OCCC CASE NO. L24-00062

IN THE MATTER OF:	§	BEFORE THE
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MASTER FILE NO.: 18468	§	OFFICE OF CONSUMER
FIJI FINANCIAL LLC	§	
d/b/a EASY TAX LOANS	§	CREDIT COMMISSIONER
10228 MIDWAY RD.	§	
DALLAS, TEXAS 75229	ş	STATE OF TEXAS

ORDER TO FILE TIMELY AND ACCURATE ANNUAL REPORTS

The Office of Consumer Credit Commissioner ("OCCC") issues this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports against Fiji Financial LLC d/b/a Easy Tax Loans ("Easy Tax Loans").¹

Statement of Facts and Law

Easy Tax Loans is a property tax lender licensed by the OCCC under Chapter 351 of the Texas Finance Code. Easy Tax Loans operates under master file number 18468 at one licensed location, under license number 150314. Easy Tax Loans' compliance officer is Douglas Brower, and its designated contact address is 10228 Midway Rd., Dallas, Texas 75229.

A property tax lender must file annual reports with the OCCC.² A property tax lender must comply with all instructions from the OCCC relating to submitting the report.³ The report is due by March 31 of each year for the prior calendar year's loan activity.⁴

Easy Tax Loans did not file its 2023 annual report by March 31, 2024, for one licensed location, under license number 150314.

¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208.

² Tex. Fin. Code § 351.164; 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 89.404.

³ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 89.404.

 $^{^4}$ 7 Tex. Admin. Code § 89.404; https://occc.texas.gov/industry/property-tax-lenders/property-tax-lenders-annual-reports

The Consumer Credit Commissioner ("Commissioner") may issue an injunction ordering a property tax lender to file one or more complete, accurate, and timely annual reports if the Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that the property tax lender is violating Chapter 351 of the Texas Finance Code.⁵

The Commissioner has reasonable cause to believe that Easy Tax Loans is violating Chapter 351 of the Texas Finance Code, and therefore issues this Order, because Easy Tax Loans failed to timely file its 2023 annual report.

Order

IT IS ORDERED that Fiji Financial LLC d/b/a Easy Tax Loans:

- 1. comply with, and cease and desist from violating, the reporting requirements set forth in Section 351.164 of the Texas Finance Code and Title 7, Section 89.404 of the Texas Administrative Code;
- 2. file its 2023 annual report within 30 days after the date of this Order, if it has not already done so; and
- 3. timely file complete and accurate future annual reports.

Property tax lender annual reports must be submitted through the OCCC's Application Licensing Examination and Compliance System (ALECS): alecs.occc.texas.gov. Instructions are available by clicking the "File Annual Report" button on the OCCC's home page, occc.texas.gov.

Violation of Order

If you violate this Order, the OCCC may impose an administrative penalty of up to \$1,000 for each day.⁶ Multiple violations may also result in the suspension or revocation of your license.⁷

⁵ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208.

⁶ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

⁷ Tex. Fin. Code § 351.156.

Right to Request Hearing

You have the right to request a hearing regarding this Order.⁸ To request a hearing, you must send a written hearing request to the OCCC no later than 30 days after the date of this Order.⁹ You must send your request to Vivek Vedanarayanan, Assistant General Counsel, by mail to 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, or by email to vivek.vedanarayanan@occc.texas.gov.

If you request a hearing, a hearing on this matter will be set and conducted in accordance with Chapter 2001 of the Texas Government Code. ¹⁰ If you fail to request a hearing by the deadline, this Order will be considered final and enforceable. ¹¹

All communications with the OCCC concerning this matter must be through Vivek Vedanarayanan, Assistant General Counsel, who may be contacted by mail at 2601 N. Lamar Blvd., Austin, Texas 78705, by telephone at 512-936-7623, or by email at vivek.vedanarayanan@occc.texas.gov.

Signed this 19th day of July, 2024.

/s/ Leslie Pettijohn

Leslie L. Pettijohn Consumer Credit Commissioner State of Texas

⁸ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

⁹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹⁰ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(b).

¹¹ Tex. Fin. Code § 14.208(c).

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I certify that on July 19, 2024, a true and correct copy of this Order to File Timely and Accurate Annual Reports has been sent to Fiji Financial LLC d/b/a Easy Tax Loans by regular mail and certified mail, return receipt requested, at:

CMRRR# 9214 8901 9403 8300 0064 8173 84 Fiji Financial LLC Attn: Douglas Brower, Compliance Officer 10228 Midway Rd. Dallas, TX 75229

CMRRR# 9214 8901 9403 8300 0064 8173 91 Fiji Financial LLC Attn: Douglas Brower, Registered Agent 4743 West Northwest Hwy., Suite 130 PMB 343 Dallas, TX 75220

/s/ Vivek V. Vedanarayanan

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