SHORT SALES

The Best Kept Secrets

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WHAT IS A SHORT SALE?

When a home owner owes more on a home than it is currently worth, one possible option is to work with the bank to accept less than the amount owed as full payment.



How Does a Short Sale Help?



- Loan is closed PAID IN FULL (usually with no further obligation)
- Seller's credit is not effected
- The short sale is not publicly posted

SHORT SALE MYTHS,

- Owner must be Late on payments
- Owner can only have a 1st mortgage
- Banks don't want to help
- A short sale takes
 120 days or more
- Bank won't discount much more than closing costs
- Agents never get a fair commission for all the work
- Short sale won't work if home is near or in foreclosure.

When Will A Bank Help?



The Owner Proves Hardship

- Loss of job
- Illness
- Divorce
- Financial distress
- Job Transfer
- Death

Can you think of any others?

Why Would A Bank Do It?

To Avoid Foreclosure



- Banks make money by barrowing from the Federal Reserve to lend to consumers
- Every non-performing loan (foreclosure) reduces the amount that a bank can lend to the public

Foreclosures affect the future profits of the lender!

To Avoid the Cost of Foreclosure

- Attorney fees
- Filing Fees
- Bailiff Fees
- Eviction Proceedings
- BPO Expenses
- Trash out Costs
- Maintenance Costs
- Securing costs
- Winterization Expense



Foreclosures Cost The Bank Unrecoverable Money!

There is a Difference



- HUD: Repossessed by the Feds
- REO: Bank Owned
- RELO: Relocation Company owned
- Corporate: Corporation owned

The Big Picture –Foreclosure



Judicial and non-Judicial Foreclosure

Judicial Foreclosure: The bank files a lawsuit to obtain a court order to foreclose.

Non-Judicial Foreclosure:
The mortgage contains a clause giving the lender the right to sell if the barrower defaults.

The Process in Missouri $NON\text{-}JUDICIAL \ \ \text{(unless no clause is provided in the mortgage)}$

PRE-FORECLOSURE

- The barrower defaults

- The lender notifies the barrower
 - Provides unambiguous warning that the foreclosure process is about to begin
- Lender begins scheduling of public auction
- The barrower has the right to pay off the debt at anytime before the sale and stop the foreclosure process

NOTICE OF SALE/AUCTION

· Notice must be Published

- Newspaper in County where the property is located
- County with City over 50,000 people: published daily starting 20 days before the sale to the day of the sale.
- Other counties, published once a week for four weeks with the last publication no more than one week prior to the sale.

The Process in Kansas - Judicial pre-foreclosure

- The barrower defaults
- The lender conducts a title search
- Lender files a petition with the court for foreclosure naming all other lien holders as defendants
- Petition is served to the barrower and all other defendants
- The barrow has 20 days to file an answer with the court. If none, a Journal entry of Judgment is filed
- Once filed, the barrower has 10 days to pay amount due before the sale can be scheduled

NOTICE OF SALE/AUCTION

- Notice must be Published in County where home is located
 - Advertised once a week for 3 consecutive weeks
 - The last publication being not more than 14 days but not less than 7 days before the sale
 - Notice must be sent to the barrower within 5 days of the first advertisement.

Foreclosure in Missouri & Kansas

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- The deed of Trust
 - who conducts the sale
 - When the sale occurs

Usually the sale is at the County Courthouse between 9am and 5pm

If the sale is postponed more than 7 days, the trustee must republish and resend the notice

Foreclosure (continued)

Missouri

At sale a Trust Deed is issued to the winning bidder

- Issued by a trustee to the highest bidder.
- Discloses on its face the opening or minimum bid and the final winning bid
- A Trust Deed transfers title free and clear of any liens or encumbrances (possibly subject to redemption rights)

Kansas

At sale a Certificate of Purchase is issued to the winning bidder

- Issued by the trustee to the highest bidder.
- States the name, the length of the redemption period, if any and the winning bid amount

After Redemption rights have expired, the winning bidder receives a sheriff's deed, which will vest good and perfect title to the property.

Foreclosure in Missouri (continued)

Right Of Redemption

Only available if buyer at sale was the lender.

Borrower Must

- give advance notice of intent to redeem at the sale or 10 days prior
- Post bond within 20 days after
 - · Bond is amount equal to
 - Mortgage interest
 2nd loan interest
 - One year taxes
 - Foreclosure expenses
 - Legal fees
 - Damages
 - 6% interest

If able to meet these requirements, an owner can redeem within one year by paying off amount owed plus any fees

Deficiency Judgments are rarely, if ever, allowed

Foreclosure in Kansas (continued)

Right Of Redemption

Available regardless of who won the sale.

- Redemption period for the barrow begins on the date of the sale
- To redeem, barrower must pay the amount of the highest bid in addition to applicable interest and other fees.
- If 1/3 of the principle loan balance has been paid, barrower has 12 months to redeem
- If the barrower has paid less than 1/3 of principle loan balance, the redemption period is 3 months.

Lenders may obtain (and usually do) a deficiency judgment against the barrower

Postpone or Prevent Foreclosure



- · Contact the Lender
 - Listed with a Realtor
 - Posted on the MLS
 - Progress reports of marketing efforts (if requested)
 - Fairly priced
 - On time payments

The bank can begin or reinstate the foreclosure at any time

Restructure

- Seller can't afford current house payment
- Seller is willing to make manageable payments
- No penalties
- No Extra interest
- Not permanent solution
- Monthly income vs. expenses must not be negative



How Do you know if a short Sale is a good Option for a Seller?



- Know the Story
- Qualify the Seller
- Be Honest about value
- Inspect the Property
- Know your market TODAY

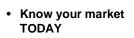
Qualify the Seller



Ask The Difficult Questions

- What Happened?
- How long has it been?
- Is your situation permanent?
- Are you behind on payments?
- Can you make your current payments?
- Are you willing to help me get you out of this property without having to bring a check to closing?

Your Responsibility





- Inspect the Property
- Be Honest about value in TODAY'S MARKET

At the Listing

- Fill out all the "regular" listing paperwork
- Get authorization letter signed
- Provide seller with a list of the items they need to gather
- Educate the seller on what comes next



Gather The Paperwork



- w-2's for the past 2 years 2 years tax returns (if self employed) 3 months recent bank statements
- 3 most recent pay stubs and/or income statements

- List of outstanding debt (total debt and monthly payments)
 Hardship letter
 401k, investments, stocks, additional real estate
 Any papers that further prove the situation (divorce papers, judgments, liens, notices, copies of bills)
 Listing agreement (with acceptable dates)
 MLS listing ticket
 Offer to purchase signed by all the parties

THE PROCESS



- Obtain Loss Mitigation
 Direct phone number &
 Direct fax number
- Have signed letter of Permission
- Fax letter to Loss Mitigation Department

Call The Lender

- 2-4 days later
- Have the loan number and last 4 digits of sellers social security number
- Confirm receipt of Authorization Letter
- Get a payoff quote or current balance (if there is no charge)
- Request a Short Sale Package (if available)



Things to Know



- BAD THINGS HAPPEN TO GOOD PEOPLE
- Business owners and tax returns
- Outstanding debt worksheet is a starting point

The Hardship Letter

- Must convey the seller's story
- Pointed
- A rough timeline
- Easily followed
- Well written



MARKET LIKE CRAZY until you get an offer

then the fun begins!

Accepting the Offer

- Have the seller accept the offer
- Get a HUD Statement
 - Do not include payoff
 - Configure taxes as of a 60 day closing date
 - If you must estimate, estimate high



HUD 1 Statement

- Continental will happily provide you with a preliminary HUD
 - They are not responsible for the figures: <u>YOU ARE</u>
 - Letter of release of responsibility





Get Confirmation from the Bank



- Do they have all that they need?
- How will they contact the parties if something is needed for the file?
- How long will they leave the file open?

Case Manager or Department Assignment



- Case Manager
 One person who handles the entire file
- Department Assignment

Case is assigned to an entire department.

Keep Marketing



- Per your MLS rules, continue marketing if allowable
- Encourage other offers (if possible)
- Submit new offers to the bank
- Notify old offers of new offers
 - Changes to old offers need to be rewritten as new offers with new net out sheets

Getting the Appraisal

- The Bank sends one of their appraisers/BPO agents
- You will be contacted to gain access to the property
- Be very nice
- Offer help
- Ask when it will be returned to the bank



The Bank Has A Goal



- To Make the investor "whole"
 - Compare Appraised value to offer price
 - Calculate what the bank has made on the loan
 - Original Loan Costs
 - Mortgage Insurance
 - Late fees
 - Interest

Let's Look at an Example

Loan Info

- \$100,000 Original sales price
- 100% financing
- 30 Years
- 7.5% interest Rate (fixed)
- Loan Origination date: exactly two years ago
- PMI: \$68.00 Monthly
- 3 late payments: \$35.00 each
- 24 payments made
- \$7,378.43 paid in interest (www.amortization-calc.com)
- Origination Fees: \$2320.00

\$68 x 24 months = \$1632.00

(\$35 x 3) + \$105.00

+ 2320.00 + 7378.43

Total Amount from Seller:

\$11,435.43

How it Breaks Down



Seller's balance: \$97,824.59 Costs for closing: +7590.00 New Sales Price: <u>-\$97,500</u>

-\$7914.59

Bank Profit to date:

\$11,435.43

<u>-\$7914.59</u>

Bank Profit:

\$3520.84

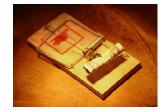
With the Short Sale

When It Doesn't Go That Smooth

The appraisal comes back favorable, but lender is still taking a loss

The Bank will Consider:

- Foreclosure timeline
- Foreclosure Costs
- Maintenance
- · Resale costs
- Eviction costs
- Liability of Non-performing loan
- What they can sell the house for once they get it back



The Possibilities



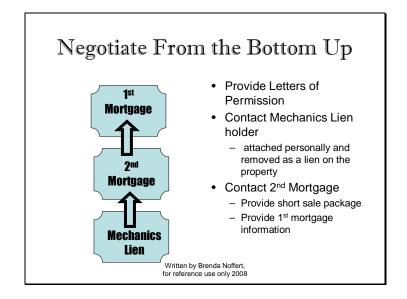
- The Bank may send the file to Committee
- The Bank may counter offer
- They ask/you offer to cut the commission



Title Liens

- Tax Liens always jump to the front
- Primary Mortgage holds 1st lien position
- Time/date stamp when received at the County Clerks Office





Tax Ramifications

Used to be that the seller may have to declare the amount that the bank has forgiven as ordinary income.

A new law was passed that elevates ALL of those issues!!!!



Short Sales and Credit Scores



- Conflicting Reports
- Other factors
- Bottom Line

Miscellaneous Helpful Info

- Family members and short sales
- Mortgage clearing houses
- New policies
- VA loans and the 88.2% rule
- Redemption period and subordinate liens



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Any questions?