretion on a prospective basis only. Any change made by ALTLOAN after ALTLOAN' s receipt of a fully executed term sheet shall not affect Consultant's compensation unless a determination is made by ALTLOAN that payment of any compensation to Consultant is in violation of any law, rule or regulation or if Consultant is in breach of Consultant's obligations under the terms of this Agreement as stated herein.

c. Notwithstanding the foregoing, in the event that ALTLOAN receives multiple executed term sheets with respect to a Loan, then ALTLOAN shall only be obligated to pay compensation in connection with the last executed term sheet actually received by ALTLOAN and which term sheet ALTLOAN accepts to commence its review, due diligence and underwriting process.

d. ALTLOAN agrees to pay Consultant by wire transfer or U.S. mail at the address outlined herein the full sum of compensation earned within thirty (30) days after successful closing and funding of the Loan provided there is no breach of law or this Agreement.



e. <u>Consultant fees will only be paid to Consultant in accordance with applicable state and federal</u> law, rule or regulation and where Consultant is either a licensed mortgage broker or banker in jurisdictions requiring such licenses or in jurisdictions in which Consultants are exempt from licensing. The burden of proof of compliance with licensing in the jurisdiction where the Consultant is engaged in business *and* the jurisdiction where the subject property giving rise to the Consulting Fee is located is the sole and exclusive responsibility of Consultant.

f. **Consultant Representations and Warranties**. Consultant represents, warrants and covenants to ALTLOAN as of the time each Loan and Applicant information is submitted to ALTLOAN the following:

g. **Authority and Capacity**. Consultant has all requisite power and authority to execute and enter into this Agreement and to perform the obligations required of it hereunder. The execution and delivery of this Agreement and all documents, instruments, and agreements required to be executed by Consultant pursuant hereto, and the consummation of the transactions contemplated hereby, have each been duly and validly authorized by all necessary action of Consultant. This Agreement constitutes a valid, legal, and binding agreement of Consultant enforceable by ALTLOAN in accordance with its terms, subject to bankruptcy, insolvency, reorganization, receivership, or other laws affecting rights of creditors generally, and general equity principles.

h. **Organization**. Consultant is duly organized, validly existing and in good standing under the laws of the jurisdiction where it is organized.

i. **Duly Licensed.** <u>Consultant has all licenses necessary to carry on its business as it is now</u> being conducted and is duly licensed and qualified, where required by law, to the extent that <u>Consultant engages in the business of coordinating or arranging real estate-secured mortgage</u> loans that have a commercial or business purpose. Consultant is in full compliance in all respects with all regulatory and supervisory agencies having jurisdiction over the Consultant. In the event of any change in Consultant's licensing status, legal condition, or if any representation contained in this Agreement or otherwise submitted to ALTLOAN should change or no longer be accurate, Consultant agrees to immediately notify ALTLOAN consistent with this Agreement. The burden of proof of compliance with licensing in the jurisdiction where the Consultant is engaged in business **and** the jurisdiction where the subject property giving rise to the Consulting Fee is located is the sole and exclusive responsibility of Consultant.

## j. States ALTLOAN Lends, but within which Brokers Need to be Licensed

- States where ALTLOAN lends, but the Consultant needs to be licensed as a Mortgage Banker or Mortgage Broker to be eligible for a Consulting Fee: Arizona, California, Florida, Kansas, Michigan, Minnesota, Nebraska, Nevada, New Jersey, New York, North Carolina, and Oregon.
  - In California, Michigan, New Jersey, New York, and South Dakota, a Consultant would need to be a licensed real estate broker to receive payment from ALTLOAN of a consulting fee. See California Business Code 10131(d); Michigan Comp. Laws 339.2501; New Jersey Stat. Ann. 45:15-3; New York Real Property Law 440.
  - In Kansas and Nebraska, the 3<sup>rd</sup> party broker would need to be registered as a loan broker in the state to receive payment from ALTLOAN of a



consulting fee. See Kansas Stat. Ann. 50-1002; Nebraska Rev. Stat. 45-190.

• Licensing in Florida is only required for loans made to individuals. No license is required for loans made to corporate entities.

k. **No Untrue Statements**. Consultant has complied and shall comply with ALTLOAN' s lending criteria which is to originate loans for commercial or business purposes only and not for any personal, family or household use even though such loans may be secured by residential 1-4 family properties.

Moreover, none of the statements or information contained in any document submitted with or included in as part of any Borrower application or request for an extension of credit or in any document reviewed in connection with ALTLOAN' underwriting decision, whether provided directly by Consultant, the applicant or another third party, contains or will contain any misleading, false or erroneous statement, or omit facts necessary to make such statements or information accurate and understandable in every respect.

I. **Absence of Claims**. There is no claim, litigation, investigation (including but not limited to state, federal, or regulatory investigations), or proceeding (including but not limited to regulatory or grand jury proceeding) pending or threatened against or otherwise materially adversely affecting Consultant's business, performance of its obligations under this Agreement or the validity or enforceability of this Agreement and Consultant has no knowledge of any circumstance indicating that any such suit, investigation, or proceeding is likely or imminent.

m. **Absence of Third Parties**. Consultant has not dealt with any broker, investment banker, agent or other person or entity, other than its employees, that may be entitled to any commission or compensation in connection with presenting the borrower to ALTLOAN or who has otherwise worked with the prospective applicant for a Loan.

n. **Compliance with Laws.** Consultant has complied with, and will continue to comply with, all local, state, and federal laws and regulations applicable to Consultant's business, including but not limited to the compliance with all laws, rules and regulations applicable to anti-money laundering and related laws and regulations. Additionally, Consultant verifies the identity of and performs applicable sanction screening, OFAC checks and follows all other laws as it relates to the employment of and engagement of its employees and agents.

o. No Material Adverse Effect. For each Borrower introduced to ALTLOAN by Consultant, Consultant covenants and warrants that to the best of Consultant's knowledge, no condition exists and no event has occurred with regard to such Borrower that has, or with the passage of time will have, a (i) material adverse effect upon the operations, business, properties or condition (financial or otherwise) of the Borrower or any affiliate of the Borrower that is a party to any Loan document; (ii) material impairment on the ability of Borrower or any affiliate of Borrower that is a party to any Loan document to perform under any Loan document and to avoid any event of default thereunder; (iii) material adverse effect upon the legality, validity, binding effect or enforceability of any Loan document against Borrower or any affiliate of Borrower that is a party to any Loan document; or (iv) material adverse effect upon the ability of ALTLOAN to extend credit to any Borrower. In the event of any change in Consultant's licensing status, legal condition, or if any representation contained in this Agreement or Consultant segistration Form submitted to ALTLOAN should change or no longer be accurate, Consultant agrees to immediately notify ALTLOAN at the number supplied in the Registration materials of any such change.



7. **Right to Audit**. ALTLOAN reserves the right to audit Consultant's compliance with the terms of this Agreement and Consultant will cooperate with any reasonable requests by ALTLOAN to document Consultant's compliance.

#### 8. Non- Disclosure and Non-Disparagement.

a. Consultant agrees not to disclose the terms of this Agreement to any third party except as may be required by applicable law or the rules of regulatory organizations with appropriate jurisdiction; however, such terms shall not include the existence of this Agreement and the identity of the parties to this Agreement. Consultant will keep confidential and not disclose to any third party, except with the written consent of ALTLOAN, or as may be required by applicable law or the rules of regulatory organizations with appropriate jurisdiction, any proprietary or confidential information concerning the business of ALTLOAN that it acquires in the course of carrying on its obligations under this Agreement, including, without limitation, any information about a prospective borrower, borrower or closed Loan, and the terms of financing or structures of ALTLOAN' s business or any other details of ALTLOAN to a governmental or regulatory authority, the Consultant will immediately notify ALTLOAN so that ALTLOAN may take whatever action it considers appropriate under the circumstances.

b. Consultant or any affiliated party or employee thereof further agrees not to disparage or make any statements, remarks or other comments (including but not limited to, making or causing posts or comments in social media and similar forums) about ALTLOAN, its officers, directors, executives, affiliates or parent companies to any third party about its operations, business or proprietary rights. Consultant agrees that a violation of this section will be grounds for immediate termination of this Agreement and Consultant shall forfeit all commissions in process as a result of such breach as the damage caused to ALTLOAN shall be irreparable.

9. **Termination.** This agreement may be terminated by either ALTLOAN or Consultant at any time with or without just cause upon five (5) days prior written notice. Termination shall not affect or change the obligations of the parties to this Agreement with respect to any amounts that may be properly due and payable to Consultant relating to executed term sheets received prior to the date of termination or limit Consultant's duties or obligations to ALTLOAN under this Agreement. Further, this Agreement may be terminated by ALTLOAN immediately, with written notice to Consultant, if Consultant (i) defaults in the performance of this Agreement, (ii) breaches any of its representations or warranties (including but not limited to 7 (c), (g), and (h)), (ii) acts negligently, or if (iv) fraud, misrepresentation or collusion is discovered as to any Borrower. Upon such termination for cause, ALTLOAN' s obligations under this Agreement shall immediately terminate.

10. **Indemnification.** Consultant hereby agrees to indemnify and hold ALTLOAN free and harmless from and against any and all liability, expense, cost, loss or damage which ALTLOAN may incur by reason of any act or omission of Consultant or its employees or agents with respect to any of the representations and warranties made in this Agreement, the Loans and/or Borrowers referred, unless the same act or omission results from the gross negligence or willful misconduct of ALTLOAN, or its employees or agents, excluding anyConsultant. For the avoidance of doubt, Consultant agrees to indemnify and save harmless ALTLOAN and its successors and assigns from any claim, action, liability, loss, damage or suit arising from the presentation of any borrower by Consultant, <u>including but not limited to, fines and/or penalties</u>



assessed by a local, state or federal regulator asserting that Consultant was not properly licensed or authorized to Consult or arrange loans or to be compensated for such services. Where any claim is asserted, ALTLOAN shall provide Consultant with reasonably timely notice of same in writing. Thereafter, Consultant shall at its own expense defend, protect and save harmless ALTLOAN against said claim or any loss or liability resulting therefrom. Should Consultant fail to so defend and/or indemnify and save harmless, then, in such case, ALTLOAN shall have full rights to defend, pay or settle said claim on their own behalf without notice to Consultant for all fees, costs, and payments made or agreed to be paid to discharge said claim. Consultant agrees to pay all reasonable attorneys' fees necessary to enforce said indemnification. The obligation and covenant to indemnify as provided herein shall be unlimited as to amount or duration, and it shall be binding upon and inure to the benefit of the parties, their successors, assigns and personal agents and representatives.

11. **LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY**. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISION HEREOF, IN NO EVENT SHALL BM REAL ESTATE SERVICES INC., DBA NOREDTAPE, ITS AFFILIATES, DIRECT OR INDIRECT SUBSIDIARIES, AGENTS, EMPLOYEES OR REPRESENTATIVES BE LIABLE FOR ANY INDIRECT, INCIDENTAL, SPECIAL, PUNITIVE, EXEMPLARY OR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES OF ANY KIND, NOR FOR ANY LOST PROFITS OR REVENUES, IN CONNECTION WITH OR ARISING OUT OF THISAGREEMENT.

#### 12. Miscellaneous.

a. **Survival**. The representations, warranties, covenants, agreements and every other obligation contained in this Agreement shall survive the termination of this Agreement and the transactions provided for herein and shall be fully applicable whether or not ALTLOAN relies thereon or has knowledge of any facts at variance therewith.

b. **Notice**. Any notice to be provided under this Agreement by any party to another party may be affected either by personal delivery in writing, or by registered or certified mail (postage prepaid with return receipt requested), or by overnight delivery service by a commercially reputable service. Notices shall be addressed to BM Real Estate Services Inc., dba NOREDTAPE c/o ALTLOAN at 5016 N Parkway Calabasas, Suite 200, Calabasas, California 91302. Notices to Consultants will be provided to the addressee at the Business Address identified in this Agreement.

c. **Assignment.** Consultant shall not share, transfer or assign any or all of its rights or interests under this Agreement or delegate any of its obligations without the prior written consent of ALTLOAN. Consultant is independently reviewed and evaluated for purposes of meeting ALTLOAN's standards.

d. **Third Parties**. This Agreement is made for the express benefit of Consultant and ALTLOAN, not for the benefit of any third parties.

e. **Governing Law, Disputes, and Venue**. This Agreement shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the State of California without regard to choice of law provisions.

f. **Severability**. The invalidity or unenforceability of any provision within this Agreement shall in no way affect the validity or enforceability of the remainder of this Agreement or any other provision hereof.

g. **Modification; Waiver**. No oral modifications of this Agreement shall be effective, and no



delay or failure on the part of either party to insist on compliance with any provision hereof shall constitute a waiver of such party's right to enforce such provision. No amendments will be effective unless executed in writing. Nothing in this paragraph shall be interpreted to restrict ALTLOAN' s right to modify any Loan guidelines or to change the Addendum referenced in Section 6 above.

h. **Construction.** Whenever the singular number is used in this Agreement and when required by the context, the same shall include the plural and vice versa, and the masculine gender shall include the feminine and neuter genders and vice versa. The paragraph headings contained in this Agreement are for convenience only and shall not be construed as part of this Agreement.

i. **Attorneys' Fees**. In the event litigation shall be instituted to enforce any provision of this Agreement, the prevailing party in such litigation shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorneys' fees and expenses incurred in such litigation in addition to any other recovery to which such party may be legally entitled.

j. **Disputes as to Certain Terms**. In the event the terms of this Agreement are disputed by the parties, both parties agree that the terms shall not be interpreted against ALTLOAN merely because the Agreement was drafted by counsel for ALTLOAN.

k. **Entire Agreement**. This Agreement contains the entire agreement between the Parties with respect to the scope of services included herein and supersedes all previous written and oral negotiations, commitments and understandings.

1. **Counterparts.** This Finder's Fee Agreement may be executed in two (2) or more counterparts, each of which shall be deemed an original and all of which together shall constitute and be construed as one and the same instrument.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, the parties have each caused this Agreement to be signed and delivered by its duly authorized representative.

#### BM Real Estate Service Inc., dba NOREDTAPE, its successors and/or assigns:

5016 N Parkway Calabasas, Suite 200 Calabasas, CA 91302 Tel: (888) 533-4829 Attn: Bryan Campbell, SVP/CTO

Ву:	
Brent Houston	Date
Operations Manager	
CONSULTANT:	
Address:	
Tel:	
Email:	
Ву:	
Name:	Date

# **Consultant Background Authorization**

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Name:			Title:	
Years In Business:	Telephone:	Fax	email:	
Date of Birth:	f Birth: Social Security Number:			
Street Address:				
City:	State:	Zip:		



I/We hereby authorize BM Real Estate Services Inc., dba NOREDTAPE ("ALTLOAN") to obtain verification from any source as to the accuracy of the information provided herein and to obtain credit and background information as necessary regarding the Consultant and its principals as part of its approval process. I/We hereby release, discharge, exonerate and covenant not to sue any person or entity providing information to ALTLOAN in connection with this application and any recipient of such information including ALTLOAN or it representatives from any and all liability of very nature and kind arising from or in conjunction with the furnishing receipt and review of such information.

Signature of Consultant

Date

Printed name of Consultant

Title

BM Real Estate Services Inc., dba ALTLOAN retains the right to amend, modify or terminate any part or all of this Consultant Agreement at any time and for any reason it deems sufficient.