



# Mortgage Servicing and Lender Litigation

Mortgage lending and servicing can be a challenging business. Courts, legislative bodies, regulators, industry experts, consumer watchdog groups, and lawyers constantly generate new decisions, directives, and complaints that regularly change the industry's landscape. As part of an ever-changing industry, you must constantly wrestle with new and unknown obligations, risks and potential liabilities.

# Passionate and Dedicated Legal Partner

You need experienced and passionate counsel to help you manage these challenges. At Hinshaw, we define passion as having the commitment, conscientiousness, and resilience to succeed. We're ready to roll up our sleeves and get to work on developing creative legal solutions on your behalf.

This is more than a fad. We have been at this since well before mortgage servicing became a buzz word. Our experience allows us to provide you with tailored legal advice necessary to meet the latest challenges and get you back to your business.

We work with clients to create favorable law. In partnership with our clients, we establish precedential legal principles. For example, matters we have assisted the industry in defining:

- When foreclosure plaintiffs have the necessary standing to pursue a legal remedy in court;
- Which portions of the power of sale must be strictly complied with prior to foreclosure;
- The validity of Assignments of Mortgage;
- When an offer to modify creates a binding contract;
- That individual borrowers do not have standing to raise non-compliance with Pooling and Servicing Agreements; and,
- A note discharged in bankruptcy can confer standing to a subsequent assignee to enforce the mortgage.

# Our Client Service Philosophy

Our mission is to deliver highly effective and efficient client service. That means we want to get to know you, your culture, your business and your goals. Familiarity with your business allows us to tailor our service to your particular needs and objectives.

When you reinvent yourself, so do we. We have been a part of organizational shifts alongside our clients, whether that's servicing transfers, technology or platform changes, or regulatory mandates. We don't practice law in a vacuum

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because we appreciate that what we call a legal challenge is your operational hurdle. With all the need to adapt and pivot, we know what's most important at core: your customers. It's what drives your business, and it's what drives ours.

# National Reach. Local Approach.

Our team has a national reach with a local approach. Our Consumer Financial Services group is a unified team of lawyers with a shared relentless passion for client-focus and attention. We offer services across the United States, utilizing best practices to meet the challenges in each jurisdiction.

## **Our Clients**

Mortgage and lending industry participants we routinely represent include:

- · financial institutions
- servicers, sub-servicers, and specialty servicers
- investors
- mortgage insurers
- · warehouse lenders

Our courtroom experience includes cases in state, federal and bankruptcy courts throughout the nation. We routinely handle actions involving allegations related to wrongful foreclosure and eviction, both as class actions and individual actions. Our attorneys also manage multi-state litigation portfolios for servicing clients, including overseeing budgets, local counsel and underlying foreclosure and bankruptcy cases.

## Thought Leadership

Following industry trends and breaking news that impacts your business—and providing analysis to you about them—are a priority for us. We blog about these topics at Consumer Crossroads, and also publish a newsletter and client alerts. Our blog is our online community. We invite you to follow the conversation by subscribing at www.hinshawcfs.com.

#### **Related Practices**

- Regulatory and Compliance Counseling
- Consumer and Class Action Defense

## News

Brian McGrath Selected for Crain's New York Business 2024 Notable LGBTQIA+ Leaders
June 24, 2024

Peter A. Hernandez

Alexandria A. Kaminski

Mitchell S. Kurtz

Hale Yazicioglu Lake

Leah R. Lenz

Melissa N. Licker

**Matthew Lindsey** 

Savannah M. Loftis

Gabrielle Mannuzza

Stephen T. Masley

Walter McInnis

Michael J. McKleroy

Concepcion A. Montoya

Helen G. Mosothoane

Omar Mulamekic

Stephanie N. Mulcahy

John Alexander Nader

Ashley R. Newman

Jason J. Oliveri

Emilio Onolfi

Ellis M. Oster

Ronald H. Park

J. Michael Paulino Vanessa V. Pisano

Nicholas A. Ponzo

Ben Z. Raindorf

Alfredo "Fred" Ramos

Brent M. Reitter

Jessica A. Riley

Fernando C. Rivera-Maissonet

John P. Ryan

Megan E. Ryan

Anthony P. Scali

David M. Schultz

Donald W. Seeley Jr.

Eric J. Simonson

Mitra P. Singh

Gary D. Sonnenfeld

Evan N. Soyer



Lauren Campisi Featured on October Research's "Keys to Real Estate" Podcast: Fishing for Answers About Chevron Deference June 19, 2024

Fernando Rivera-Maissonet Selected to Participate in the ABA's 2024 Collaborative Bar Leadership Academy May 30, 2024

Hinshaw Adds Experienced Financial Services Partner Ellis Oster in New York May 29, 2024

Hinshaw Adds Experienced Financial Services Litigator in New York January 31, 2024

Fernando C. Rivera-Maissonet Appointed Chair of the Hispanic National Bar Association's Business Law Section

October 4, 2023

Hinshaw Expands Consumer Financial Services Practice with Two Partners and a Senior Counsel July 12, 2023

Samuel Bodurtha and April Villaverde Recognized as 2023 Client Service All-Stars by BTI Consulting

June 13, 2023

Hinshaw Expands Texas Presence with New Dallas Office and a Team of Financial Services Attorneys February 1, 2023

Brian McGrath Appears on CBS New York as Governor Hochul Mulls Whether to Sign New York Foreclosure Abuse Prevention Act August 2, 2022

Brian McGrath Recognized as a 2022 Crain's New York Notable Diverse Leader in Law

July 13, 2022

Hinshaw Adds Consumer Financial Services Partner Bonnie Dye in New Orleans

April 11, 2022

Brian McGrath Discusses Effects of New York Foreclosure Abuse Prevention Act on Lenders and Borrowers

March 31, 2022

Hinshaw Opens DC office, Adds Consumer Financial Services Partner March 25, 2022

Hinshaw Adds Veteran Financial Services Litigator in New Jersey and New York February 10, 2022

Hinshaw Partner Barbara Fernandez Recognized as Businesswoman of the Year by Coral Gables Chamber of Commerce November 29, 2021

Hinshaw Expands in Northeast Adding New Jersey Office and Eight Lawyers August 26, 2021

Claire Standish

Kyle B. Stefanczyk

Margaret S. Stefandl

Todd P. Stelter

Karena J. Straub

Mohamed F. Sweify

C. Charles Townsend

Whitney Uicker

Jennifer W. Weller

Brian S. Whittemore

Vanessa L. Williams

Brandon M. Wrazen

S. Sherry Xia

Sam S. Zabaneh

Mitchell E. Zipkin

#### **Related Services**

Consumer and Class Action Defense

**Consumer Financial Services** 

Regulatory and Compliance Counseling

The Telephone Consumer Protection Act



Hinshaw Partner Barbara Fernandez Profiled in DBR: the First Woman to Run Hinshaw's Miami Office June 10, 2021

Trio of Hinshaw Attorneys Explore TCPA Compliance Issues and the Impact of the Supreme Court Decision in MBA Presentation

April 22, 2021

Hinshaw Partner Barbara Fernandez Recognized as a 2021 Influential Business Woman by South Florida Business Journal

April 9, 2021

Carlos Ortiz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB Rescinds Policy on Identifying Abusive Acts or Practices March 22, 2021

Reviewing Landmark NY High Court Ruling in "Mortgage Prom" Litigation: Schuyler Kraus and Brian McGrath Provide Analysis in Law360 and American Banker

March 10, 2021

Vaishali Rao Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB Announces First Enforcement Action Under New Leadership March 8, 2021

Vaishali Rao Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB Releases Special Supervisory Highlights on Response to COVID

February 8, 2021

David Schultz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB, State AGs Reach \$85M Settlement With Mortgage Servicer December 21, 2020

Carlos Ortiz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: EDNY Judge Denies MTD in FDCPA Case Over Reference to Creditor in Letter

December 16, 2020

Hinshaw Client Success Named Among "Top Ten Most Influential ARM Cases" of 2020 by Collector Magazine December 2, 2020

"Getting to Know" Series: Hinshaw Partner David Schultz Profiled by AccountsRecovery.net November 16, 2020

David Schultz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB Stands Behind Collector for Itemizing Debt in Letter November 9, 2020

David Schultz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: CFPB Enforcement Actions Spike in Q3 2020 October 26, 2020

Carlos Ortiz Analyzes in ARM Compliance Digest: Defendants Settle Class Action FDCPA Suit October 20, 2020

John Ryan Discusses What Amy Coney Barrett's Nomination Could Mean for the ARM Industry and the TCPA October 13, 2020

Following Seila Law Decision, Fifth Circuit Considers en banc Whether Ratification is Sufficient to Protect CFPB Actions August 18, 2020

Hinshaw Adds Five-Partner Group with Consumer Financial Services, Bankruptcy, and Commercial Litigation Experience, and Extends Southern Roots with Louisiana Presence
July 20, 2020

Gretchen Sperry Previews Oral Argument in SCOTUS Review of CFPB's Constitutionality March 9, 2020



Hinshaw Adds Five Lawyer Group to Consumer Financial Services Practice in New York February 24, 2020

Hinshaw Client Success Named Among "Top Ten Most Influential Cases" for the AR Management Industry in 2019 by Collector Magazine

December 3, 2019

Hinshaw Adds Jennifer L. Gray to Consumer Financial Services Practice in California August 20, 2019

Client Success: Target Corporation Secures Dismissal of FDCPA Case involving Attorney Involvement Disclaimer July 23, 2019

Barbara Fernandez Named Partner-in-Charge of Hinshaw's Miami Office April 30, 2019

Hinshaw's David Schultz Receives Judicial Advocacy Award from ACA International July 20, 2017

Following Oral Argument, is CFPB Likely to Win PHH v. CFPB Constitutional Case? May 30, 2017

Hinshaw Announces Consumer Crossroads, a New Consumer Financial Services Blog April 24, 2017

## **Events**

Mortgage Bankers Association's Legal Issues and Regulatory Compliance Conference 2022 May 23, 2022 Miami, Florida

Peer-to-Peer Financial Services Forum: The Frontlines of Mortgage Servicing March 30, 2021 Virtual Event

Dustin Alonzo to Present on Advisory Opinions Under the new CFPB Debt Collection Rule December 10, 2020 Webinar

Maura McKelvey to Present at National Forum on Residential Mortgage Regulatory Enforcement & Litigation November 17, 2020 Virtual Event

David Schultz and Vaishali Rao to Address Q3 Uptick in CFPB Enforcement Actions November 10, 2020

David Schultz to Speak in CFPB ACA Huddle Webinar November 9, 2020

Mortgage Bankers Association's Legal Issues and Regulatory Compliance Conference May 6, 2019

New Orleans, Louisiana

Ellen Silverman Scheduled to Speak at insideARM Women in Consumer Finance Conference December 11, 2018 Baltimore, Maryland



#### Ellen Silverman Speaks at Residential Mortgage Regulatory Enforcement & Litigation Conference

October 22, 2018

Dallas, Texas

## **Publications**

Reasons for Optimism as Eleventh Circuit Revisits Hunstein and Doubles Down

October 29, 2021 | Consumer Law Hinsights - Special Edition

CFPB Announces Final Mortgage Servicing Rule to Help Borrowers Affected by the COVID-19 Pandemic Avoid Foreclosure

June 29, 2021

Consumer Financial Services Alert

In Significant Check on Federal Consumer Class Actions, U.S. Supreme Court Holds "No Harm, No Foul"

June 26, 2021 | Consumer Law Hinsights - Special Edition

Consumer Law Hinsights - April 2020

April 23, 2020

HECMs in the Regulatory and Congressional Spotlight

October 8, 2019

Consumer Financial Services Alert

HUD Issues Three New Mortgagee Letters for HECM Program Guidance

October 7, 2019

Consumer Financial Services Alert

Consumer Financial Services Newsletter - December 2016

December 21, 2016

Consumer Financial Services Newsletter - November 2016

November 22, 2016

Florida's Highest Court Says Each Default Resets Statute of Limitations for Foreclosure Actions

November 4, 2016

Consumer Financial Services Alert

Consumer Financial Services Newsletter - October 2016

October 28, 2016

CFPB Gives Preview of Changes Coming to the Collection Industry

August 3, 2016

Consumer Financial Services Alert

NY Strengthens Law Concerning Zombie Properties as Well as Good Faith Negotiations

July 25, 2016

Consumer Financial Services Alert

Consumer Financial Services Newsletter - May 2016

May 19, 2016

Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - January 2016

January 29, 2016

Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - December 2015

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Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - August 2015

August 24, 2015

Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - April 2015

April 30, 2015

Illinois Appellate Court Reviews the Rights of a Lender as a Mortgage Holder Under a Standard Mortgage Clause in an Insurance Policy

March 25, 2015

Corporate / Financial Institutions Alert

Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - March 2015

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Consumer & Class Action Litigation Newsletter - February 2015

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7th Circuit Holds That "Called Party" Means Current Subscriber of Cell Phone When Determining "Consent" Under the



#### **TCPA**

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