

#### FRANCHISE DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT



## **FRANCHISOR**:

Motto Franchising, LLC a Delaware limited liability company 5075 South Syracuse Street Denver, Colorado 80237-2712 (866) 668-8649 franchise@mottomortgage.com www.mottomortgage.com https://twitter.com/MottoMortgage www.facebook.com/MottoMortgage www.linkedin.com/company/motto-mortgage

The franchise offered is for the right to operate a Motto<sup>®</sup> business offering mortgage broker services using the Motto system.

The total investment necessary to begin operation of a Motto mortgage broker franchised business ranges from \$47,800 to \$68,100. This amount includes \$25,000 (\$26,500 if the initial franchise fee is financed) that must be paid to the franchisor or an affiliate.

This Disclosure Document summarizes certain provisions of your Franchise Agreement and other information in plain English. Read this Disclosure Document and all accompanying agreements carefully. You must receive this Disclosure Document at least 14 calendar-days before you sign a binding agreement with, or make any payment to, the franchisor or an affiliate in connection with the proposed franchise sale. Note, however, that no governmental agency has verified the information contained in this document.

You may wish to receive your Disclosure Document in another format that is more convenient for you. To discuss the availability of disclosures in different formats, contact the Contract Administration Department at 5075 South Syracuse Street, Denver, Colorado 80237-2712, or by telephone at (866) 668-8649.

The terms of your contract will govern your franchise relationship. Don't rely on the Disclosure Document alone to understand your contract. Read all of your contract carefully. Show your contract and this Disclosure Document to an advisor, like a lawyer or an accountant.

Buying a franchise is a complex investment. The information in this Disclosure Document can help you make up your mind. More information on franchising, such as "A Consumer's Guide to Buying a Franchise," which can help you understand how to use this Disclosure Document, is available from the Federal Trade Commission. You can contact the FTC at 1-877-FTC-HELP or by writing to the FTC at 600 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW, Washington, D.C. 20580. You can also visit the FTC's home page at www.ftc.gov for additional information. Call your state agency or visit your public library for other sources of information on franchising.

There may also be laws on franchising in your state. Ask your state agencies about them.

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# STATE COVER PAGE

Your state may have a franchise law that requires a franchisor to register or file with a state franchise administrator, or be exempt from registering, before offering or selling in your state. REGISTRATION OF A FRANCHISE BY A STATE DOES NOT MEAN THAT THE STATE RECOMMENDS THE FRANCHISE OR HAS VERIFIED THE INFORMATION IN THIS DISCLOSURE DOCUMENT.

Call the state franchise administrator listed in Exhibit H for information about the franchisor or about franchising in your state.

MANY FRANCHISE AGREEMENTS DO NOT ALLOW YOU TO RENEW UNCONDITIONALLY AFTER THE INITIAL TERM EXPIRES. YOU MAY HAVE TO SIGN A NEW AGREEMENT WITH DIFFERENT TERMS AND CONDITIONS IN ORDER TO CONTINUE TO OPERATE YOUR BUSINESS. BEFORE YOU BUY, CONSIDER WHAT RIGHTS YOU HAVE TO RENEW YOUR FRANCHISE, IF ANY, AND WHAT TERMS YOU MIGHT HAVE TO ACCEPT IN ORDER TO RENEW.

Please consider the following RISK FACTORS before you buy this franchise:

- 1. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES YOU TO RESOLVE DISPUTES WITH US BY LITIGATION ONLY IN COLORADO. OUT OF STATE LITIGATION MAY FORCE YOU TO ACCEPT A LESS FAVORABLE SETTLEMENT FOR DISPUTES. IT MAY ALSO COST YOU MORE TO LITIGATE WITH US IN COLORADO THAN IN YOUR OWN STATE.
- 2. THE FRANCHISE AGREEMENT REQUIRES THAT COLORADO LAW GOVERNS THE AGREEMENT, AND THIS LAW MAY NOT PROVIDE THE SAME PROTECTIONS AND BENEFITS AS LOCAL LAW. YOU MAY WANT TO COMPARE THESE LAWS.
- 3. YOU MUST MAKE MINIMUM MONTHLY PAYMENTS OF ROYALTY FEES AND ADVERTISING FUND FEES, REGARDLESS OF YOUR SALES LEVELS. YOUR INABILITY TO MAKE THE PAYMENTS MAY RESULT IN TERMINATION OF YOUR FRANCHISE AND LOSS OF YOUR INVESTMENT.
- 4. THE FRANCHISOR IS AT AN EARLY STAGE OF DEVELOPMENT AND HAS A LIMITED OPERATING HISTORY. THIS FRANCHISE IS LIKELY TO BE A RISKIER INVESTMENT THAN A FRANCHISE IN A SYSTEM WITH A LONGER OPERATING HISTORY.
- 5. PLEASE NOTE THAT APPROXIMATELY 70% OF THE FRANCHISOR'S ASSETS ARE INTANGIBLE. THIS MEANS THAT THE FRANCHISOR MAY NOT HAVE THE FINANCIAL RESOURCES TO PROVIDE SERVICES OR SUPPORT TO YOU.
- 6. THERE MAY BE OTHER RISKS CONCERNING THIS FRANCHISE.

Effective Date: See the next page for state effective dates.



# MOTTO FRANCHISING, LLC STATE EFFECTIVE DATES

The following states require that the Franchise Disclosure Document be registered or filed with the state, or be exempt from registration: California, Hawaii, Illinois, Indiana, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New York, North Dakota, Rhode Island, South Dakota, Virginia, Washington, and Wisconsin.

This Franchise Disclosure Document is registered, on file or exempt from registration in the following states having franchise registration and disclosure laws, with the following effective dates:

<u>State</u>	Effective Date
California	
Hawaii	
Illinois	Exempt
Indiana	October 27, 2018
Maryland	
Michigan	October 14, 2018
Minnesota	
New York	Exempt
North Dakota	
Rhode Island	
South Dakota	October 27, 2018
Virginia	
Washington	
Wisconsin	

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