- If you are getting a loan through a broker, make sure he/she is licensed.
- Read all of your documents and make sure you understand them before you sign them.
- To the best of your ability, pay your mortgage payments as scheduled.
- Make sure you are sending payments to the correct loan servicer. Remember that if the loan servicer changes, both your previous and new servicer must notify you of the change.
- If you have an impound/escrow account for payment of your property taxes and insurance, make sure those bills are actually getting paid.
- Check your servicing account from time to time to make sure that your payments are being applied correctly.
- Once you have paid off your loan, make certain that the lien is released.

# **GOVERNMENT AGENCY CONTACT INFORMATION Federal Agencies**

#### **Federal Communications Commission (FCC)**

Consumer and Governmental Affairs Bureau Consumer Complaints 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Phone: 1-888-CALL-FCC (225-5322)

Fax: 1-866-418-0232 Email: fccinfo@fcc.gov Website: www.fcc.gov

# **Federal Trade Commission (FTC)**

Headquarters/Financial Services Division 600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW

Washington, D.C. 20580

Phone: (877) FTC-HELP (382-4357)

Website: www.ftc.gov

#### **National Credit Union Administration (NCUA)**

NCUA Region V-Tempe

1230 W. Washington Street, Suite 301

Tempe, AZ 85281

Phone: (602) 302-6000 Fax: (602) 302-6024 Email: region5@ncua.gov Website: www.ncua.gov

#### Office of the Comptroller of the Currency (OCC)

Consumer Assistance Group 1301 McKinney Street, Suite 3450

Houston, TX 77010 Phone: (800) 613-6743 Fax: (713) 336-4301

Website: www.occ.treas.gov

#### **Office of Thrift Supervision (OTS)**

1700 G Street, NW

Washington, DC 20552 Phone: 1-800-842-6929 Fax: (202) 906-7342

Website: www.ots.treas.gov

# U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)\*

451 7th Street SW, Suite 9146

Washington, DC 20410 Phone: (202) 708-1455

# **Consumer Financial Protection Bureau (CFPB)**

Mortgage Payment Assistance or Consumer Complaints

Phone: (855) 411-2372

Website: www.consumerfinance.gov

# **State Agencies**

#### **California District Attorneys Association (CDAA)**

For a roster of California county district attorneys

Website: www.cdaa.org

# **Civil Rights Department**

Los Angeles Housing District Office 1055 West 7th Street, Suite 1400 Los Angeles, CA 90017

Phone: (213) 439-6703 Fax: (213) 439-6715

#### **Department of Corporations (DOC)**

Consumer Service Office 1515 K Street, Suite 200 Sacramento, CA 95817

Phone: (866) ASK-CORP (866-275-2677)

Website: www.corp.ca.gov

#### **Oakland Housing District Office**

1515 Clay Street, Suite 701 Oakland, CA 94612

Phone: (510) 622-2945 Fax: (510) 622-2956

Website: www.calcivilrights.ca.gov

# **Department of Financial Institutions (DFI)**

1810 13th Street

Sacramento, CA 95811 Phone: (916) 322-0622 Fax: (916) 445-2123

Email: consumer@dfi.ca.gov Website: www.dfi.ca.gov

## **Department of Insurance (CDI)**

300 South Spring Street, South Tower

Los Angeles, CA 90013 Phone: (800) 927-4357

Website: www.insurance.ca.gov

# **California Department of Real Estate (DRE)**

Mortgage Loan Activities 1651 Exposition Blvd. Sacramento, CA 95815 Phone: (877) 373-4542

Fax: (916) 263-8943 Website: www.dre.ca.gov

#### Office of the Attorney General (AG)

Public Inquiry Unit P.O. Box 944255

Sacramento, CA 94244-2550

Phone: (916) 322-3360 Website: www.ag.ca.gov

# **Bureau of Real Estate Appraisers (BREA)**

1102 Q Street, Suite 4100 Sacramento, CA 95811 Phone: (916) 552-9000 Website: www.brea.ca.gov