2020 Webinar RESPA Section 8 Update:

September 24

What Not to Do

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ection 8 of RESPA prohibits a lender or other party from paying or receiving a fee or other thing of value for the referral of a mortgage loan. Kickbacks and unearned fees are also prohibited. In contrast, paying for *bona fide* services is allowed. There is a tension between these provisions which can play out at several points for financial institutions.

Marketing services agreements between mortgage lenders and realtors or other settlement service providers can be sources of trouble. The CFPB issued guidance in 2015 warning supervised lenders to be careful about making payments for "marketing services" when the person performing the marketing services was also referring mortgage business to the lender. The Bureau showed it meant business in enforcement actions taken against Prospect Mortgage, ReMax and other parties in California in 2017.

Mortgage brokerage arrangements can also implicate RESPA Section 8. After all, what does a mortgage broker do besides refer mortgage business? (Answer: Perform defined compensable services as well). Even your compensation agreements with inside mortgage loan originators (MLOs) can bump up against Section 8 if salary, commissions and reimbursements are not structured carefully (this formerly abstruse concern raised its head in a recent examination).

This Webinar will include a recap of the basic prohibitions of Section 8 and a detailed discussion of what to do (and not do).

Highlighted areas will include:

- Refresher on basic prohibitions of Section 8
- Managing Section 8 compliance via your mortgage broker agreements
- What is a "thing of value" and when may we give or receive one?
- Applying Section 8 to third-party mortgage brokers and internal mortgage loan originators
- Recent renewed regulatory focus on Section 8

WHO SHOULD ATTEND?

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