INFORMATION AND COMPLAINTS

Department of Real Estate – Find out whether a mortgage broker has a current license, how long the broker has been licensed, and whether DRE has ever taken any formal disciplinary action against the broker. www.dre.ca.gov

Department of Business Oversight – Find out whether a mortgage lender or banker has a current license and whether DBO has taken formal disciplinary action against the lender/banker. www.dbo.ca.gov

Consumer Financial Protection Bureau – Get information about loan estimate disclosures and settlement cost disclosures, RESPA and TILA requirements, and high-rate/high-fee loans.

www.consumerfinance.gov

Private attorneys – The State Bar Association has a referral service to provide a referral to lawyers who have asked to be listed with them. www.calbar.ca.gov/Public/LawyerReferralServicesLRS.aspx

Legal Aid – If you are on a fixed income or have a low income, you may qualify for a lawyer through your county's Legal Aid Office.