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Section 302 Borrower Organizational Structure

302.01 Single-Asset Entity

Requirements

You must ensure:

- the Borrower is a domestic single-asset entity formed for the sole purpose of owning the Property;
- if the Borrower is ultimately owned by foreign persons or entities, it has at least 1 domestic tier of ownership; and
- you review
  - the Borrower's complete formation documents, and
  - all amendments or restatements.

Guidance

As you analyze the Borrower and its organizational documents to confirm that it has been a single-asset entity since formation, consider the following questions:

- Can the Borrower acquire any additional real property, personal property, or assets?
- Can the Borrower participate in any business other than managing and operating the Property?
- Are the Borrowers assets or funds commingled with anyone elses? If so, can these assets or funds be separated and identified?
- Are the Borrowers financial statements, accounting records, and other organizational documents maintained with anyone elses?
- Has the Borrower assumed, guaranteed, or obligated itself to cover anyone elses liabilities?

Requirements

If the Borrower owns more than a single asset, the Borrower may still qualify as a single asset entity if you:

- Obtain an operating statement for each real property owned.
- Obtain proof that the Borrower has no existing debt secured by a Lien on

any of the Borrowers real property, other than a Mortgage Loan purchased by Fannie Mae.

- Obtain proof that no direct or indirect equity interest in the Borrower is subject to mezzanine financing.
- Ensure that the Loan Documents prohibit the Borrower from
  - acquiring any additional debt (except for supplemental debt on existing Fannie Mae loans),
  - increasing any existing debt, or
  - acquiring any additional real property.

Guidance

As you analyze the Borrower that owns more than a single asset, you should consider whether its other real estate assets are only

- multifamily properties, or
- other types of real estate that do not pose an environmental risk to the Borrower.

302.02 Co-Tenant Borrowers

Requirements

You must ensure that any Co-Tenant Borrower meets these eligibility requirements:

- the Borrower has no more than 10 co-tenants;
- no co-tenant is an individual; and
- each co-tenant:
  - is a single-asset entity complying with Part I, Chapter 3: Borrower, Guarantor, Key Principals, and Principals, Section 302.01: Single-Asset Entity;
  - is underwritten as a stand-alone Borrower;
  - complies with Part I, Chapter 3: Borrower, Guarantor, Key Principals, and Principals, Section 303: Key Principals, Principals, and Guarantors; and
  - has jointly and severally executed the Loan Documents.

302.02A Tenancy-in-Common Agreement

Requirements

You must ensure that a validly executed Tenancy-in-Common Agreement is in place prior to or at the Mortgage Loan closing.

You must review the agreement to ensure that:

- each co-tenant is bound by the terms of the agreement;
- the Property has a manager of its day-to-day business and affairs, which can be
  - a single co-tenant (or the Key Principal of such co-tenant) known as the co-tenant representative, or
  - a validly-appointed property manager; and
- distributions to the co-tenant representative are subordinate to
  - all payments under any Mortgage Loan secured by a Lien on the Property, and
  - the terms and conditions of any such Mortgage Loan.

Guidance

As you analyze the Tenancy-in-Common Agreement, consider the following questions. The term co-tenant also includes any Key Principal who has the rights of the co-tenant.

Representation

- Have the Co-Tenant Borrowers given the co-tenant representative the power to deal with the Lender through the Tenancy-in-Common Agreement or an irrevocable power-of-attorney?
- Has each Co-Tenant Borrower waived its right to reside in the Property?

Buy outs

- Does each Co-Tenant Borrower have buy out rights to any other co-tenant?
- Is each Co-Tenant Borrower financially able to buy out any other co-tenant?

Communication

- Does each Co-Tenant Borrower have a name, address, telephone

number, and percentage of ownership interest listed?

- Has each Co-Tenant Borrower agreed to promptly notify all other Co-Tenant Borrowers and you if their address or telephone number changes?
- Has a single Key Principal of the co-tenant representative agreed to receive any communication from you on behalf of all Co-Tenant Borrowers?

302.02B Key Principal Execution of Guaranty

☑ Requirements

You must ensure that:

- each Co-Tenant Borrower names at least 1 Key Principal; and
- if a Guaranty is required per Part I, Chapter 3: Borrower, Guarantor, Key Principals, and Principals, Section 311: Execution of Non-Recourse Guaranty, a Key Principal from each Co-Tenant Borrower must become a Guarantor and execute either a Non-Recourse Guaranty or Payment Guaranty.

302.03 Joint and Several Borrowers with Multiple Properties

☑ Requirements

If a Mortgage Loan not in a Credit Facility is secured by multiple Properties and any Property is owned by a different Borrower, you must require each Borrower to:

- execute a single set of Loan Documents with joint and several liability for the Mortgage Loan;
- comply with the single purpose entity requirements per Modifications to Multifamily Loan and Security Agreement (Co-Borrowers) (Form 6274);
- be owned, directly or indirectly, by the same Persons having the same percentage ownership interests;
- be Controlled by the same Sponsor or Key Principal;
- execute Form 6274, restricting Property Transfer/Assumption or release during the Mortgage Loan term;
- execute an acceptable Contribution Agreement complying with Form 6274; and
- if separate Security Instruments are recorded to encumber Properties in different counties, execute separate Modifications to Security Instrument

(Co-Borrowers) (Form 6322) for each Security Instrument.

Each Property securing the Mortgage Loan must:

- be in the same State; and
- comply with Part II, Chapter 1: Attributes and Characteristics, Section 103.01: Single Borrower Ownership.

Glossary

B

Borrower	Person who is the obligor per the Note. **Synonyms** • Borrowers • Borrower's

C

Co-Tenant Borrower	Borrower consisting of tenants-in-common that own the Property in equal or unequal shares. **Synonyms** • Co-Tenant Borrowers
Control	Possessing, directly or indirectly, the power to direct or cause the management and operations of an entity (e.g., through the ownership of voting securities or other ownership interests, or by contract). **Synonyms** • Controlling • Controlled • Controls
Credit Facility	Structured Transaction governed by a Master Credit Facility Agreement requiring Mortgage Loans and Properties to be • cross-defaulted, and • cross-collateralized. **Synonyms** • Credit Facilities • Credit Facility's

G



Guarantor	Key Principal or other Person executing a • Payment Guaranty, • Non-Recourse Guaranty, or • any other Mortgage Loan guaranty. **Synonyms** • Guarantors
Guaranty	Payment Guaranty, Non-Recourse Guaranty, or other guaranty by a Guarantor for the Mortgage Loan.
Guide	Multifamily Selling and Servicing Guide controlling all Lender and Servicer requirements unless a Lender Contract specifies otherwise. **Synonyms** • DUS Guide

K

Key Principal	Person who • controls and/or manages the Borrower or the Property, • is critical to the successful operation and management of the Borrower and the Property, and/or • may be required to provide a Guaranty. **Synonyms** • Key Principals • Key Principal's

L

Lender	Person Fannie Mae approved to sell or service Mortgage Loans. **Synonyms** • Lenders • Lender's

Lien	Lien, mortgage, bond interest, pledge, security interest, charge, or encumbrance of any kind. **Synonyms** • Liens
Loan Documents	All Fannie Mae-approved documents evidencing, securing, or guaranteeing the Mortgage Loan. **Synonyms** • Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Document • Mortgage Loan Documents

M

Mezzanine Financing	Subordinate debt financing provided to a direct or indirect owner of a Borrower that is secured by a pledge of the direct or indirect equity interest in the Borrower held by the owner, and not by a Lien on the Property.
Mortgage Loan	Mortgage debt obligation evidenced, or when made will be evidenced, by • the Loan Documents, or • a mortgage debt obligation with a Fannie Mae credit enhancement. **Synonyms** • Mortgage Loans • Mortgage Loan's

N

Non-Recourse Guaranty	Guaranty executed by a Key Principal on Form 4501 series or Form 6015 series, or approved by Fannie Mae. **Synonyms** • Guaranty of Non-Recourse Obligations

P

Payment Guaranty	Guaranty executed by a Key Principal on Form 4502 series or Form 6020 series, or approved by Fannie Mae.
Person	Legal person, including an • individual, • estate, • trust, • corporation, • partnership, • limited liability company, • financial institution, • joint venture, • association, or • other organization or entity (whether governmental or private). **Synonyms** • Persons • Person's
Personal Property	Furniture, fixtures, equipment, and other tangible personal property located on or used in connection with the Property.
Pricing and Underwriting Tier	Tier 1, Tier 2, Tier 3, or Tier 4 per the Multifamily Underwriting Standards (Form 4660). **Synonyms** • Tier
Principal	Person who owns or controls, in the aggregate, directly or indirectly (together with that Person's Immediate Family Members, if an individual), specified interests in the Borrower per Part I, Chapter 3: Borrower, Guarantor, Key Principals, and Principals, Section 303: Key Principals, Principals, and Guarantors. **Synonyms** • Principals

Property	Multifamily residential real estate securing the Mortgage Loan, including the • fee simple or Leasehold interest, • Improvements, and • personal property (per the Uniform Commercial Code). **Synonyms** • Properties • Property's

S

Security	MBS, PFP MBS, or REMIC. **Synonyms** • Securities
Security Instrument	Instrument creating a lien or encumbrance on 1 or more Properties and securing the Loan Document obligations. **Synonyms** • Security Instruments • Security Instrument's
Sponsor	Principal equity owner and/or primary decision maker of the Borrower (often the Key Principal or the Person Controlling the Key Principal). **Synonyms** • Sponsors • Sponsor's

T

Transfer/Assumption	Transaction changing the ownership of the Borrower or Property. **Synonyms** • Transfers/Assumptions

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