

Tax year 2023  
 County ASHTABULA

BOR no. 0025  
 Date received \_\_\_\_\_

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 Rev. 12/22  
**JAN 25 2024**

**Complaint Against the Valuation of Real Property**

Ashtabula County  
 Board of Revision

Answer all questions and type or print all information. Read instructions on back before completing form.

Attach additional pages if necessary.

This form is for full market value complaints only. All other complaints should use DTE Form 2

Original complaint     Counter complaint  
 Notices will be sent only to those named below.

	Name	Street address, City, State, ZIP code
1. Owner of property	<u>Johnston, Charles + Susan</u>	<u>2042 Stumpville Rd</u>
2. Complainant if not owner		<u>Jefferson Ohio 44047</u>
3. Complainant's agent		
4. Telephone number and email address of contact person		

5. Complainant's relationship to property, if not owner

If more than one parcel is included, see "Multiple Parcels" Instruction.

6. Parcel numbers from tax bill	Address of property
<u>29-007-00-012-00</u>	<u>2042 Stumpville Rd</u>

7. Principal use of property AG,

8. The increase or decrease in market value sought. Counter-complaints supporting auditor's value may have -0- in Column C.

Parcel number	Column A Complainant's Opinion of Value (Full Market Value)	Column B Current Value (Full Market Value)	Column C Change in Value
<u>29-007-00-012-00</u>	<u>\$284,000.00</u>	<u>350,400.00</u>	<u>\$76,400.00</u>

9. The requested change in value is justified for the following reasons:  
The house was bought for \$284,000. It has not sold and you can't say if the house sold today it would be worth 350k. You can not speculate a sale of property when it is not for sale + you don't know what 50k off ASU-Veratah 100% + YOUR MATH FORMULA DOESN'T WORK.

10. Was property sold within the last three years?  Yes  No  Unknown If yes, show date of sale \_\_\_\_\_ and sale price \$ \_\_\_\_\_ ; and attach information explained in "Instructions for Line 10" on back.

11. If property was not sold but was listed for sale in the last three years, attach a copy of listing agreement or other available evidence.

12. If any improvements were completed in the last three years, show date \_\_\_\_\_ and total cost \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

13. Do you intend to present the testimony or report of a professional appraiser?  Yes  No  Unknown

14. If you have filed a prior complaint on this parcel since the last reappraisal or update of property values in the county, the reason for the valuation change requested must be one of those below. Please check all that apply and explain on attached sheet. See R.C. section 5715.19(A)(2) for a complete explanation.

- The property was sold in an arm's length transaction.
- The property lost value due to a casualty.
- A substantial improvement was added to the property.
- Occupancy change of at least 15% had a substantial economic impact on my property.

15. If the complainant is a legislative authority and the complaint is an original complaint with respect to property not owned by the complainant, R.C. 5715.19(A)(8) requires this section to be completed.

- The complainant has complied with the requirements of R.C. section 5715.19(A)(6)(b) and (7) and provided notice prior to the adoption of the resolution required by division (A)(6)(b) of that section as required by division (A)(7) of that section.

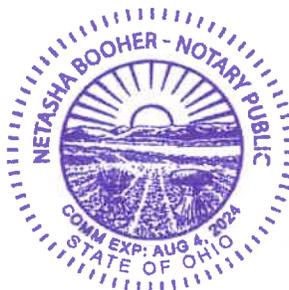
I declare under penalties of perjury that this complaint (including any attachments) has been examined by me and to the best of my knowledge and belief is true, correct and complete.

Date 1-25-24 Complainant or agent (printed) Charles Johnston Title (if agent) OWNER

Complainant or agent (signature) *Charles W. Johnston*

Sworn to and signed in my presence, this January 25, 2024 day of January 2024  
(Date) (Month) (Year)

Notary *[Signature]*



**Situs : 2042 STUMPVILLE RD**

**Map ID: 29-007-00-012-00**

**LUC: 111**

**Card: 1 of 1**

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**CURRENT OWNER**  
JOHNSTON CHARLES W TRUSTEE  
JOHNSTON SUSAN L TRUSTEE  
2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
JEFFERSON OH 44047  
  
CAUV Y  
Field Review Flag:

**GENERAL INFORMATION**  
Routing No. 007-00 012-00  
Class A  
Living Units 1  
Neighborhood 40000  
District  
Zoning  
Alternate Id



**Legal Description**  
**Parcel Tieback:** Addl. Tieback: N  
**Legal Descriptions:**  
2 S  
CAUV # 1812

**Land Information**

Type	Cd	Rate	Size	Acres	Dpth	Inf Fac	Inf %	Value
A	0	0	.4000		0			
A	S	10000	26.8770	25	0	1	-20	69,880
A	H	10000	1.0000	100	0			13,000
								82,880

Total Acres: 28.277      Legal Acres: 28.28      NBHD Fact: 1.3000

**Assessment Information**

	Assessed	Appraised	Cost	Income	Market
<b>Land</b>	10,070	82,900	82,900	0	0
<b>Building</b>	93,630	267,500	267,500	0	0
<b>Total</b>	103,700	350,400	350,400	0	0

**Manual Override Reason**  
**Base Date of Value**  
**Effective Date of Value**

**Value Flag** 1-COST APPROACH

**Current Value**

Year	Land	Building	Total Value
2020	63,800	191,000	254,800
2021	63,800	191,000	254,800
2022	63,800	191,000	254,800

**Permit Information**

Date Issued	Number	Price	Purpose	Note	Status

**Sales/Ownership History**

Transfer Date	Price	Type	Validity	Deed Reference	Deed Type	Grantor
10/22/21		2-Land And Building	E-Exempt Conveyance (Sale Price O		QC-Quit Claim	JOHNSTON CHARLES W
12/22/17	293,000	2-Land And Building	0-Validated Sale	651/170	SV-Survivorship	RUCK DENNIS N
01/13/17			E-Exempt Conveyance (Sale Price O	628/ 1557	SV-Survivorship	RUCK DENNIS N

**Entrance Information**

Date	ID	Entry Code	Source
02/12/14	DWP	6-Occupant Not Home	3-Other

**Property Notes**  
Note Codes:

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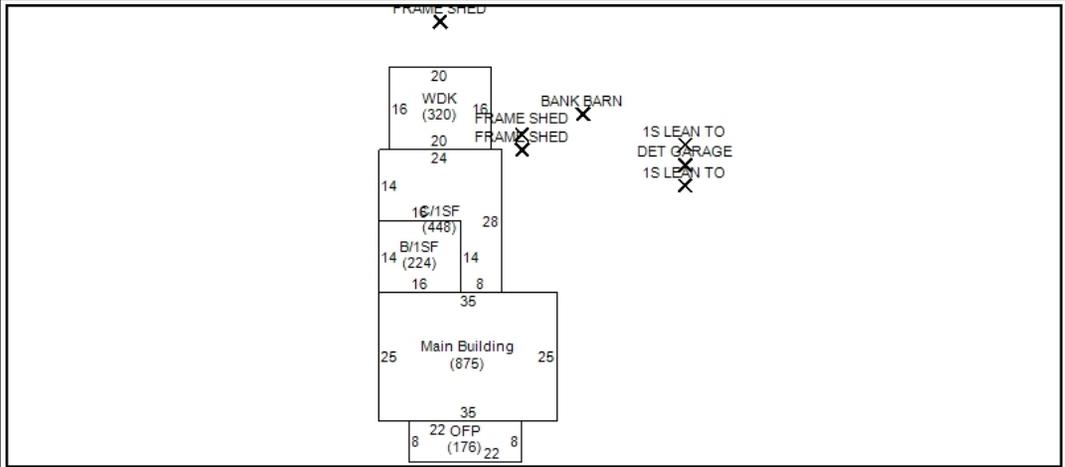
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**Dwelling Information**

<b>Valuation Method</b> D	<b>Total Rooms</b> 8
<b>Override Model</b>	<b>Dining Rooms</b> 1
<b>Story Height</b> 2	<b>Bedrooms</b> 4
<b>Construction</b> 1-Wood/Vinyl	<b>Family Rooms</b> 1
<b>Style</b> 05-Old Style	<b>Full Baths</b> 1
<b>Year Built</b> 1825	<b>Half Baths</b> 0
<b>Eff Year Built</b> 1980	<b>Add. Fixtures</b> 0
<b>Year Remodeled</b> 1994	<b>Total Fixtures</b> 6
<b>Kitchen Remod</b>	<b>Unfinished Area</b> 0
<b>Bath Remod</b>	<b>T2 Rec Rm Area</b>
<b>Lower Level</b> 4-Full Basement	<b>T3 Rec Rm Area</b>
<b>Heating</b> 3-Central A/C	<b>T4 Rec Rm Area</b>
<b>Heat Fuel Type</b>	<b>Fin Bsmt Liv Area</b> 0
<b>System</b>	<b>WBFP Stacks</b> 0
<b>Attic</b> 1-Unfin	<b>WBFP Openings</b> 0
<b>Phy. Condition</b> E-Very Good Condition	<b>WBFP Add'l Stry</b>
<b>Int vs Ext Cond</b>	<b>Prefab Fireplace</b>
<b>Well / Septic</b> 3	<b>Prefab Add'l Stry</b>
<b>Bsmt Gar # Cars</b>	
<b>Misc 1 Desc</b>	<b>Misc 1 Qty</b>
<b>Misc 2 Desc</b>	<b>Misc 2 Qty</b>
<b>Grade</b> C+1	<b>Cost &amp; Design</b> 0
<b>CDU</b> VG-VERY GOOD	<b>Functional</b>
<b>% Good Ovr</b>	<b>Economic</b> 100
<b>% Complete</b> 100	<b>NBHD Fact</b> 1.4
<b>GRM Econ Rents</b>	<b>GRM Factor</b> 1
<b>GRM Units</b>	<b>GRM Value</b> 0



**Additions**

Line	Low	1st	2nd	3rd	Area	Yr Blt	Eff Yr	Grade	%Comp	CDU	Value
0					875						
1	BSM	1SF			224						14,200
2	CSP	1SF			448						24,700
3		OPF			176						3,900
4		WDK			320						3,800

**Dwelling Computations**

<b>Base Price</b>	113,610	<b>% Good</b>	80
<b>Plumbing</b>	1,500	<b>Market Adj</b>	
<b>Basement</b>	17,380	<b>Functional</b>	
<b>Heating</b>	5,170	<b>Economic</b>	100
<b>Attic</b>	5,590	<b>% Complete</b>	100
<b>Other Features</b>	0	<b>C&amp;D Factor</b>	
		<b>Adj Factor</b>	1.4
<b>Subtotal</b>	143,250	<b>Additions</b>	37,300
<b>Ground Floor Area</b>	875	<b>Dwelling Value</b>	225,040
<b>Total Living Area</b>	2,422		
<b>Dwelling Notes</b>			

**Outbuilding Data**

Ln	Code/Desc	Yr Blt	Eff Yr	Size	Area	Gr	Qty	ModCd	PC	FN	MA	%Comp	Value
1	AB1-Bank Barn	1111	1950	40x50	2,000	C	1		F				12,100
2	RS1-Frame Shr	1990		10x12	120	C	1		S				400
3	RS1-Frame Shr	1111		0x0	1	C	1		S				
4	RS1-Frame Shr	1111		0x0	1	C	1		S				
5	RG1-Det Gara	2006		32x30	960	C	1	7	A				27,200
6	AL1-1s Lean Tc	2006		12x30	360	C	1		A				1,400
7	AL1-1s Lean Tc	2006		12x30	360	C	1		A				1,400

**Condominium / Mobile Home Information**

<b>Complex #</b>	<b>Level</b>	<b>MH Make</b>
<b>Type</b>	<b>Elevator</b>	<b>MH Model</b>
<b>Unit No</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Serial#</b>
<b>Condo Style</b>	<b>View</b>	<b>MH Title#</b>
<b>Cmplx Name</b>		<b>Park Code</b>

**Misc & Gross Bulding Values**

<b>Misc Building No</b>	<b>Misc Adjusted Value</b>
<b>Gross Building:</b>	

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**Comments**

<b>Number</b>	<b>Code</b>	<b>Status</b>	<b>Comment</b>
4	OFC	SS	NEW SURVEY 28.25 AC TO 28.277 AC CONV#5142 12-22-17
1	FLD	DC	19960116 C#01 - 11-21-95 RB REAR 24X28 IS NEW ADDN EST KIT & FAM RM INT +/-
2	FLD	DC	19960116 C#01 - 50% COMP 11-21-95.
3	FLD	RV	20080312 NW C#01 - 1/17/08 EST ADDED GAR AND L-TO AND WDDK FOR REVAL

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**ANGIE MAKI-CLIFF** Exhibit F- Evidence Presented by Owner  
**ASHTABULA COUNTY TREASURER**  
**DUE 02/21/2024**

**25 WEST JEFFERSON ST**  
**JEFFERSON, OH 44047**

FORWARDING SERVICE REQUESTED

<b>PARCEL ID:</b>	29-007-00-012-00
<b>PARCEL LOCATION:</b>	2042 STUMPVILLE RD
<b>TAX DISTRICT:</b>	LENOX TWP-JEFFERSON AREA LSD
<b>OWNER NAME:</b>	JOHNSTON CHARLES W TRUSTEE
<b>LEGAL INFORMATION:</b>	2 S / CAUV # 1812

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JOHNSTON CHARLES W TRUSTEE  
 JOHNSTON SUSAN L TRUSTEE  
 2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
 JEFFERSON OH 44047-8616



**OPT IN TO ESTATEMENTS**  
**SCAN THE QR CODE**

Gross Tax Rate 83.480000	Non-Business Credit Factor 0.085673	Acres 28.2770
Reduction Factor 0.430294	Owner Occupancy Credit Factor 0.021418	Class A
Effective Tax Rate 47.559023		LUC 111

TAX VALUES		CURRENT TAX DISTRIBUTION	
REAL ESTATE TAXES	8,656.90	ASHTABULA COUNTY	547.94
REDUCTION FACTOR	-3,725.02	JEFFERSON AREA LSD	1,922.26
SUBTOTAL	4,931.88	ASHTABULA CO SCH FINANCING DISTRICT	102.54
NON BUSINESS CREDIT	-422.54	A-TECH	166.14
OWNER OCCUPANCY CREDIT	-94.54	LENOX TWP	552.99
HOMESTEAD REDUCTION	-777.34	SOUTH CENTRAL AMBULANCE DISTRICT	214.39
CAUV RECOUPMENT	0.00	ASHTABULA COUNTY DISTRICT LIBRARY	97.97
		ASHTABULA CO METRO PARKS	33.23
CURRENT NET TAXES	3,637.46		
CURRENT ASSESSMENTS	9.50		
FULL YEAR TAXES & ASMTS	3,646.96		
HALF YEAR TAXES & ASMTS	1,823.48		
PENALTIES	0.00	SPECIAL ASSESSMENT	9.50
INTEREST	0.00	TOTAL	3,646.96
ADJUSTMENTS	0.00		
DELINQUENT GENERAL TAXES	0.00		
DELINQUENT ASSESSMENTS	0.00		
<b>FULL YEAR TOTAL</b>	<b>3,646.96</b>		
<b>PAYMENTS</b>			
<b>OTHER CREDITS</b>	0.00		
<b>HALF YEAR DUE</b>	<b>1,823.48</b>		
Tax Bill Prepared on 01/09/24			

100% APPRAISED VALUE		
Land	Building	Total
82,900	267,500	350,400
TAXABLE VALUE		
Land	Building	Total
10,070	93,630	103,700
Homestead	CAUV	TIF Value
18,305	28,780	0
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT		
PROJ AND DESCRIPTION	DELINQUENT	CURRENT
19005-9-1-1 EMERGENCY	0.00	4.50
19006-COUNTYWIDE RECY	0.00	5.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>9.50</b>

**TO AVOID 10% PENALTY PAY ON OR BEFORE 02/21/2024**  
 U.S. Postmarks are acceptable for timely payment  
 Cash, Checks, Money Orders & Credit Card Payments accepted.  
 Please see office phone directories on back of bill.

**AVOID LATE FEES**  
 PAY ELECTRONICALLY BY AUTO WITHDRAWAL. A MONTHLY SCHEDULE PLAN TO PREPAY TAXES IS ALSO AVAILABLE. INFORMATION CAN BE FOUND ON WEBSITE. WWW.ASHTABULACOUNTY.OH.TREASURER

Detach and return this portion with payment

<b>PARCEL LOCATION:</b>	2042 STUMPVILLE RD
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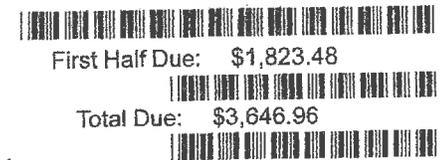
**REAL PROPERTY**  
**1ST HALF 2023**  
**DUE 02/21/2024**  
**TAX BILL PREPARED**  
**ON: 01/09/24**



SCAN HERE TO PAY

PAY THIS AMOUNT:	
<b>HALF YEAR:</b>	<b>1,823.48</b>
<b>FULL YEAR:</b>	<b>3,646.96</b>

29-007-00-012-00



Check box and use reverse side for mail address change

OFFICE USE ONLY

Check/MO \_\_\_\_\_  
 CC/Debit \_\_\_\_\_  
 Cash \_\_\_\_\_  
 Tax \_\_\_\_\_  
 Change \_\_\_\_\_

Make Checks Payable to:

**ANGIE MAKI-CLIFF**  
 ASHTABULA COUNTY TREASURER  
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 JEFFERSON, OH 44047

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**REAL PROPERTY**  
**2nd HALF 2022**  
**DUE**  
**07/19/2023**

**PARCEL LOCATION: 2042 STUMPVILLE RD**

**PARCEL ID: 29-007-00-012-00**

**TAX DISTRICT: LENOX TWP-JEFFERSON AREA LSD**

**OWNER NAME: JOHNSTON CHARLES W TRUSTEE**  
**JOHNSTON SUSAN L TRUSTEE**

2470 1 AV 0.471  
 JOHNSTON CHARLES W TRUSTEE  
 JOHNSTON SUSAN L TRUSTEE  
 2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
 JEFFERSON OH 44047-8616

**LEGAL INFORMATION: 2 S / CAUV # 1812**

Gross Tax Rate 81.980000  
 Reduction Factor 0.376374  
 Effective Tax Rate 51.124885

Non-Business Credit Factor 0.085173  
 Charter Occupancy Credit Factor 0.021293  
 Acres Class LUC

**TAX VALUES**

**CURRENT TAX DISTRIBUTION**

Real Estate Taxes	5,982.90	Ashtabula County	445.65
Reduction Factor	-2,251.80	Jefferson Area TSD	1,292.54
Subtotal	3,731.10	Ashtabula Co Sch Financing District	76.99
Non Business Credit	-317.80	A-Tech	111.72
Owner Occupancy Credit	-72.44	Lenox Twp	371.83
Homestead Reduction	-799.46	South Central Ambulance District	144.16
CAUV Recoupment	0.00	Ashtabula County District	73.56
Current Net Taxes	2,541.40	Ashtabula Co Metro Parks	24.95
Current Assessments	9.50	Special Assessment	9.50
Half Year Taxes & Asmts	2,550.90	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,550.90</b>
Penalties	1,275.45		
Interest	0.00		
Adjustments	0.00		
Delinquent General Taxes	0.00		
Delinquent Assessments	0.00		

PAID  
 ASHTABULA COUNTY TELLER  
 07/19/2023

**AVOID LATE FEES**  
 PAPERLESS BILLING AVAILABLE! SIGN UP  
 ON WEBSITE FOR EBILL AND PAY  
 ELECTRONICALLY BY AUTO WITHDRAW. A  
 MONTHLY ESCROW PLAN TO PREPAY TAXES  
 IS ALSO AVAILABLE. INFORMATION CAN BE  
 FOUND ON WEBSITE:  
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**FULL YEAR TOTAL** 2,550.90  
**PAYMENTS** 1,275.45  
**OTHER CREDITS** 0.00  
**AMOUNT DUE** 1,275.45  
 Taxbill Prepared on 06/05/23

100% APPRAISED VALUE		TAXABLE VALUE	
Land	Building	Building	Total
63,800	191,000	254,800	
Land	Building		Total
6,130	66,850		72,980
HOMESTEAD	CAUV		TIF Value
17500	17,520		
SPECIAL ASSESSMENT			
PROJ# AND DESCRIPTION	DELINQUENT	CURRENT	
19005-9-1-1-EMERGENCY	0.00	4.50	
19008-COUNTYWIDE	0.00	5.00	
<b>TOTAL</b>	0.00	9.50	

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File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932							
Borrower	Charles Johnston						
Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd	County	Ashtabula	State	OH	Zip Code	44047
City	Jefferson						
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA						

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The purpose of this summary appraisal report is to provide the lender/client with an accurate, and adequately supported, opinion of the market value of the subject property.

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Rd City Jefferson State OH Zip Code 44047  
 Borrower Charles Johnston Owner of Public Record Dennis N. Ruck County Ashtabula

Legal Description 2 S CAUV # 1812 Tax Year 2016 R.E. Taxes \$ 2,320  
 Assessor's Parcel # 290070001200 Map Reference Ashtabula 22-B2 Census Tract 0011.01

Neighborhood Name Lenox Twp. Special Assessments \$ 5  PUD HOA \$ 0  per year  per month

Occupant  Owner  Tenant  Vacant  
 Property Rights Appraised  Fee Simple  Leasehold  Other (describe)

Assignment Type  Purchase Transaction  Refinance Transaction  Other (describe)

Lender/Client Veterans United Home Loans/VA Address 1400 Veterans United Drive, Columbia, MO 65203-0000  
 Is the subject property currently offered for sale or has it been offered for sale in the twelve months prior to the effective date of this appraisal?  Yes  No

Report data source(s) used, offering price(s), and date(s). DOM 157; Per the NORMLS website, the subject is listed on 06/16/2017 for \$289,000 and reduced to \$284,000. MLS#3914701

I  did  did not analyze the contract for sale for the subject purchase transaction. Explain the results of the analysis of the contract for sale or why the analysis was not performed. Arms length sale; The original offer of \$284,000 on 10/18/2017 was accepted the same day.

Contract Price \$ 284,000 Date of Contract 10/18/2017 Is the property seller the owner of public record?  Yes  No Data Source(s) Auditors Web Site  
 Is there any financial assistance (loan charges, sale concessions, gift or downpayment assistance, etc.) to be paid by any party on behalf of the borrower?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, report the total dollar amount and describe the items to be paid. \$0;

**Note: Race and the racial composition of the neighborhood are not appraisal factors.**

Neighborhood Characteristics		One-Unit Housing Trends		One-Unit Housing		Present Land Use %	
Location <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	Property Values <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Declining	PRICE	AGE	One-Unit	75 %		
Built-Up <input type="checkbox"/> Over 75% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 25-75% <input type="checkbox"/> Under 25%	Demand/Supply <input type="checkbox"/> Shortage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Balance <input type="checkbox"/> Over Supply	\$ (000)	(yrs)	2-4 Unit	%		
Growth <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Slow	Marketing Time <input type="checkbox"/> Under 3 mths <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-6 mths <input type="checkbox"/> Over 6 mths	30	Low	3	Multi-Family	%	
Neighborhood Boundaries Holcomb Road North, The Township Line West, Brockway Road South, and Rte 11 East. The subject is located in Lenox Township with a Jefferson mailing address.		450	High	200	Commercial	%	
Neighborhood Description This area has a wide mix of property types and value. This area has some working farms, homes with larger tracts of land and vacant land. Local commercial support businesses are located to the Northeast in Jefferson. This area has average appeal in the market.		120	Pred.	60	Other	25 %	

There are no adverse conditions noted to affect marketability.  
 Market Conditions (including support for the above conclusions) Property values are stable at present. The demand and supply appear to be in balance.  
 Marketing time is 3 to 6 months, which is comparable to other competing nearby communities. V.A., F.H.A. and Conventional financing available in this area.

Dimensions 494 x 2520/2508 x 449 Per Realist Area 26.25 ac Shape Rectangular View N;Res;  
 Specific Zoning Classification R-1 Zoning Description Residential/Agricultural  
 Zoning Compliance  Legal  Legal Nonconforming (Grandfathered Use)  No Zoning  Illegal (describe)  
 Is the highest and best use of subject property as improved (or as proposed per plans and specifications) the present use?  Yes  No If No, describe

Utilities	Public	Other (describe)	Public	Other (describe)	Off-site Improvements - Type	Public	Private
Electricity	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	100 AMP	Water	<input type="checkbox"/>	Street	Asphalt	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
Gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	Well on Site	Sanitary Sewer	<input type="checkbox"/>	Alley	None	<input type="checkbox"/>
FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No	FEMA Flood Zone	X	FEMA Map #	39007C0285D	FEMA Map Date	12/18/2007
Are the utilities and off-site improvements typical for the market area?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, describe						
Are there any adverse site conditions or external factors (basements, encroachments, environmental conditions, land uses, etc.)?	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, describe						

General Description	Foundation	Exterior Description	materials/condition	Interior	materials/condition
Units <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One <input type="checkbox"/> One with Accessory Unit	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Slab <input type="checkbox"/> Crawl Space	Foundation Walls	Stone/Block/Average	Floors	Hdwd/Carpet/Good
# of Stories 2	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Basement <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Basement	Exterior Walls	Vinyl/Good	Walls	Plaster/Drywall/Good
Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Det. <input type="checkbox"/> Att. <input type="checkbox"/> S-Det./End Unit	Basement Area 1,076 sq.ft.	Roof Surface	Asphalt/Shngl/Good	Trim/Finish	Oak/Good
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Under Const.	Basement Finish 0 %	Gutters & Downspouts	Aluminum/Good	Bath Floor	Ceramic/Good
Design (Style) Colonial	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Entry/Exit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump	Window Type	Double Hung/Good	Bath Wainscot	Ceramic/Good
Year Built 1825	Evidence of <input type="checkbox"/> Infestation	Storm Sash/Insulated	Vinyl/Therm/Good	Car Storage	None
Effective Age (Yrs) 30	<input type="checkbox"/> Dampness <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement	Screens	Cloth/Good	Driveway # of Cars	8
Attic <input type="checkbox"/> None	Heating <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWA <input type="checkbox"/> HWBB <input type="checkbox"/> Radiant	Amenities	Woodstove(s) # 0	Driveway Surface	Gravel
<input type="checkbox"/> Drop Stair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Fuel Gas	Fireplace(s) # 1	Fence None	Garage # of Cars	2
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Floor <input type="checkbox"/> Scuttle	Cooling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Air Conditioning	Patio/Deck Rear	Porch Front	Carport # of Cars	0
<input type="checkbox"/> Finished <input type="checkbox"/> Heated	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Other	Pool None	Other Out Bldg	Att. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Det. <input type="checkbox"/> Built-in	
Appliances <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Refrigerator <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Range/Oven <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Dishwasher <input type="checkbox"/> Disposal <input type="checkbox"/> Microwave <input type="checkbox"/> Washer/Dryer <input type="checkbox"/> Other (describe)					
Finished area above grade contains: 9 Rooms 4 Bedrooms 1.0 Bath(s) 2,464 Square Feet of Gross Living Area Above Grade					
Additional features (special energy efficient items, etc.). Thermopane windows					
Describe the condition of the property (including needed repairs, deterioration, renovations, remodeling, etc.). C3;Kitchen-remodeled-one to five years ago;Bathrooms-remodeled-less than one year ago;See attached addenda.					
Are there any physical deficiencies or adverse conditions that affect the livability, soundness, or structural integrity of the property? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No If Yes, describe					
Does the property generally conform to the neighborhood (functional utility, style, condition, use, construction, etc.)? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If No, describe					

**Uniform Residential Appraisal Report**

FIRB LAPP 2025081111002

There are	9	comparable properties currently offered for sale in the subject neighborhood ranging in price from \$	244,900	to \$	375,000
There are	8	comparable sales in the subject neighborhood within the past twelve months ranging in sale price from \$	252,500	to \$	335,000
				COMPARABLE SALE # 2	COMPARABLE SALE # 3
FEATURE	SUBJECT	COMPARABLE SALE # 1		COMPARABLE SALE # 2	
Address	2042 Stumpville Rd Jefferson, OH 44047	4989 State Route 307 E Geneva, OH 44041		982 Mechanicsville Rd Rock Creek, OH 44084	
Proximity to Subject		8.57 miles NW		6.70 miles NW	
Sale Price	\$ 284,000	\$ 262,500		\$ 310,000	
Sale Price/Gross Liv. Area	\$ 115.26 sq.ft.	\$ 124.17 sq.ft.		\$ 150.97 sq.ft.	
Data Source(s)		Normls#3787367;DOM 1667		NORMLS#3876477;DOM 94	
Verification Source(s)		Auditors website		Auditors Website/File	
VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjustment	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjustment
Sales or Financing Concessions		ArmLth Cash:0		ArmLth Conv:0	ArmLth VA:0
Date of Sale/Time		s11/16;Unk		s05/17;Unk	s08/17;c08/17
Location	N;Res;	N;Res;		N;Res;	N;Res;
Leaschold/Fee Simple	Fee Simple	Fee Simple		Fee Simple	Fee Simple
Site	28.25 ac	2.35 ac	+51,800	12.13 ac	15.04 ac
View	N;Res;	N;Res;		N;Res;	N;Res;
Design (Style)	DT2:Colonial	DT2:Colonial		DT2:Colonial	DT2:Contempora
Quality of Construction	Q3	Q3		Q3	Q3
Actual Age	192	177	0	20	18
Condition	C3	C2	-30,000	C3	C3
Above Grade Room Count	Total Bdrms. Baths 9 4 1.0	Total Bdrms. Baths 7 4 2.1	-6,000	Total Bdrms. Baths 6 3 2.1	Total Bdrms. Baths 7 3 2.1
Gross Living Area	2,464 sq.ft.	2,114 sq.ft.	+7,000	2,166 sq.ft.	2,219 sq.ft.
Basement & Finished Rooms Below Grade	1076sf0sfin	650sf0sfin	0	1131sf0sfin	1643sf575sfwu 1rr0br0.0ba0o
Functional Utility	Average	Average		Average	Average
Heating/Cooling	FWA/CAC	Bsbd/None	0	FWA/CAC	FWA/CAC
Energy Efficient Items	Therm Windows	Ins Windows		0 Ins Windows	0 Therm Window
Garage/Carport	2gd8dw	2qa2dw	+3,000	3qa3dw	0 2qa6dw
Porch/Patio/Deck	Patio, Deck, Fp	Patio, Deck, Fp		Deck, Porch, Fp	0 Pat, Pr, Fp wdst
Amenities	Barn 42x50	None	+5,000	Out Bldg (4)	-15,000 30x34/OutBldg
Original List Price	\$289,000	\$279,000	0	\$319,900	0 \$335,000
Net Adjustment (Total)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + <input type="checkbox"/> - \$ 30,800		<input type="checkbox"/> + <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> - \$ -17,800	<input type="checkbox"/> + <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> - \$ -8,700
Adjusted Sale Price of Comparables		Net Adj. 11.7% Gross Adj. 39.2% \$ 293,300		Net Adj. 5.7% Gross Adj. 30.4% \$ 292,200	Net Adj. 2.6% Gross Adj. 23.1% \$ 326,300

did  did not research the sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales. If not, explain

My research  did  did not reveal any prior sales or transfers of the subject property for the three years prior to the effective date of this appraisal.  
 Data Source(s) **Ashtabula County Auditor's Website**  
 My research  did  did not reveal any prior sales or transfers of the comparable sales for the year prior to the date of sale of the comparable sale.  
 Data Source(s) **Ashtabula County Auditor's Website**

Report the results of the research and analysis of the prior sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales (report additional prior sales on page 3).

ITEM	SUBJECT	COMPARABLE SALE #1	COMPARABLE SALE #2	COMPARABLE SALE #3
Date of Prior Sale/Transfer	01/13/2017			
Price of Prior Sale/Transfer	\$0			
Data Source(s)	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulaCntyAuditorWbst
Effective Date of Data Source(s)	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017

Analysis of prior sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales All information for the subject and comparables was found on the **Cuyahoga County Auditors website. The subject previous transfer was a survivorship deed. There are no previous sales in the past 12 months for the comparables listed.**

Summary of Sales Comparison Approach **See attached addenda.**

Indicated Value by Sales Comparison Approach \$ 293,000  
 Indicated Value by: Sales Comparison Approach \$ 293,000 Cost Approach (if developed) \$ Income Approach (if developed) \$  
**The sales comparison approach carried the most weight in this report. The income approach was not utilized due to a lack of reliable rental data for similar homes in this area. The cost approach was not applicable for this assignment due to the subjects age and the difficulty in estimating accrued depreciation.**  
 This appraisal is made  "as is",  subject to completion per plans and specifications on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the improvements have been completed,  subject to the following repairs or alterations on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the repairs or alterations have been completed, or  subject to the following required inspection based on the extraordinary assumption that the condition or deficiency does not require alteration or repair. This appraisal report is intended for use by Veterans United Home Loans/Veteran Affairs only. This report is not intended for any other use or user.  
 Based on a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property, defined scope of work, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and appraiser's certification, my (our) opinion of the market value, as defined, of the real property that is the subject of this report is \$ 293,000, as of 11/27/2017, which is the date of inspection and the effective date of this appraisal.

Deborah Dombrowski assisted appraiser with this report by typing information appraiser has provided, attaching photos, maps, mls information and auditors information for all listings and comparables.

The tax and special assessment amounts listed are an annual amount

Special assessments are for the 911 phone line

The appraiser has not performed an appraisal or any other service on the subject in the past three years.

There were no gas wells, oil wells or fracking present on or running through the subject property noted at the time of this inspection.

No purchaser or seller of the subject property nor any borrower are intended users of this appraisal and no such parties should use or rely on this appraisal for any purpose. All such parties are advised to consult with an appraiser or other professional of their own choosing.

The subject is a legally permissible use based on its current zoning. Also, the lot size, shape and land-to-building ratio allow the present structure and indicate a good utilization of the improvements. Based on current market conditions, the existing structure as a single family residence is its financially feasible and maximally productive use. The highest and best use, as if vacant, would be to construct a single family residence.

The subject exceeded the predominate value for the area but is within the overall range for this market. the subject is not an over improvement for this area.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

**COST APPROACH TO VALUE (not required by Fannie Mae)**

Provide adequate information for the lender/client to replicate the below cost figures and calculations.  
Support for the opinion of site value (summary of comparable land sales or other methods for estimating site value)

ESTIMATED <input type="checkbox"/> REPRODUCTION OR <input type="checkbox"/> REPLACEMENT COST NEW	OPINION OF SITE VALUE	= \$
Source of cost data	DWELLING	Sq.Ft. @ \$ = \$
Quality rating from cost service		Sq.Ft. @ \$ = \$
Effective date of cost data		= \$
Comments on Cost Approach (gross living area calculations, depreciation, etc.)	Garage/Carport	Sq.Ft. @ \$ = \$
The cost approach was not applicable due to the subjects age and the difficulty in estimating accrued depreciation.	Total Estimate of Cost-New	= \$
	Less Physical	
	Functional	
	External	= \$( )
	Depreciation	= \$
	Depreciated Cost of Improvements	= \$
	"As-is" Value of Site Improvements	= \$
Estimated Remaining Economic Life (HUD and VA only)	40 Years	INDICATED VALUE BY COST APPROACH = \$

COST APPROACH

**INCOME APPROACH TO VALUE (not required by Fannie Mae)**

Estimated Monthly Market Rent \$ X Gross Rent Multiplier = \$ Indicated Value by Income Approach  
Summary of Income Approach (including support for market rent and GRM)

INCOME

**PROJECT INFORMATION FOR PUDs (if applicable)**

Is the developer/builder in control of the Homeowners' Association (HOA)?  Yes  No Unit type(s)  Detached  Attached  
Provide the following information for PUDs ONLY if the developer/builder is in control of the HOA and the subject property is an attached dwelling unit.

Legal Name of Project  
Total number of phases Total number of units Total number of units sold  
Total number of units rented Total number of units for sale Data source(s)  
Was the project created by the conversion of existing building(s) into a PUD?  Yes  No If Yes, date of conversion.  
Does the project contain any multi-dwelling units?  Yes  No Data Source  
Are the units, common elements, and recreation facilities complete?  Yes  No If No, describe the status of completion.

PUD INFORMATION

Are the common elements leased to or by the Homeowners' Association?  Yes  No If Yes, describe the rental terms and options.

Describe common elements and recreational facilities.

This report form is designed to report an appraisal of a one-unit property or a one-unit property with an accessory unit; including a unit in a planned unit development (PUD). This report form is not designed to report an appraisal of a manufactured home or a unit in a condominium or cooperative project.

This appraisal report is subject to the following scope of work, intended use, intended user, definition of market value, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and certifications. Modifications, additions, or deletions to the intended use, intended user, definition of market value, or assumptions and limiting conditions are not permitted. The appraiser may expand the scope of work to include any additional research or analysis necessary based on the complexity of this appraisal assignment. Modifications or deletions to the certifications are also not permitted. However, additional certifications that do not constitute material alterations to this appraisal report, such as those required by law or those related to the appraiser's continuing education or membership in an appraisal organization, are permitted.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The scope of work for this appraisal is defined by the complexity of this appraisal assignment and the reporting requirements of this appraisal report form, including the following definition of market value, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and certifications. The appraiser must, at a minimum: (1) perform a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property, (2) inspect the neighborhood, (3) inspect each of the comparable sales from at least the street, (4) research, verify, and analyze data from reliable public and/or private sources, and (5) report his or her analysis, opinions, and conclusions in this appraisal report.

**INTENDED USE:** The intended use of this appraisal report is for the lender/client to evaluate the property that is the subject of this appraisal for a mortgage finance transaction.

**INTENDED USER:** The intended user of this appraisal report is the lender/client.

**DEFINITION OF MARKET VALUE:** The most probable price which a property should bring in a competitive and open market under all conditions requisite to a fair sale, the buyer and seller, each acting prudently, knowledgeably and assuming the price is not affected by undue stimulus. Implicit in this definition is the consummation of a sale as of a specified date and the passing of title from seller to buyer under conditions whereby: (1) buyer and seller are typically motivated; (2) both parties are well informed or well advised, and each acting in what he or she considers his or her own best interest; (3) a reasonable time is allowed for exposure in the open market; (4) payment is made in terms of cash in U. S. dollars or in terms of financial arrangements comparable thereto; and (5) the price represents the normal consideration for the property sold unaffected by special or creative financing or sales concessions\* granted by anyone associated with the sale.

\*Adjustments to the comparables must be made for special or creative financing or sales concessions. No adjustments are necessary for those costs which are normally paid by sellers as a result of tradition or law in a market area; these costs are readily identifiable since the seller pays these costs in virtually all sales transactions. Special or creative financing adjustments can be made to the comparable property by comparisons to financing terms offered by a third party institutional lender that is not already involved in the property or transaction. Any adjustment should not be calculated on a mechanical dollar for dollar cost of the financing or concession but the dollar amount of any adjustment should approximate the market's reaction to the financing or concessions based on the appraiser's judgment.

**STATEMENT OF ASSUMPTIONS AND LIMITING CONDITIONS:** The appraiser's certification in this report is subject to the following assumptions and limiting conditions:

1. The appraiser will not be responsible for matters of a legal nature that affect either the property being appraised or the title to it, except for information that he or she became aware of during the research involved in performing this appraisal. The appraiser assumes that the title is good and marketable and will not render any opinions about the title.
2. The appraiser has provided a sketch in this appraisal report to show the approximate dimensions of the improvements. The sketch is included only to assist the reader in visualizing the property and understanding the appraiser's determination of its size.
3. The appraiser has examined the available flood maps that are provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (or other data sources) and has noted in this appraisal report whether any portion of the subject site is located in an identified Special Flood Hazard Area. Because the appraiser is not a surveyor, he or she makes no guarantees, express or implied, regarding this determination.
4. The appraiser will not give testimony or appear in court because he or she made an appraisal of the property in question, unless specific arrangements to do so have been made beforehand, or as otherwise required by law.
5. The appraiser has noted in this appraisal report any adverse conditions (such as needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, etc.) observed during the inspection of the subject property or that he or she became aware of during the research involved in performing the appraisal. Unless otherwise stated in this appraisal report, the appraiser has no knowledge of any hidden or unapparent physical deficiencies or adverse conditions of the property (such as, but not limited to, needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, adverse environmental conditions, etc.) that would make the property less valuable, and has assumed that there are no such conditions and makes no guarantees or warranties, express or implied. The appraiser will not be responsible for any such conditions that do exist or for any engineering or testing that might be required to discover whether such conditions exist. Because the appraiser is not an expert in the field of environmental hazards, this appraisal report must not be considered as an environmental assessment of the property.
6. The appraiser has based his or her appraisal report and valuation conclusion for an appraisal that is subject to satisfactory completion, repairs, or alterations on the assumption that the completion, repairs, or alterations of the subject property will be performed in a professional manner.

APPRAISER'S CERTIFICATION: The Appraiser certifies and agrees that:

1. I have, at a minimum, developed and reported this appraisal in accordance with the scope of work requirements stated in this appraisal report.
2. I performed a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property. I reported the condition of the improvements in factual, specific terms. I identified and reported the physical deficiencies that could affect the livability, soundness, or structural integrity of the property.
3. I performed this appraisal in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice that were adopted and promulgated by the Appraisal Standards Board of The Appraisal Foundation and that were in place at the time this appraisal report was prepared.
4. I developed my opinion of the market value of the real property that is the subject of this report based on the sales comparison approach to value. I have adequate comparable market data to develop a reliable sales comparison approach for this appraisal assignment. I further certify that I considered the cost and income approaches to value but did not develop them, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
5. I researched, verified, analyzed, and reported on any current agreement for sale for the subject property, any offering for sale of the subject property in the twelve months prior to the effective date of this appraisal, and the prior sales of the subject property for a minimum of three years prior to the effective date of this appraisal, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
6. I researched, verified, analyzed, and reported on the prior sales of the comparable sales for a minimum of one year prior to the date of sale of the comparable sale, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
7. I selected and used comparable sales that are locationally, physically, and functionally the most similar to the subject property.
8. I have not used comparable sales that were the result of combining a land sale with the contract purchase price of a home that has been built or will be built on the land.
9. I have reported adjustments to the comparable sales that reflect the market's reaction to the differences between the subject property and the comparable sales.
10. I verified, from a disinterested source, all information in this report that was provided by parties who have a financial interest in the sale or financing of the subject property.
11. I have knowledge and experience in appraising this type of property in this market area.
12. I am aware of, and have access to, the necessary and appropriate public and private data sources, such as multiple listing services, tax assessment records, public land records and other such data sources for the area in which the property is located.
13. I obtained the information, estimates, and opinions furnished by other parties and expressed in this appraisal report from reliable sources that I believe to be true and correct.
14. I have taken into consideration the factors that have an impact on value with respect to the subject neighborhood, subject property, and the proximity of the subject property to adverse influences in the development of my opinion of market value. I have noted in this appraisal report any adverse conditions (such as, but not limited to, needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, adverse environmental conditions, etc.) observed during the inspection of the subject property or that I became aware of during the research involved in performing this appraisal. I have considered these adverse conditions in my analysis of the property value, and have reported on the effect of the conditions on the value and marketability of the subject property.
15. I have not knowingly withheld any significant information from this appraisal report and, to the best of my knowledge, all statements and information in this appraisal report are true and correct.
16. I stated in this appraisal report my own personal, unbiased, and professional analysis, opinions, and conclusions, which are subject only to the assumptions and limiting conditions in this appraisal report.
17. I have no present or prospective interest in the property that is the subject of this report, and I have no present or prospective personal interest or bias with respect to the participants in the transaction. I did not base, either partially or completely, my analysis and/or opinion of market value in this appraisal report on the race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, handicap, familial status, or national origin of either the prospective owners or occupants of the subject property or of the present owners or occupants of the properties in the vicinity of the subject property or on any other basis prohibited by law.
18. My employment and/or compensation for performing this appraisal or any future or anticipated appraisals was not conditioned on any agreement or understanding, written or otherwise, that I would report (or present analysis supporting) a predetermined specific value, a predetermined minimum value, a range or direction in value, a value that favors the cause of any party, or the attainment of a specific result or occurrence of a specific subsequent event (such as approval of a pending mortgage loan application).
19. I personally prepared all conclusions and opinions about the real estate that were set forth in this appraisal report. If I relied on significant real property appraisal assistance from any individual or individuals in the performance of this appraisal or the preparation of this appraisal report, I have named such individual(s) and disclosed the specific tasks performed in this appraisal report. I certify that any individual so named is qualified to perform the tasks. I have not authorized anyone to make a change to any item in this appraisal report; therefore, any change made to this appraisal is unauthorized and I will take no responsibility for it.
20. I identified the lender/client in this appraisal report who is the individual, organization, or agent for the organization that ordered and will receive this appraisal report.

21. The lender/client may disclose or distribute this appraisal report to: the borrower; another lender at the request of the borrower; the mortgagee or its successors and assigns; mortgage insurers; government sponsored enterprises; other secondary market participants; data collection or reporting services; professional appraisal organizations; any department, agency, or instrumentality of the United States; and any state, the District of Columbia, or other jurisdictions; without having to obtain the appraiser's or supervisory appraiser's (if applicable) consent. Such consent must be obtained before this appraisal report may be disclosed or distributed to any other party (including, but not limited to, the public through advertising, public relations, news, sales, or other media).

22. I am aware that any disclosure or distribution of this appraisal report by me or the lender/client may be subject to certain laws and regulations. Further, I am also subject to the provisions of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice that pertain to disclosure or distribution by me.

23. The borrower, another lender at the request of the borrower, the mortgagee or its successors and assigns, mortgage insurers, government sponsored enterprises, and other secondary market participants may rely on this appraisal report as part of any mortgage finance transaction that involves any one or more of these parties.

24. If this appraisal report was transmitted as an "electronic record" containing my "electronic signature," as those terms are defined in applicable federal and/or state laws (excluding audio and video recordings), or a facsimile transmission of this appraisal report containing a copy or representation of my signature, the appraisal report shall be as effective, enforceable and valid as if a paper version of this appraisal report were delivered containing my original hand written signature.

25. Any intentional or negligent misrepresentation(s) contained in this appraisal report may result in civil liability and/or criminal penalties including, but not limited to, fine or imprisonment or both under the provisions of Title 18, United States Code, Section 1001, et seq., or similar state laws.

**SUPERVISORY APPRAISER'S CERTIFICATION:** The Supervisory Appraiser certifies and agrees that:

1. I directly supervised the appraiser for this appraisal assignment, have read the appraisal report, and agree with the appraiser's analysis, opinions, statements, conclusions, and the appraiser's certification.
2. I accept full responsibility for the contents of this appraisal report including, but not limited to, the appraiser's analysis, opinions, statements, conclusions, and the appraiser's certification.
3. The appraiser identified in this appraisal report is either a sub-contractor or an employee of the supervisory appraiser (or the appraisal firm), is qualified to perform this appraisal, and is acceptable to perform this appraisal under the applicable state law.
4. This appraisal report complies with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice that were adopted and promulgated by the Appraisal Standards Board of The Appraisal Foundation and that were in place at the time this appraisal report was prepared.
5. If this appraisal report was transmitted as an "electronic record" containing my "electronic signature," as those terms are defined in applicable federal and/or state laws (excluding audio and video recordings), or a facsimile transmission of this appraisal report containing a copy or representation of my signature, the appraisal report shall be as effective, enforceable and valid as if a paper version of this appraisal report were delivered containing my original hand written signature.

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**APPRAISER**

Signature   
 Name Edward Kocin  
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 Date of Signature and Report 12/04/2017  
 Effective Date of Appraisal 11/27/2017  
 State Certification # 2009000565  
 or State License # \_\_\_\_\_ State # \_\_\_\_\_  
 or Other (describe) \_\_\_\_\_ State # \_\_\_\_\_  
 State OH  
 Expiration Date of Certification or License 09/02/2018

**ADDRESS OF PROPERTY APPRAISED**

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Jefferson, OH 44047  
 APPRAISED VALUE OF SUBJECT PROPERTY \$ 293,000

**LENDER/CLIENT**

Name No AMC  
 Company Name Veterans United Home Loans/VA  
 Company Address 1400 Veterans United Drive, Columbia, MO  
65203-0000  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**SUPERVISORY APPRAISER (ONLY IF REQUIRED)**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company Name \_\_\_\_\_  
 Company Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Telephone Number \_\_\_\_\_  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_  
 Date of Signature \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Certification # \_\_\_\_\_  
 or State License # \_\_\_\_\_  
 State \_\_\_\_\_  
 Expiration Date of Certification or License \_\_\_\_\_

**SUBJECT PROPERTY**

- Did not inspect subject property  
 Did inspect exterior of subject property from street  
 Date of Inspection \_\_\_\_\_  
 Did inspect interior and exterior of subject property  
 Date of Inspection \_\_\_\_\_

**COMPARABLE SALES**

- Did not inspect exterior of comparable sales from street  
 Did inspect exterior of comparable sales from street  
 Date of Inspection \_\_\_\_\_



**APPRAISAL AND REPORT IDENTIFICATION**

This Report is one of the following types:

Appraisal Report (A written report prepared under Standards Rule 2-2(a), pursuant to the Scope of Work, as disclosed elsewhere in this report.)

Restricted Appraisal Report (A written report prepared under Standards Rule 2-2(b), pursuant to the Scope of Work, as disclosed elsewhere in this report, restricted to the stated intended use by the specified client or intended user.)

**Comments on Standards Rule 2-3**

I certify that, to the best of my knowledge and belief:

- The statements of fact contained in this report are true and correct.
- The reported analyses, opinions, and conclusions are limited only by the reported assumptions and limiting conditions and are my personal, impartial, and unbiased professional analyses, opinions, and conclusions.
- Unless otherwise indicated, I have no present or prospective interest in the property that is the subject of this report and no personal interest with respect to the parties involved.
- Unless otherwise indicated, I have performed no services, as an appraiser or in any other capacity, regarding the property that is the subject of this report within the three-year period immediately preceding acceptance of this assignment.
- I have no bias with respect to the property that is the subject of this report or the parties involved with this assignment.
- My engagement in this assignment was not contingent upon developing or reporting predetermined results.
- My compensation for completing this assignment is not contingent upon the development or reporting of a predetermined value or direction in value that favors the cause of the client, the amount of the value opinion, the attainment of a stipulated result, or the occurrence of a subsequent event directly related to the intended use of this appraisal.
- My analyses, opinions, and conclusions were developed, and this report has been prepared, in conformity with the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice that were in effect at the time this report was prepared.
- Unless otherwise indicated, I have made a personal inspection of the property that is the subject of this report.
- Unless otherwise indicated, no one provided significant real property appraisal assistance to the person(s) signing this certification (if there are exceptions, the name of each individual providing significant real property appraisal assistance is stated elsewhere in this report).

**Reasonable Exposure Time** (USPAP defines Exposure Time as the estimated length of time that the property interest being appraised would have been offered on the market prior to the hypothetical consummation of a sale at market value on the effective date of the appraisal.)

My Opinion of Reasonable Exposure Time for the subject property at the market value stated in this report is: 120 Days

**Comments on Appraisal and Report Identification**  
 Note any USPAP-related issues requiring disclosure and any state mandated requirements:

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**APPRAISER:**

Signature:   
 Name: Edward Kocin  
Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc  
 State Certification #: 2009000565  
 or State License #:  
 State: OH Expiration Date of Certification or License: 09/02/2018  
 Date of Signature and Report: 12/04/2017  
 Effective Date of Appraisal: 11/27/2017  
 Inspection of Subject:  None  Interior and Exterior  Exterior-Only  
 Date of Inspection (if applicable): 11/27/2017

**SUPERVISORY or CO-APPRAISER (if applicable):**

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
 State Certification #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 or State License #: \_\_\_\_\_  
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# UNIFORM APPRAISAL DATASET (UAD) DEFINITIONS ADDENDUM

(Source: Fannie Mae UAD Appendix D: UAD Field-Specific Standardization Requirements)

## Condition Ratings and Definitions

### C1

The improvements have been recently constructed and have not been previously occupied. The entire structure and all components are new and the dwelling features no physical depreciation.

Note: Newly constructed improvements that feature recycled or previously used materials and/or components can be considered new dwellings provided that the dwelling is placed on a 100 percent new foundation and the recycled materials and the recycled components have been rehabilitated/remanufactured into like-new condition. Improvements that have not been previously occupied are not considered "new" if they have any significant physical depreciation (that is, newly constructed dwellings that have been vacant for an extended period of time without adequate maintenance or upkeep).

### C2

The improvements feature no deferred maintenance, little or no physical depreciation, and require no repairs. Virtually all building components are new or have been recently repaired, refinished, or rehabilitated. All outdated components and finishes have been updated and/or replaced with components that meet current standards. Dwellings in this category are either almost new or have been recently completely renovated and are similar in condition to new construction.

Note: The improvements represent a relatively new property that is well maintained with no deferred maintenance and little or no physical depreciation, or an older property that has been recently completely renovated.

### C3

The improvements are well maintained and feature limited physical depreciation due to normal wear and tear. Some components, but not every major building component, may be updated or recently rehabilitated. The structure has been well maintained.

Note: The improvement is in its first-cycle of replacing short-lived building components (appliances, floor coverings, HVAC, etc.) and is being well maintained. Its estimated effective age is less than its actual age. It also may reflect a property in which the majority of short-lived building components have been replaced but not to the level of a complete renovation.

### C4

The improvements feature some minor deferred maintenance and physical deterioration due to normal wear and tear. The dwelling has been adequately maintained and requires only minimal repairs to building components/mechanical systems and cosmetic repairs. All major building components have been adequately maintained and are functionally adequate.

Note: The estimated effective age may be close to or equal to its actual age. It reflects a property in which some of the short-lived building components have been replaced, and some short-lived building components are at or near the end of their physical life expectancy; however, they still function adequately. Most minor repairs have been addressed on an ongoing basis resulting in an adequately maintained property.

### C5

The improvements feature obvious deferred maintenance and are in need of some significant repairs. Some building components need repairs, rehabilitation, or updating. The functional utility and overall livability is somewhat diminished due to condition, but the dwelling remains useable and functional as a residence.

Note: Some significant repairs are needed to the improvements due to the lack of adequate maintenance. It reflects a property in which many of its short-lived building components are at the end of or have exceeded their physical life expectancy but remain functional.

### C6

The improvements have substantial damage or deferred maintenance with deficiencies or defects that are severe enough to affect the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the improvements. The improvements are in need of substantial repairs and rehabilitation, including many or most major components.

Note: Substantial repairs are needed to the improvements due to the lack of adequate maintenance or property damage. It reflects a property with conditions severe enough to affect the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the improvements.

## Quality Ratings and Definitions

### Q1

Dwellings with this quality rating are usually unique structures that are individually designed by an architect for a specified user. Such residences typically are constructed from detailed architectural plans and specifications and feature an exceptionally high level of workmanship and exceptionally high-grade materials throughout the interior and exterior of the structure. The design features exceptionally high-quality exterior refinements and ornamentation, and exceptionally high-quality interior refinements. The workmanship, materials, and finishes throughout the dwelling are of exceptionally high quality.

### Q2

Dwellings with this quality rating are often custom designed for construction on an individual property owner's site. However, dwellings in this quality grade are also found in high-quality tract developments featuring residence constructed from individual plans or from highly modified or upgraded plans. The design features detailed, high quality exterior ornamentation, high-quality interior refinements, and detail. The workmanship, materials, and finishes throughout the dwelling are generally of high or very high quality.

## Quality Ratings and Definitions (continued)

### Q3

Dwellings with this quality rating are residences of higher quality built from individual or readily available designer plans in above-standard residential tract developments or on an individual property owner's site. The design includes significant exterior ornamentation and interiors that are well finished. The workmanship exceeds acceptable standards and many materials and finishes throughout the dwelling have been upgraded from "stock" standards.

### Q4

Dwellings with this quality rating meet or exceed the requirements of applicable building codes. Standard or modified standard building plans are utilized and the design includes adequate fenestration and some exterior ornamentation and interior refinements. Materials, workmanship, finish, and equipment are of stock or builder grade and may feature some upgrades.

### Q5

Dwellings with this quality rating feature economy of construction and basic functionality as main considerations. Such dwellings feature a plain design using readily available or basic floor plans featuring minimal fenestration and basic finishes with minimal exterior ornamentation and limited interior detail. These dwellings meet minimum building codes and are constructed with inexpensive, stock materials with limited refinements and upgrades.

### Q6

Dwellings with this quality rating are of basic quality and lower cost; some may not be suitable for year-round occupancy. Such dwellings are often built with simple plans or without plans, often utilizing the lowest quality building materials. Such dwellings are often built or expanded by persons who are professionally unskilled or possess only minimal construction skills. Electrical, plumbing, and other mechanical systems and equipment may be minimal or non-existent. Older dwellings may feature one or more substandard or non-conforming additions to the original structure

## Definitions of Not Updated, Updated, and Remodeled

### Not Updated

Little or no updating or modernization. This description includes, but is not limited to, new homes. Residential properties of fifteen years of age or less often reflect an original condition with no updating, if no major components have been replaced or updated. Those over fifteen years of age are also considered not updated if the appliances, fixtures, and finishes are predominantly dated. An area that is 'Not Updated' may still be well maintained and fully functional, and this rating does not necessarily imply deferred maintenance or physical/functional deterioration.

### Updated

The area of the home has been modified to meet current market expectations. These modifications are limited in terms of both scope and cost. An updated area of the home should have an improved look and feel, or functional utility. Changes that constitute updates include refurbishment and/or replacing components to meet existing market expectations. Updates do not include significant alterations to the existing structure.

### Remodeled

Significant finish and/or structural changes have been made that increase utility and appeal through complete replacement and/or expansion. A remodeled area reflects fundamental changes that include multiple alterations. These alterations may include some or all of the following: replacement of a major component (cabinet(s), bathtub, or bathroom tile), relocation of plumbing/gas fixtures/appliances, significant structural alterations (relocating walls, and/or the addition of) square footage). This would include a complete gutting and rebuild.

## Explanation of Bathroom Count

Three-quarter baths are counted as a full bath in all cases. Quarter baths (baths that feature only a toilet) are not included in the bathroom count. The number of full and half baths is reported by separating the two values using a period, where the full bath count is represented to the left of the period and the half bath count is represented to the right of the period.

### Example:

3.2 indicates three full baths and two half baths.



The purpose of this addendum is to provide the lender/client with a clear and accurate understanding of the market trends and conditions prevalent in the subject neighborhood. This is a required addendum for all appraisal reports with an effective date on or after April 1, 2009.

Property Address **2042 Stumpville Rd** City **Jefferson** State **OH** ZIP Code **44047**

Borrower **Charles Johnston**

**Instructions:** The appraiser must use the information required on this form as the basis for his/her conclusions, and must provide support for those conclusions, regarding housing trends and overall market conditions as reported in the Neighborhood section of the appraisal report form. The appraiser must fill in all the information to the extent it is available and reliable and must provide analysis as indicated below. If any required data is unavailable or is considered unreliable, the appraiser must provide an explanation. It is recognized that not all data sources will be able to provide data for the shaded areas below; if it is available, however, the appraiser must include the data in the analysis. If data sources provide the required information as an average instead of the median, the appraiser should report the available figure and identify it as an average. Sales and listings must be properties that compete with the subject property, determined by applying the criteria that would be used by a prospective buyer of the subject property. The appraiser must explain any anomalies in the data, such as seasonal markets, new construction, foreclosures, etc.

Inventory Analysis	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
				Increasing	Stable	Declining
Total # of Comparable Sales (Settled)	4	0	4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Absorption Rate (Total Sales/Months)	0.67	0	1.33	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total # of Comparable Active Listings	4	5	9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Months of Housing Supply (Total Listings/Ab.Rate)	6.0	0	6.8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Sale & List Price, DOM, Sale/List %	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
Median Comparable Sale Price	307,500	0	287,450	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable Sales Days on Market	224	0	14	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable List Price	299,950	274,900	299,900	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable Listings Days on Market	272	218	104	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Sale Price as % of List Price	96.57	0	98.38	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Seller (developer, builder, etc.) paid financial assistance prevalent?  Yes  No

Explain in detail the seller concessions trends for the past 12 months (e.g., seller contributions increased from 3% to 5%, increasing use of buydowns, closing costs, condo fees, options, etc.). **The market area has seen few seller concessions over the past 6-12 months. Seller concessions are not prevalent in the market area.**

Are foreclosure sales (REO sales) a factor in the market?  Yes  No If yes, explain (including the trends in listings and sales of foreclosed properties). **There have been some foreclosed homes in the area, but they have not had a major effect on values in the area.**

Cite data sources for above information. **NEOHREX index, Federal Housing Finance Agency, local realtors and builders**

Summarize the above information as support for your conclusions in the Neighborhood section of the appraisal report form. If you used any additional information, such as an analysis of pending sales and/or expired and withdrawn listings, to formulate your conclusions, provide both an explanation and support for your conclusions. **Due to the limited available sales and listings for the area the trends were more difficult to estimate. With 4 comparable sales for the 7-12 month, 0 for the 4-6 and 4 for the 3-current month periods the trends listed were not reliable. This lack of data also effected the days on market. Overall research from the area suggests more stable sales and listing prices. With more competitive pricing marketing time has remained stable while the sales price to listing price ratio has also been stable.**

If the subject is a unit in a condominium or cooperative project, complete the following:

Subject Project Data	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
				Increasing	Stable	Declining
Total # of Comparable Sales (Settled)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Absorption Rate (Total Sales/Months)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total # of Active Comparable Listings				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Months of Unit Supply (Total Listings/Ab.Rate)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are foreclosure sales (REO sales) a factor in the project?  Yes  No If yes, indicate the number of REO listings and explain the trends in listings and sales of foreclosed properties.

Summarize the above trends and address the impact on the subject unit and project.

Signature 	Signature 
Appraiser Name <b>Edward Kocin</b>	Supervisory Appraiser Name
Company Name <b>Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc</b>	Company Name
Company Address <b>PO Box 115, Gates Mills, OH 44040-0115</b>	Company Address
State License/Certification # <b>2009000565</b> State <b>OH</b>	State License/Certification # State
Email Address <b>ekocin@ohio-appraisal.com</b>	Email Address

# Appraiser Independence Certification

I do hereby certify, I have followed the appraiser independence safeguards in compliance with Appraisal Independence and any applicable state laws I may be required to comply with. This includes but is not limited to the following:

- I am currently licensed and/or certified by the state in which the property to be appraised is located. My license is the appropriate license for the appraisal assignment(s) and is reflected on the appraisal report.
- I certify that there have been no sanctions against me for any reason that would impair my ability to perform appraisals pursuant to the required guidelines.

I assert that no employee, director, officer, or agent of Veterans United Home Loans/VA, or any other third party acting as joint venture partner, independent contractor, appraisal management company, or partner on behalf of Veterans United Home Loans/VA, influenced, or attempted to influence the development, reporting, result, or review of my appraisal through coercion, extortion, collusion, compensation, inducement, intimidation, bribery, or in any other manner.

I further assert that Veterans United Home Loans/VA has never participated in any of the following prohibited behavior in our business relationship:

- 1) Withholding or threatening to withhold timely payment or partial payment for an appraisal report;
- 2) Withholding or threatening to withhold future business with me, or demoting or terminating or threatening to demote or terminate me;
- 3) Expressly or impliedly promising future business, promotions, or increased compensation for myself;
- 4) Conditioning the ordering of my appraisal report or the payment of my appraisal fee or salary or bonus on the opinion, conclusion, or valuation to be reached, or on a preliminary value estimate requested from me;
- 5) Requesting that I provide an estimated, predetermined, or desired valuation in an appraisal report prior to the completion of the appraisal report, or requesting that I provide estimated values or comparable sales at any time prior to my completion of an appraisal report;
- 6) Provided me an anticipated, estimated, encouraged, or desired value for a subject property or a proposed or target amount to be loaned to the borrower, except that a copy of the sales contract for purchase transactions may be provided;
- 7) Provided to me, or my appraisal company, or any entity or person related to me as appraiser, appraisal company, stock or other financial or non-financial benefits;
- 8) Any other act or practice that impairs or attempts to impair my independence, objectivity, or impartiality or violates law or regulation, including, but not limited to, the Truth in Lending Act (TILA) and Regulation Z, or the USPAP.



<p>                  _____                  Signature</p> <p>Edward Kocin                  _____                  Appraiser's Name</p> <p>Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc                  _____                  State Title or Designation</p>	<p>12/04/2017                  _____                  Date</p> <p>2009000565                  _____                  State License or Certification #</p> <p>09/02/2018                  _____                  Expiration Date of License or Certification</p> <p style="text-align: right;">OH                  _____                  State</p>
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2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047  
 \_\_\_\_\_  
 Address of Property Appraised

APPRAISER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
In Compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4763.12(C)

File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

Name of Appraiser: Edward Kocin

Class of Certification/Licensure:  Certified General  
 Certified Residential  
 Licensed Residential  
 Temporary  General  Licensed

Certification/Licensure Number: 200900565

Scope: This Report  is within the scope of my Certification or License  
 is not within the scope of my Certification or License

Service Provided by:  Disinterested & Unbiased Third Party  
 Interested & Biased Third Party  
 Interested Third Party on Contingent Fee Basis

Signature of appraiser:  Serial 2A4586A6

This form must be included in conjunction with all appraisal assignments or specialized services performed by a state-certified or state-licensed real estate appraiser

State of Ohio  
Department of Commerce  
Division of Real Estate Appraiser Section  
Cleveland (216) 787-3100

**VA** Addendum to Fee Appraiser's Report: Cleveland RLC Client Requirements

VA Case Number : LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

Property Address : 2042 Stumpville Rd  
Jefferson, OH 44047

If the report was not completed within the timeliness standards was the Cleveland RLC notified by updating the case notes in WebLGY?  Yes  No

Comments on timeliness: (if necessary)  
Report was submitted on time

**VA required market analysis**

1. The current sales price to list price ratio is 97 %
2. The current average marketing time for this market is 120 days.
3. Comments on the current marketing trend (increasing, declining, or stable)  
Property values are stable at present. The demand and supply appear to be in balance. Marketing time is 3 to 6 months, which is comparable to other competing nearby communities. V.A., F.H.A. and Conventional financing available in this area.
4. Comments on prevalence of sales or financing concessions to include if/how they impact the market:  
Closing costs are typically in the 1%-4% range for this area.
5. VA Certification:  
"I have considered relevant competitive listings and/or contract offerings in the performance of this appraisal and in the trending information reported in this section. If a trend is indicated I have attached another addendum providing relevant competitive listing/contract offering data."
6. If the subject property is served by a well, is public water available at property line? No  
Verified by Ashtabula County Phone number 440-576-6010
7. If the subject property is served by a septic, is public sewer available at property line? No  
Verified by Ashtabula County Phone number 440-576-6010
8. Remaining economic life 40. Do not report as a range of years. It can reflect a plus or minus but not a range, and an explanation is required if the REL is less than 30 years.
9. If the appraised value was below purchase price, was the "Tidewater Initiative" (VA circular 26-03-11) followed and explained in the appraisal? URAR Page # N/A
10. Comments on comparables over 6 months old and/or excessive distance from the subject.  
The comparable search included all of the defined market area. The search was concentrated on competing Century Home dwellings of similar quality, condition, size, location and appeal. This search revealed a very limited comparable pool. The subjects rural location and lack of sales forced the search radius to be expanded into competing market areas.
11. If the neighborhood section of [REDACTED] position was a listings/offers addendum provided. Refer to VA Pamphlet 26-7, Chapter 11, section 8 e.  Yes  No

Appraiser's Signature  
for VA Certification  
01/20/2012

  
Edward Kocin

Date: 12/04/2017

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### Repairs Required to meet Minimum Property Requirements (MPRs) for VA Financing

Repairs needed to meet the Minimum Property Requirements (MPRs) and make the subject safe, sound, and sanitary (i.e., structurally sound, free of roof leaks and have operable mechanical systems). All repairs are to be completed according to industry standards, and in a good workmanlike manner. The dwelling will meet VA's Minimum Property Requirements for existing dwellings as outlined in VA Pamphlet 26-7, Chapter 12 when the needed MPR repairs are completed.

Structural repairs needed

None Noted

Roof repairs needed

None Noted

Mechanical Systems repairs needed

Plumbing / Fixtures

Hot water tank flue pipe to be sealed at chimney

Electrical

exposed wiring was noted in the basement area of the home.  
open work box in garage needs a cover plate installed  
outlet in bath is not GFI protected. This needs to be repaired per code.

HVAC

None Noted

Defective paint surfaces (home built pre-1978)

Multiple areas of chipped, peeling and missing paint noted on exterior of home, windows and subjects Barn  
All areas need to be repaired.

Other Repair Items

Basement stair case, attic stairs, front porch steps and stairs in garage need a hand rail installed.  
Deck has 2 areas with missing railings. Both need repair  
Loose siding was noted on family room portion of home

Remarks:

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City	Jefferson	State	OH
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA	Zip Code	44047



**Subject Front**

2042 Stumpville Rd  
 Sales Price 284,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,464  
 Total Rooms 9  
 Total Bedrooms 4  
 Total Bathrooms 1.0  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 28.25 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 192



**Subject Rear**



**Subject Street**

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**Subject basement**



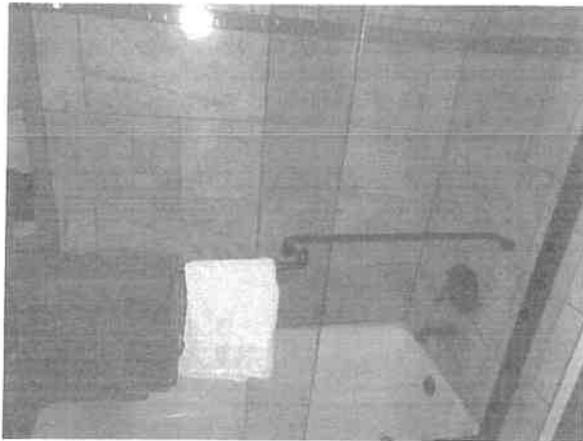
**Subject dining room**

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**Subject bath 1 of 2**

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**Subject bath 2 of 2**



**Subject living room**

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**Subject kitchen**

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**Subject kitchen**



**Subject family room**

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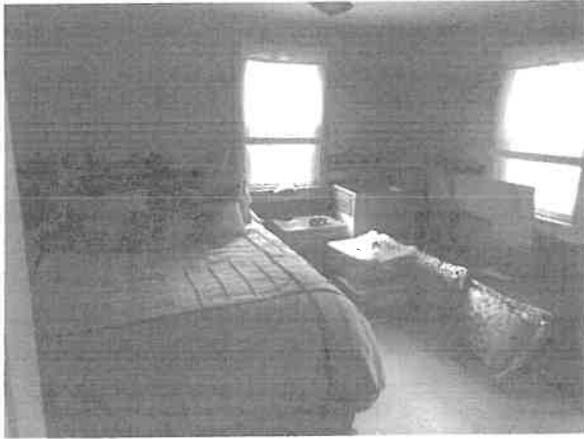


**Subject bedroom**

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**Subject bedroom**



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**Subject garage**



**Subject garage**

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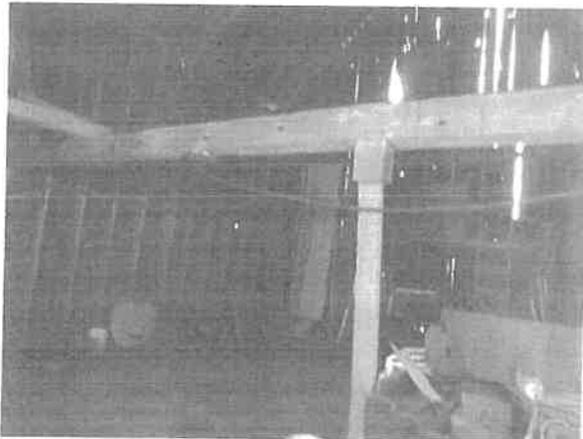


**Subject garage loft**

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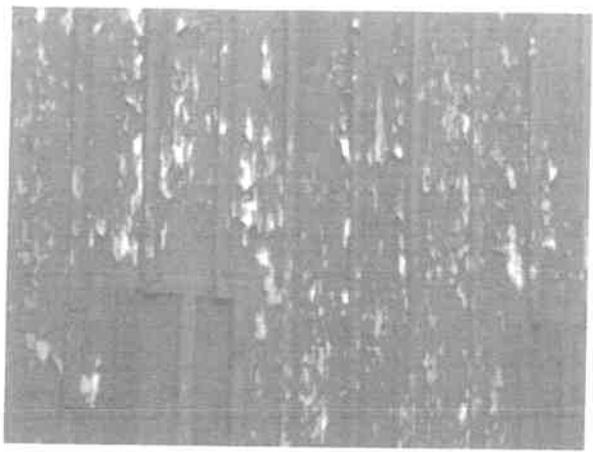


**Subject Barn**



**Subject Barn**

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**Subject barn siding**

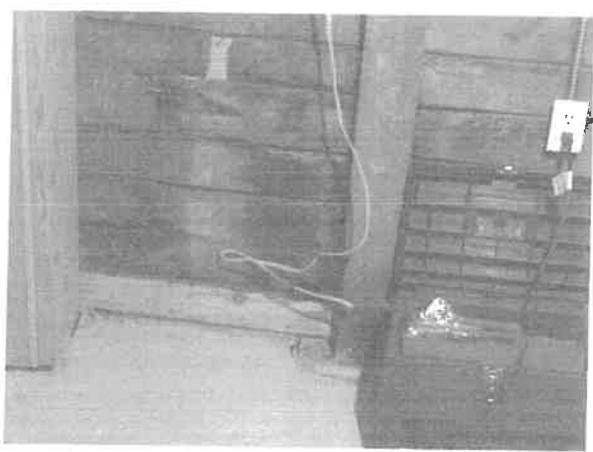
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chipped, peeling, missing  
 paint to be repaired



**Subject garage loft steps**

hand rail required



**Subject basement**

exposed wires to be removed

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### Subject HWT flue

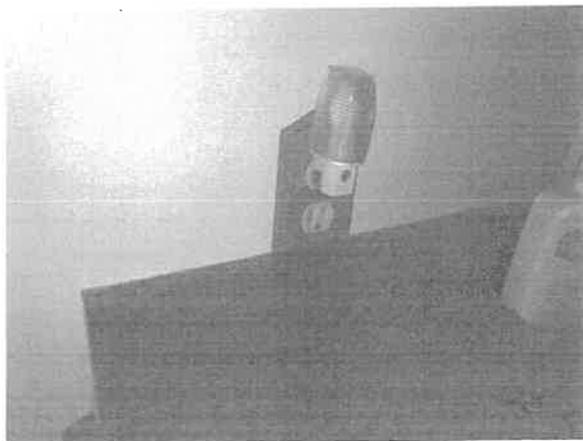
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Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality QS  
Age 192

to be sealed at chimney



### Subject basement steps

hand rail required



### Subject bath outlet by sink

GFI outlet required to code

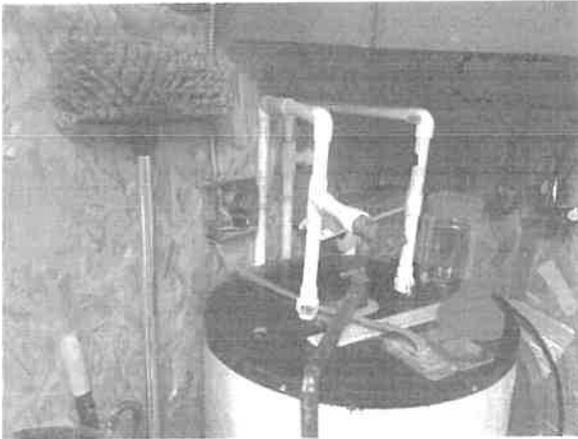
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Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd		
City	Jefferson	County	Ashtabula
		State	OH
		Zip Code	44047
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA		



**Subject attic steps**

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

hand rail required



**Subject garage HWT**

cover plate for work box  
required



**Subject deck**

missing rails to be installed  
2 areas

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**Subject loose siding**

2042 Stumpville Rd  
 Sales Price 284,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,464  
 Total Rooms 9  
 Total Bedrooms 4  
 Total Bathrooms 1.0  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 28.25 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 192

to be repaired



**Subject loose siding**

to be repaired



**Subject front porch steps**

hand rail required

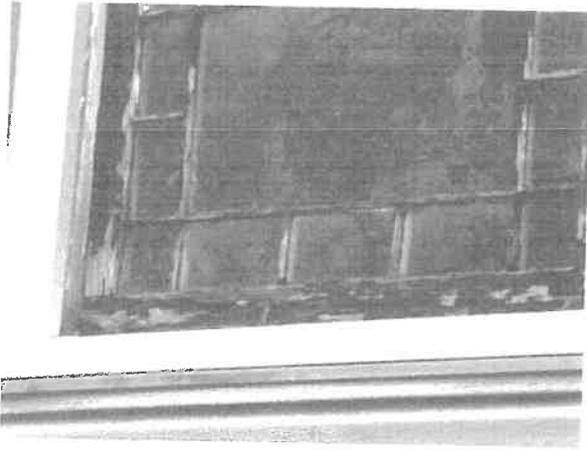
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**Subject bsmt windows**

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

chipped, peeling, missing  
paint to be repaired



**Subject window**

chipped, peeling missing  
paint to be repaired

**Subject Photo Page**

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**Subject Sheds**

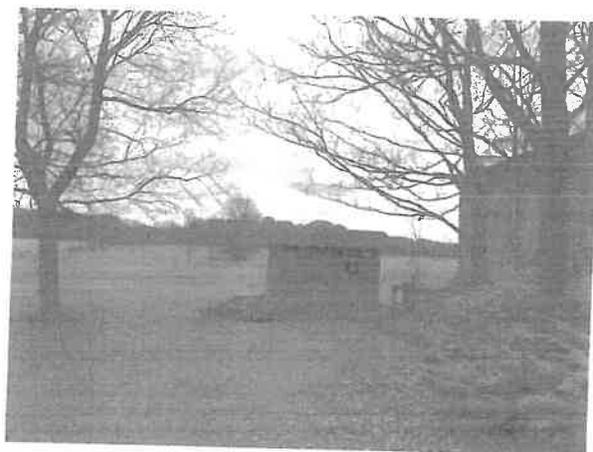
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Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

no value given



**Subject shed**

no value given



**Subject shed**

no value given

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**Comparable 1**

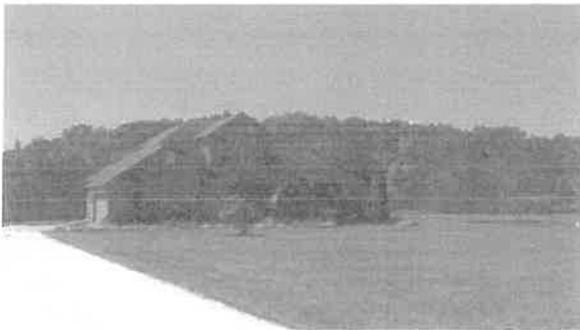
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 Gross Living Area 2,114  
 Total Rooms 7  
 Total Bedrooms 4  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 2.35 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 177



**Comparable 2**

982 Mechanicsville Rd  
 Prox. to Subject 6.70 miles NW  
 Sale Price 310,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,166  
 Total Rooms 6  
 Total Bedrooms 3  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 12.13 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 20

appraiser personal file photo



**Comparable 3**

1924 E Morgan Rd  
 Prox. to Subject 7.91 miles NE  
 Sale Price 335,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,219  
 Total Rooms 7  
 Total Bedrooms 3  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 15.04 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 18

appraiser personal file photo

# Listing Photo Page

Borrower	Charles Johnston		
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		Zip Code	44047



## Listing 1

819 Lenox New Lyme Rd  
Proximity to Subject 2.81 miles NE  
List Price 264,900  
Days on Market 96  
Gross Living Area 2,528  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 2.1  
Age/Year Built 23



## Listing 2

1475 Chapel Rd  
Proximity to Subject 4.88 miles N  
List Price 289,900  
Days on Market 59  
Gross Living Area 2,424  
Total Rooms 6  
Total Bedrooms 3  
Total Bathrooms 2.0  
Age/Year Built 39

Proximity to Subject  
List Price  
Days on Market  
Gross Living Area  
Total Rooms  
Total Bedrooms  
Total Bathrooms  
Age/Year Built

# INVOICE

**FROM:**

Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc.  
 PO Box 115  
 Gates Mills, Oh 44040

Telephone Number: 440-460-4660 Fax Number:

**INVOICE NUMBER**

**DATES**

Invoice Date: 11/27/2017

Due Date:

**REFERENCE**

Internal Order #: KASI41717  
 Lender Case #:  
 Client File #: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932  
 FHA/VA Case #: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932  
 Main File # on form: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932  
 Other File # on form:  
 Federal Tax ID:  
 Employer ID:

**TO:**

Veterans United Home Loans/VA  
 1400 Veterans United Drive  
 Columbia, MO 65203-0000

**E-Mail:**

Telephone Number: Fax Number:  
 Alternate Number:

**DESCRIPTION**

Lender: Veterans United Home Loans/VA Client: Veterans United Home Loans/VA  
 Purchaser/Borrower: Charles Johnston  
 Property Address: 2042 Stumpville Rd  
 City: Jefferson  
 County: Ashtabula State: OH Zip: 44047  
 Legal Description: 2 S CAUV # 1812

**FEEs**

**AMOUNT**

VA Uniform Residential Appraisal Report	450.00
<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	450.00

**PAYMENTS**

**AMOUNT**

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SUBTOTAL  
**TOTAL DUE** \$ 450.00



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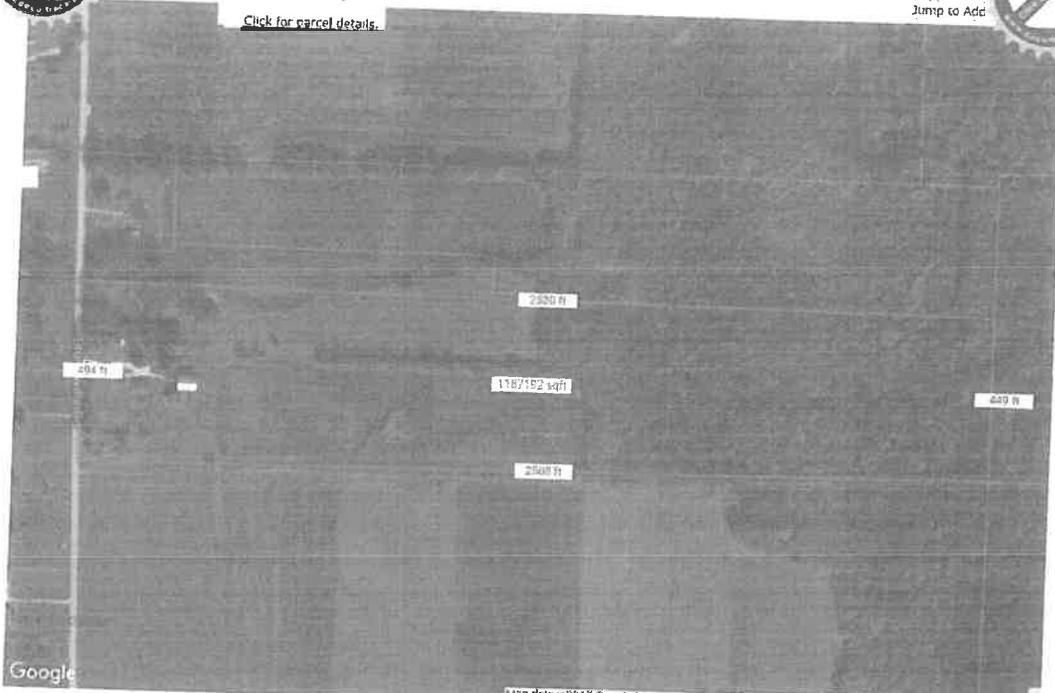
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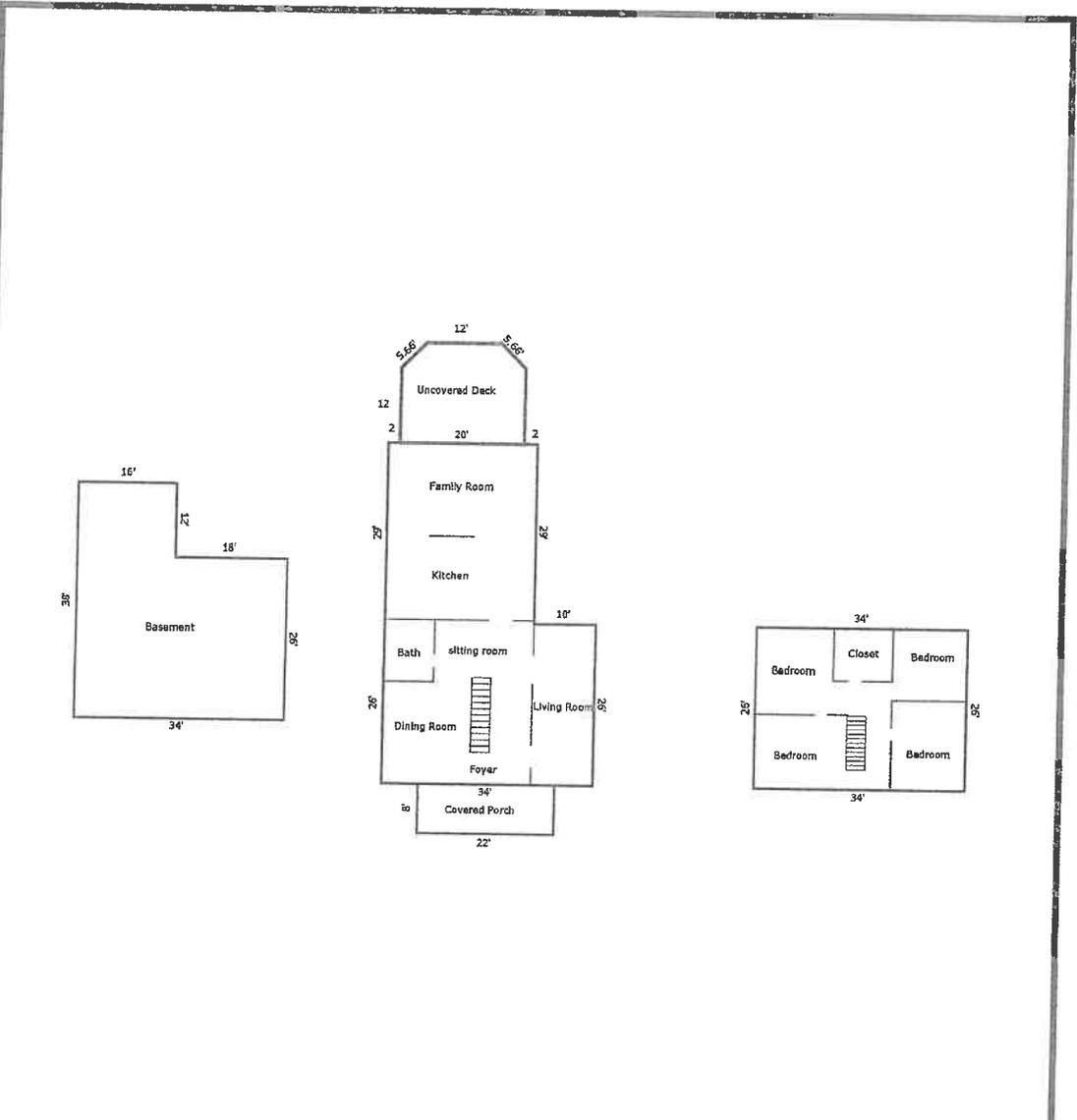
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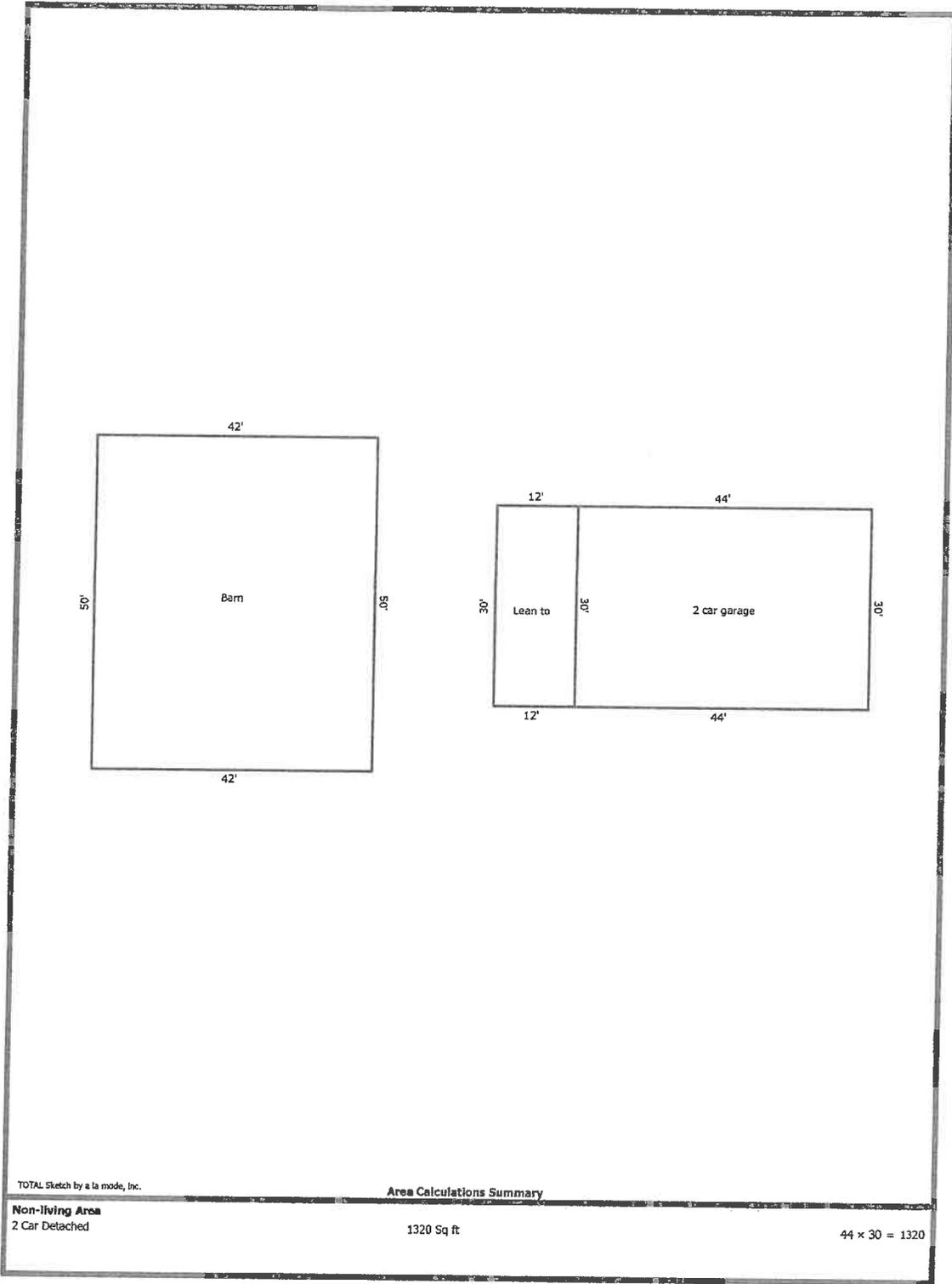


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**Area Calculations Summary**

Living Area	Area	Calculation Details
First Floor	1580 Sq ft	$24 \times 29 = 696$ $26 \times 34 = 884$
Second Floor	884 Sq ft	$34 \times 26 = 884$
<b>Total Living Area (Rounded):</b>	<b>2464 Sq ft</b>	
<b>Non-living Area</b>		
Open Porch	176 Sq ft	$8 \times 22 = 176$
Wood Deck	306.86 Sq ft	$20 \times 12.14 = 242.86$ $12 \times 4 = 48$ $0.5 \times 4 \times 4 = 8$ $0.5 \times 4 \times 4 = 8$
Basement	1076 Sq ft	$34 \times 26 = 884$ $16 \times 12 = 192$

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**Supplemental Addendum**

File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

Borrower	Charles Johnston		State	OH	Zip Code	44047
Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd					
City	Jefferson	County	Ashtabula			
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA					

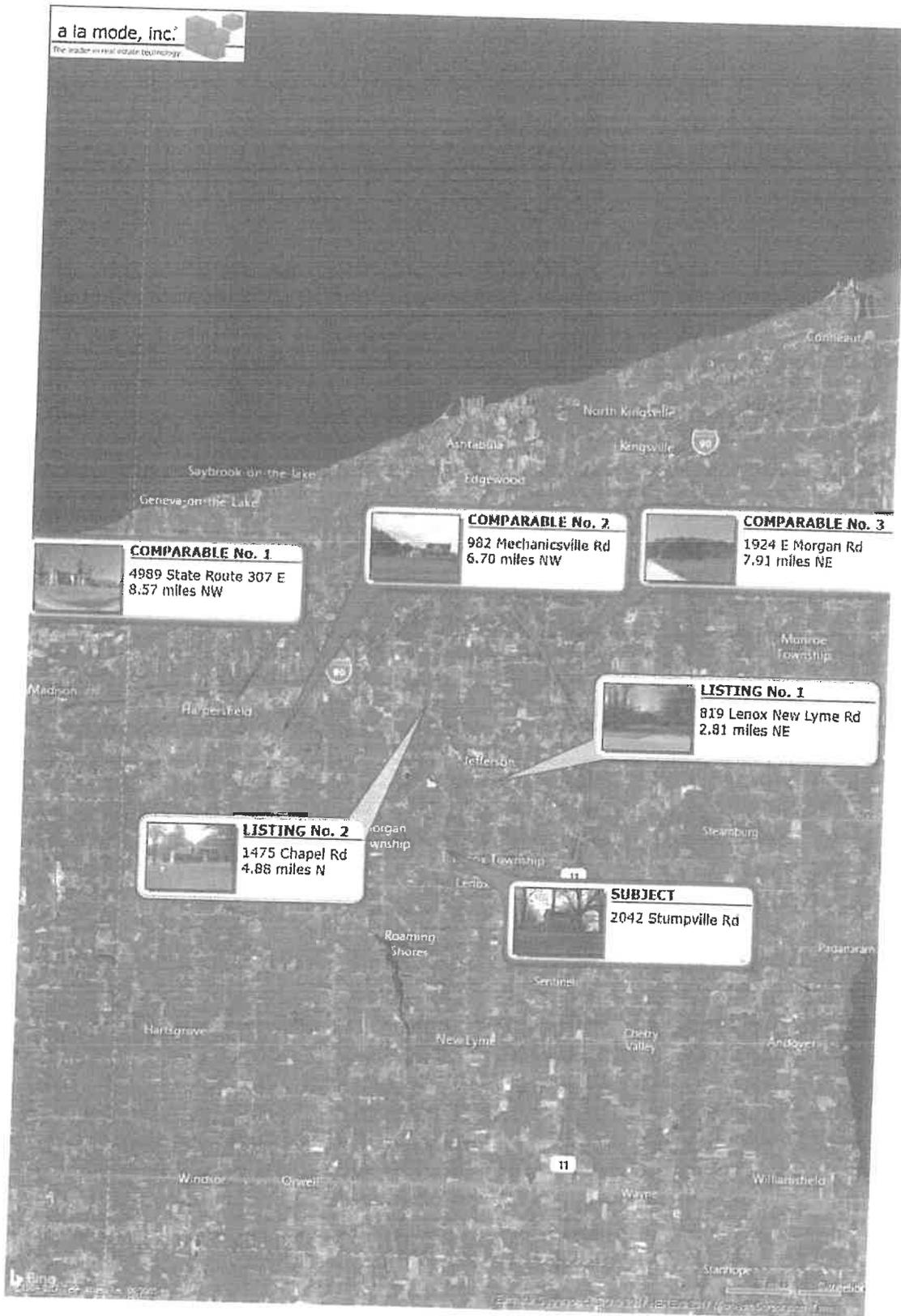
**• URAR: Improvements - Condition of the Property**

Water conditioning system. Newer gas furnace, new hardwood flooring in foyer, dining room and sitting area. Remodeled Kitchen has hickory cabinets, solid surface counter top, a center island with a breakfast bar, custom tile back splash and ceramic tile flooring. Family room has a gas freestanding fireplace and sliding glass doors that lead to the deck. Remodeled bath. Out building has heat, electric, insulated walls, concrete floor and a full loft. Additional updating to home include new gas fireplace in family room ( 2009 ), a/c, entrance doors, completely expanded and remodeled kitchen, newer electrical breaker panel, new basement concrete floor, wiring and lighting. Remodeled bath. Subject has an over sized 2 car garage with a work shop area.

**• URAR: Sales Comparison Analysis - Summary of Sales Comparison Approach**

The comparable search included all of the defined market area. The search was concentrated on competing Century Home dwellings of similar quality, condition, size, location and appeal. This search revealed a very limited comparable pool. The subjects rural location and lack of sales forced the search radius to be expanded into competing market areas. Realtor comments and interior photographs when provided were reviewed. The condition rating was based on the comments and photographs. Comparable 1 was listed as being completely remodeled in 2009. NOTE: this property was sold with a lot split from a main parcel of 75.91 acres. This split was verified with the Auditors real estate office. Comparables 2 and 3 are newer homes on larger sites from the subjects market area. Comparable 3 was inspected by the appraiser. No viable comparable were found to bracket the subjects site. Due to the subjects large lot size, lack of similar age comparables and a lack of viable similar comparables the gross adjustments have exceeded normal parameters. Comparable 1 was considered most similar in age and appeal. Therefore it carried the most weight in this report.

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# InterFlood

by a la mode

Prepared for: Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc  
 2042 Stumpville Rd  
 Jefferson, OH 44047



### MAP DATA

FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area: **No**  
 Map Number: **39007C0285D**  
 Zone: **X**  
 Map Date: **December 18, 2007**  
 FIPS: **39007**

### MAP LEGEND

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Salient Data:	
Date of Sale: 10/18/2017	Condition: C3
Borrower: Charles Johnston	Total Rooms: 9
Lender: Veterans United Home Loans/VA	Bedrooms: 4
Size (Sq.Ft): 2,464	Baths: 1.0
Price Per Square Foot: 115.26	Appraiser: Edward Kocin
Location: N;Res;	Effective Date of Value ("as of"): 11/27/2017
Age: 192	Final Opinion of Value: 293,000
Signer 1:	Signer 2:
Ed Kocin	
PO Box 115, Gates Mills, OH 44040-0115	
Signature:	Signature:
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Date Signed: 12/04/2017	Date Signed:

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**Department  
of Commerce**

Division of Real Estate  
& Professional Licensing

Mike DeWine, Governor  
Jon Husted, Lt. Governor

Sheryl Maxfield, Director

July 28, 2021

**IN THE MATTER OF: Dennis N Ruck – SAI\_0000429635  
CASE NO.: 2018-547  
NOTIFICATION OF FORMAL HEARING**

You are hereby notified that a formal hearing in the above matters, under the provisions of Chapter 119 of the Ohio Revised Code, has been scheduled for August 6, 2021.

Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 119.09, on its own motion, the Division continues said date to **August 30, 2021**, at 10:00 a.m., at 77 South High Street, 22nd Floor, Columbus, OH 43215 as the date for said hearing. **Please arrive 15-20 minutes before your scheduled hearing time in order to be processed through building security. Also bring your government-issued photo identification to obtain a visitor badge. If you do not have the required identification, please contact the division at 614-466-4100 immediately to make arrangements for a staff escort.**

When a hearing date has been set, an extension may be granted to any party for good cause shown. (See Revised Code 119.09)

In accordance with Governor DeWine's Statement on the New CDC Mask Guidance, all attendees "who have been vaccinated no longer need to wear masks, while those who have not been vaccinated should still wear a mask and socially distance" at the hearing.

The investigation conducted in this matter revealed reasonable and substantial evidence of acts in violation of Chapter 4735 of the Ohio Revised Code. If violations are proved, the licensee's real estate license may be disciplined, including, but not limited to, the suspension or revocation of the license. The factual allegations which are to be considered at this formal hearing are as set forth in the attached Schedule A.

Settlement is an option in most cases. If you are interested in entering into a settlement agreement with the Division, please contact Division Counsel Kimberley Wells at 614-466-5032. If a settlement is finalized prior to the hearing date, the hearing will be cancelled.

Sincerely,

Anne M. Petit,  
Superintendent

xc: Charles Carter, Assistant Attorney General  
Mark L Rodio, Esq., Respondent's counsel  
Loren Braverman, Hearing Officer  
Charles & Susan Johnston, Complainants  
Michael Banister, Investigator

**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**

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December 14, 2022

Dennis N Ruck  
4970 Monroe Center Rd  
Conneaut, OH 44030

Re: Case # 2018-547 Real Estate License File # SAL.0000429635

**ADJUDICATION ORDER**

Dear Mr. Ruck:

The above matter was presented to the Ohio Real Estate Commission at its December 7, 2022, meeting. The members of the Commission present were: Peter McLinden, Courtney Combs, Terry Hankner and Marlin Palich.

The question before the Commission was whether or not the real estate salesperson license of Dennis N Ruck, should be subject to disciplinary action for alleged violations of Revised Code 4735.18 as set out in the Schedule A of the Settlement Agreement (Settlement Agreement attached). The Ohio Real Estate Commission, upon review of the settlement agreement and testimony, adopted the Settlement Agreement entered into by Dennis N Ruck, and found the licensee to have violated the provisions described in the Schedule A of the Settlement Agreement.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED:

That the Ohio Real Estate Commission adopts the settlement agreement entered into by Dennis N Ruck, and he is found to have violated Revised Code 4735.18 as set out in the Schedule A of the Settlement Agreement. He is required to pay a one thousand (\$1000.00) dollar fine. He is also required to complete three (3) hours of additional education in the area of ethics and the twenty (20) hour post salesperson licensing course, to be completed within 90 days of the final order of the Ohio Real Estate Commission. Proof of completion shall be in the form of the education certificate and shall be submitted to the Division within 90 days.

AYE: COMMISSIONER MCLINDEN  
COMMISSIONER COMBS  
COMMISSIONER PALICH  
COMMISSIONER HANKNER

NAY: NONE

THE ONE THOUSAND (\$1000.00) DOLLAR FINE IS DUE **JANUARY 13, 2023**. PROOF OF COMPLETION OF THE EDUCATION IS TO BE SUBMITTED TO THE DIVISION BY **MARCH 14, 2023**. PURSUANT TO OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4735.051(I)(5), THIS ADDITIONAL EDUCATION SHALL NOT COUNT TOWARDS YOUR CONTINUING EDUCATION REQUIREMENTS. FAILURE TO PROMPTLY PAY THE HEREIN ORDERED FINE OR COMPLETE AND SUBMIT THE REQUIRED EDUCATION WILL RESULT IN AN AUTOMATIC SUSPENSION OF YOUR REAL ESTATE LICENSE. PLEASE RETURN A COPY OF THIS ORDER ALONG WITH YOUR PAYMENT AND/OR EDUCATION CERTIFICATE TO ENSURE PROPER APPLICATION OF YOUR PAYMENT/ SUBMISSION.

PLEASE BE ADVISED, PURSUANT TO ORC 131.02, ANY UNPAID FINES WILL BE CERTIFIED TO THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE FOR COLLECTION. ANY DEBT NOT RESOLVED TIMELY WITH THE OHIO ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE MAY BE SUBJECT TO ADDITIONAL FEES AND INTEREST, LEGAL REMEDY AND/OR LOSS OF YOUR STATE INCOME TAX REFUND.

AS REQUIRED BY OHIO REVISED CODE SECTION 4735.051(G), THE COMMISSION GIVES NOTICE THAT UNDER SOME CIRCUMSTANCES AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HAS SUFFERED FINANCIAL LOSS BECAUSE OF THE ACTIONS OF A REAL ESTATE LICENSEE MAY BE ENTITLED TO PAYMENT OUT OF THE OHIO REAL ESTATE RECOVERY FUND. THERE ARE EXCLUSIONS AND SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS THAT MUST BE FOLLOWED AS OUTLINED IN REVISED CODE SECTION 4735.12. FOR MORE INFORMATION, THOSE INDIVIDUALS AFFECTED SHOULD CONSULT A PRIVATE ATTORNEY.

OHIO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION  
by:



Daphne Hawk,  
Superintendent

xc: Charles & Susan Johnston, Complainants  
Scott Lynch Esq., Complainants' Counsel  
Mark L Rodio Esq., Respondent's Counsel  
Loren Braverman Esq., Hearing Officer  
Attachment  
Legal File

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BEFORE THE OHIO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

THE SUPERINTENDENT OF THE OHIO  
DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE AND  
PROFESSIONAL LICENSING,

CASE NO. 2018-547

v.

DENNIS N RUCK

**SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT**

This Agreement is entered into by and between (1) the State of Ohio, acting by and through the Superintendent of the Ohio Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing, Ohio Department of Commerce (hereinafter “the Superintendent”) and (2) Dennis N. Ruck (hereinafter “Respondent”), currently a licensed real estate salesperson in the State of Ohio (License # SAL. 429635). Hereinafter, parties (1) and (2) are collectively referred to as “the parties.”

**RECITALS**

A. The Superintendent, as a result of an investigation conducted by the Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing (“Division”), notified Respondent, via Notification of Formal Hearing dated July 28, 2021, that the Superintendent was proposing to take action against Respondent’s real estate salesperson’s license for violations of Ohio Revised Code (R.C.) 4735. In the same Notification of Formal Hearing, Respondent was advised that he was entitled to an administrative hearing. This hearing was originally scheduled for August 30, 2021.

B. The allegations in the Notification of Formal Hearing against Respondent as set forth in Schedule A are as follows (original and as amended):

**SCHEDULE A  
CASE NUMBER 2018-547**

You, Dennis N. Ruck, a licensed real estate salesperson, (SAL.0000429635), did the following in 2017 and leading up to 2017 with respect to the property located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio (hereinafter referred to as the “subject property”):

1. Failed to disclose previous water intrusion to the basement on the Residential Property Disclosure Form for the transaction in 2017 for sale of the subject property to Mr. and Mrs. Johnston in violation of ORC 4735.18(A)(9) as it incorporates ORC 4735.61 and ORC 4735.67(A) which prohibits a licensee from knowingly giving false information to any party in a real estate transaction and requires a licensee to disclose to any purchaser all material facts of which the licensee has actual knowledge pertaining to the physical condition of the property that the purchaser would not discover by a reasonably diligent inspection, including material defects in the property, respectively; and
2. Failed to obtain the necessary county permits for work you performed at the subject property prior to 2017 in violation of ORC 4735.18(A)(6) as it incorporates the Canons of Ethics for the Real Estate Industry, Article 4, which is dishonest or illegal dealing, gross negligence, incompetency or misconduct or gross negligence, incompetency or misconduct by a licensee such that the licensee fails to be knowledgeable of laws of Ohio pertinent to real estate.

**The charges that were issued in the Formal Notice of Hearing issued on July 28, 2021 has been amended as follows:**

**AMENDED SCHEDULE A  
CASE NUMBER 2018-547**

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C. The parties have agreed that the matter could be resolved, to the satisfaction of all parties, without a formal evidentiary hearing, and with considerable savings in terms of both time and monetary expense, and therefore, wish to enter into an agreement memorializing such resolution upon which only the parties can rely for all purposes.

WHEREAS, in consideration of the mutual promises contained herein, the parties hereby agree as follows:

1. This Settlement Agreement (“Agreement”) represents a compromise between the parties for the full, complete and final settlement of all of their claims, differences, and causes of action with respect to the allegations contained in the Notification of Formal Hearing and Amended Schedule A restated in Recital B, above, and other related issues.

2. The parties agree that the terms of this Compromise and Agreement bind the parties hereto, and their members, assigns and successors in interest.

3. This Agreement constitutes the entire agreement between the parties, and no promises, conditions, or obligations whatsoever, either expressed or implied, other than those set forth herein, shall be binding on either party.

4. Respondent acknowledges lawful service and receipt of the Notification of Formal Hearing (hereinafter “Notice”) and Schedule A issued by the Division on July 28, 2021. Respondent stipulates to the jurisdiction of the Division and the Ohio Real Estate Commission in this matter.

5. For purposes of settlement only and as between the parties only, Respondent admits and consents to the Facts as stated in Amended Schedule A of the Notice, as set forth in Recital B. This Agreement is entered into pursuant to Ohio R. Evid. 408 (Compromise and Offers to Compromise) and is not admissible to prove liability for any claim in any other proceeding, including between the Complainants that initiated this action and Respondent. This Agreement is the settlement of disputed claims and does not constitute an admission of liability by Respondent.

6. For purposes of settlement only, Respondent admits that his conduct as set forth in Recital B constitutes a violation of Ohio Revised Code Section 4735.18(A)(9) as it incorporates ORC 4735.61 and ORC 4735.67(A).

7. In consideration of the mutual covenants set forth herein, solely for purposes of settlement of this matter before the Ohio Real Estate Commission, Respondent hereby agrees that the Ohio Real Estate Commission may impose a maximum sanction as follows:

- a. Completion of three (3) hours of additional education in the area of ethics;
- b. Completion of the twenty (20) hour post sales course; and
- c. Payment of a one thousand (\$1,000.00) dollar fine.

Respondent understands and acknowledges that any additional hours of education imposed by the Ohio Real Estate Commission shall not be credited to Respondent's continuing education requirements for the renewal of his real estate salesperson's license.

8. Subject to this settlement agreement being accepted and approved by the Ohio Real Estate Commission, Respondent hereby waives his right to an administrative hearing pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119, any right to reconsider under R.C. 4735.19, and any appeal in this matter to any judicial body in the State of Ohio having jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to R.C. Chapters 119 and 4735. After being fully advised of his rights under R.C. Chapter 4735 and R.C. 119, Respondent knowingly, voluntarily and intelligently waives those rights.

9. Respondent understands that this matter will be reviewed by the Ohio Real Estate Commission at its next regularly scheduled meeting, who may accept, reduce the sanction or reject this Agreement. As limited herein, Respondent reserves the right to address the Ohio Real Estate Commission, prior to its consideration of this Agreement, to present argument and testimony, either orally or in writing, for the sole purpose of mitigation.

10. This Agreement is subject to approval by the Ohio Real Estate Commission.

11. Respondent and the Division acknowledge that this Agreement, if accepted and adopted by the Ohio Real Estate Commission, shall become a final order.

12. Respondent hereby acknowledges and agrees that if the payment of the fine and/or proof of completion of the additional education, as imposed by the Ohio Real Estate Commission pursuant to paragraph 7 above, is not paid in full within thirty (30) days of the date of the Final Order of the Ohio Real Estate Commission or proof of completion of the education is not submitted to the Division within ninety (90) days of the date of the Final Order of the Ohio Real Estate Commission, Respondent's real estate salesperson's license shall be automatically suspended until such fine is paid in full and/or education is submitted and the license is reactivated pursuant to O.A.C. 1301:5-1-18 and O.A.C. 1301:5-1-19. If the

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Respondent does not properly reactivate his license within twelve (12) months of the date of the suspension, Respondent's real estate salesperson's license shall be automatically revoked pursuant to O.A.C. 1301:5-1-18.

13. In the event the Ohio Real Estate Commission does not approve this Agreement, Respondent has the right to an administrative hearing pursuant to R.C. Chapter 119.

14. Respondent and the Division acknowledge that they have had the opportunity to seek legal counsel and obtain representation and advice before executing this Agreement.

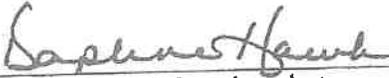
15. The undersigned have read this Agreement, understand all of its terms, if signing on behalf of a principal, have authority to sign settlement documents on its behalf, and have executed this Agreement voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and with full knowledge of its significance.

16. This Agreement may be signed in counterparts.

WHEREFORE, to show their agreement hereto, the parties and their counsel, if any, have hereunto set their hands on the dates set forth below.

  
DENNIS N. RUCK  
Respondent

Date: 09/08/2022

  
DAPHNE HAWK, Superintendent  
Division of Real Estate and Professional  
Licensing  
Ohio Department of Commerce

Date: 9.22.2022



**Department  
of Commerce**

Division of Real Estate  
& Professional Licensing

Mike DeWine, Governor  
Jon Husted, Lt. Governor

Sheryl Maxfield, Director

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR SATISFYING DISCIPLINE:**

**FINES:** Mail payments to: 6606 Tussing Rd  
PO Box 4008  
Reynoldsburg, OH 43068

\*Please make checks or money orders payable to: Division of Real Estate

\*Send a copy of the Adjudication Order and include case number on check or M.O.

**EDUCATION:** Email copies of education certificates to [brenda.bryant@com.ohio.gov](mailto:brenda.bryant@com.ohio.gov)

**SUSPENSION:** You **may not do any activities** that require a license during your period of suspension. At the end of the suspension, you will not need to file any documentation for reactivation.

**QUESTIONS:** Please direct inquiries regarding disciplinary matters to Brenda Bryant 614-466-5513 or Kim Wells 614-466-5032.

County of Franklin, SS

I, Daphne Hawk, Superintendent of the Ohio Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing, hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and exact reproduction of the original Adjudication Order, *Re: Dennis N. Ruck, Case No. 2018-547* of the Ohio Real Estate Commission entered on its journal, on the 7th day of December, 2022.



*Daphne Hawk*

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Daphne Hawk, Superintendent  
Ohio Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing  
December 14, 2022

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

A copy of the foregoing was served by mail to Mark Rodio, Pro Se Plaintiff's, this 14th day of June 2023

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Charles & Susan Johnston", written over a horizontal line.

Charles & Susan, Johnston  
Plaintiff's

**AMENDED SCHEDULE A  
CASE NUMBER 2023 CV 0168**

You, Dennis N. Ruck, a licensed real estate salesperson, (SAL.0000429635), did the following in 2017 and leading up to 2017 with respect to the property located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio (hereinafter referred to as the "subject property"):

1. Failed to disclose previous water intrusion to the basement on the Residential Property Disclosure Form for the transaction in 2017 for sale of the subject property to Mr. and Mrs Johnston in violation of ORC 4735.18(A)(9) as it incorporates ORC 4735.61 and ORC 4735.67(A) which prohibits a licensee from knowingly giving false information to any party in a real estate transaction and requires a licensee to disclose to any purchaser all material facts of which the licensee has actual knowledge pertaining to the physical condition of the property that the purchaser would not discover by a reasonably diligent inspection, including material defects in the property, respectively; and

2. Failed to obtain the necessary county permits for work you performed at the subject property prior to 2017 in violation of ORC 4735.18(A)(6) as it incorporates the Cannons of Ethics for the Real Estate Industry, Article 4, which is dishonest or illegal dealing, gross negligence, incompetency or misconduct or gross negligence, incompetency or misconduct by a licensee such that the licensee fails to be knowledgeable of laws of Ohio pertinent to real estate.

3. Failed to hook up water drains from sink to septic system vs running to creek. In violation with county plumbing codes. Electrical code violation by not getting proper permits to the garage. Built the building with out proper permits due to section 1607 Lenox Township Zoning Resolution.

The following distance requirements for Oil storage tanks shall apply:

1. No permanent storage tanks or separator units shall be located nearer than 250 feet to any dwelling;

2. No dwelling shall be erected nearer than 250 feet to any permanent storage tanks or separator units;

3. No permanent storage tanks or separator units to any building or structure which may be used as a place of resort, assembly, education, entertainment, lodging, trade, manufacturing, repair, storage, trafficker occupancy by the public;

4. This building is built 172 feet from oil storage tank which is in complete violation of this code Section 1607.

## Burden of proof allegation.

When a buyer agrees to accept property "as is" the seller is relieved of any duty to disclose latent defects. This being said, an "as is" contract relieves the seller on only of the duty of disclosing latent defects, it does not bar a buyer from asserting claims of fraudulent misrepresentation or fraudulent concealment. To prevail upon a claim of fraudulent concealment the injured party must establish.

- (1) actual concealment of a material: Dennis had shelving units blocking defects and piled up where a buyer cannot move them. Using hydraulic cement on stone walls.
- (2) with knowledge of the fact concealed: have paper showing things done in house for showing he poured concrete in basement with out permits from the county and he replaced windows in basement as well that leaked water into electrical breaker box. Plus he built the garage with out permits and no electrical inspections or septic hookups. built garage too close to oil storage tank. Have letter from township stating this.
- (3) an intent to mislead another into relying upon such conduct: Dennis made statement to Susan and I that the appraiser and inspector is the same person. If you look at contract for appraisal it says house has sump pump. This house never had a sump pump in 192 years, until we waterproofed the basement in july 2018.
- (4) followed by actual reliance thereon by such other person having the right to so rely; Dennis was the owner plus Realtor on this transaction. our realtor backed out and did not feel comfortable in working out of her area.
- (5) and with injury resulting to such person because of such reliance; We had to pump water out of basement, from a flood in spring 2018. We have pictures showing these defects plus we have the video of the walk thru when we looked at the house and another after the waterproofing was done. Spent thousands of dollars to get house back to code. Plumbing vent pipe for septic stoped below roof line. no gas cutoff within 3 feet of appliances. exposed electrical wiring under boards in attic and outside of house that went to barn.

*CASE# 2018-547 Commerc Dept. #6 This Proves the FRAUD. IN Settlement Agreement.*

## HOME IMPROVEMENTS IN RECENT YEARS

- 2009  
GAS FIREPLACE IN FAMILY ROOM
- 2010  
NEW CARRIER FURNACE WITH SETUP FOR AC
- 2011  
CUSTOM OAK FRONT ENTRY DOOR (BAIRD LUMBER)
- 2012  
AIR CONDITIONER  
DISHWASHER  
WASHER/DRYER (NEGOTIABLE)  
PATIO/FIREPIT  
ROOF REPLACED ON HOUSE
- 2013  
ADDITION OF HICKORY CABINETS TO DOUBLE ISLAND SIZE  
SOLID SURFACE COUNTERTOPS  
STONE BACKSPLASH  
STAINLESS STEEL UNDERMOUNT SINK  
LIGHTING  
CARPET/PAINT FAMILY ROOM
- 2014  
FIBERGLASS ENTRY DOOR IN FAMILY ROOM  
CARPET IN MASTER BEDROOM/DRESSING ROOM  
NEW WATER TANK AND SOFTENER
- 2015  
SEPTIC PUMPED/ABOVE GROUND ACCESS ADDED  
NEW VANITY, MIRROR, CABINET IN BATHROOM
- 2016  
BASEMENT WINDOWS  
CONCRETE MAIN PORTION OF BASEMENT, WIRING /LIGHTING  
NEW HOT WATER TANK  
NEW PORCH ROOF AND CEILING  
REPAIRS TO BARN WALL AND RAMP
- 2017  
New wood floor in dining room and front  
entry area \$1500 Labor

- 3/2018 Carpet on stairs and landing  
~~Instal~~ Insulation of attic \$2700
- 1/2018 wiring and lights in attic
- 5/2018 painting of the barn  
new lights on outside of barn
- 7/2018 200 Amp service for house \$3000
- WATER PROOFING BASEMENT

1 BUYER The undersigned (1) Charles Johnston (2) Susan Johnston offers to buy the

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3 PROPERTY located at 2042 Stumpville Rd, City Jefferson

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5 Ohio, Zip Code 44047 Permanent Parcel No 290070001200

6 and further described as being: Residential Property

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8 The property, which BUYER accepts in its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION, shall include the land, all  
9 appurtenant rights, privileges and easements, and all buildings and fixtures, including such of the following as are  
10 now on the property: all electrical, heating, plumbing and bathroom fixtures; all window and door shades, blinds,  
11 awnings, screens, storm windows, curtain and drapery fixtures; all landscaping, disposal, TV antenna, rotor and  
12 control unit, smoke detectors, garage door opener(s) and 2 controls; and all permanently attached carpeting.

13 The following items shall also remain:  satellite dish;  range and oven;  microwave;  kitchen refrigerator;  
14  dishwasher;  washer;  dryer;  radiator covers;  window air conditioner;  central air conditioning;  gas  
15 grill;  fireplace tools;  screen;  glass doors and grate;  all existing window treatments;  ceiling fan(s);  
16  wood burner stove inserts;  gas logs, and  water softener. Also included: Gas Fireplace.

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19 NOT included: \_\_\_\_\_

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22 **SECONDARY OFFER** This  is  is not a secondary offer. This secondary offer, if applicable, will become a  
23 primary offer upon BUYER's receipt of a signed copy of the release of the primary offer on or  
24 before \_\_\_\_\_ (date). BUYER shall have the right to terminate this secondary offer at any time prior to  
25 BUYER's receipt of said copy of the release of the primary offer by delivering written notice to the SELLER or the  
26 SELLER's agent. BUYER shall deposit earnest money within four (4) days of becoming the primary offer.

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28 **PRICE** BUYER shall pay the sum of \$ 284,000.00  
29 Payable as follows:

30 Earnest money paid to Broker will be deposited in a non-  
31 interest bearing trust account and credited against purchase price. \$ 1,000.00

32  Check to be deposited immediately upon acceptance of the offer.

33  Note to be redeemed within four (4) days after acceptance of the offer \$ \_\_\_\_\_

34 Cash to be deposited in escrow \$ \_\_\_\_\_

35 Mortgage loan to be obtained by BUYER \$ 283,000.00

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37  CONVENTIONAL,  FHA,  VA,  OTHER \_\_\_\_\_

38 **FINANCING** BUYER shall make a written application for the above mortgage loan within seven days  
39 after acceptance and shall obtain a commitment from \_\_\_\_\_ or such other lending institution  
40 chosen by BUYER for that loan on or about TBD. If the closing cannot occur by  
41 the scheduled closing date due to any government regulation or lender requirement, the date of closing shall be  
42 extended for the period necessary to satisfy these requirements, not to exceed fourteen (14) business days.  
43 If, despite BUYER's good faith efforts, that commitment has not been obtained, then this AGREEMENT shall be null  
44 and void. Upon signing of a mutual release by SELLER and BUYER, the earnest money deposit shall be returned to  
45 the BUYER without any further liability of either party to the other.

46 NOTE: In the event of a dispute between the SELLER and BUYER regarding the disbursement of the earnest  
47 money, the Broker is required by Ohio law to maintain such funds in his trust account until the Broker receives (a)  
48 written instructions signed by the parties specifying how the earnest money is to be disbursed or (b) a final court  
49 order that specifies to whom the earnest money is to be awarded. If within two (2) years from the date the earnest  
50 money was deposited in the Broker's trust account, the parties have not provided the Broker with such written  
51 release or written notice that such legal action to resolve the dispute has been filed, the Broker shall return the  
52 earnest money to the BUYER with no further notice to the SELLER

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the listing instruction of escrow agent on or about \_\_\_\_\_ and title shall be transferred on or about TBD

**POSSESSION** SELLER shall deliver possession to BUYER on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) at \_\_\_\_\_ (time)  AM  PM, provided the title has transferred. Subject to BUYER'S rights, if any, the premises may be occupied by the SELLER free for XXXXXXXX days, plus an additional XXXXXXXX days at a rate of \$XXXXXXXXXXXX per day to be held in escrow from SELLER'S proceeds and distributed to BUYER after closing, with any excess refunded to SELLER if possession is delivered earlier.

**TITLE** SELLER shall convey a marketable title to BUYER by general warranty deed and/or fiduciary deed, if required, with dower rights released, free and clear of all liens and encumbrances whatsoever, except a) any mortgage assumed by BUYER, b) such restrictions, conditions, easements (however created) and encroachments as do not materially adversely affect the use or value of the property, c) zoning ordinances, if any, and d) taxes and assessments, both general and special, not yet due and payable. SELLER shall furnish an Owner's Fee Policy of Title Insurance from CHICAGO / VENTURE in the amount of the purchase price with cost of the insuring premium split equally between SELLER and BUYER. If the property is torrenized, SELLER shall furnish an Owner's Duplicate Certificate of Title, and a United States Court Search and Tax Search. SELLER shall have thirty (30) days after notice to remove title defects. If unable to do so, BUYER may either a) accept Title subject to each defect without any reduction in the purchase price or b) terminate this AGREEMENT, in which case neither BUYER, SELLER nor any REALTOR(S)® shall have any further liability to each other, and both BUYER and SELLER agree to sign a mutual release, whereupon the Broker shall return the earnest money to BUYER.

**PRORATIONS** General taxes, annual maintenance fees, subdivision charges, special assessments, city and county charges and tenant's rents shall be prorated as of the date of the title transfer. Taxes and assessments shall be prorated based upon the latest available tax duplicate. However, if the tax duplicate is not yet available or the improved land is currently valued as land only, taxes and assessments shall be prorated based upon 35% of the selling price times the millage rate. The escrow agent is instructed to contact the local governmental taxing authority verify the correct tax value of the property as of the date of title transfer and pay the current taxes due to the date of the title transfer. If the property being transferred is new construction and recently completed or in the process of completion at the time the AGREEMENT was signed by the parties, the escrow agent is instructed to make a good faith estimate of the taxes to be owed on the value of the improved property to the date of title transfer and reserve sufficient funds in escrow from SELLER'S net proceeds to pay those taxes when they become due and payable after title transfer. The escrow agent is instructed to release the balance of the funds on reserve once they receive notice from the local county auditor that the taxes on the land and improvements have been paid in full to the date of title transfer. BUYER acknowledges that the latest available tax duplicate may not reflect the accurate amount of taxes and assessments that will be owed. SELLER agrees to reimburse BUYER directly outside of escrow for any increase in valuation and the cost of all passed or levied, but not yet certified, taxes and assessments, if any, prorated to the date of title transfer. SELLER is not aware of any proposed taxes or assessments, public or private, except the following:

In the event the property shall be deemed subject to any agricultural tax recoupment (C.A.U.V.),  BUYER  SELLER agrees to pay the amount of such recoupment.

**CHARGES/ESCROW INSTRUCTIONS** This AGREEMENT shall be used as escrow instructions subject to the Escrow Agent's usual conditions of acceptance. SELLER shall pay the following costs through escrow: a) real estate transfer tax, b) any amount required to discharge any mortgage, lien or encumbrance not assumed by BUYER, c) title exam and one-half the cost of insuring premium for Owners Fee Policy of Title Insurance, d) prorations due BUYER, e) Broker's commissions, f) one-half of the escrow (unless VA/FHA regulations prohibit payment of escrow fees by BUYER in which case SELLER shall pay the entire escrow fee), g) if SELLER is represented by Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty, a fee for brokerage services rendered as defined in Listing Agreement attached, h) the cost of preparation of the deed, and i) XXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXXX SELLER shall pay directly all utility charges to the date of title transfer or date of possession, whichever is later. The escrow agent shall withhold \$ XXXXXXXX from the proceeds due FOR SELLER for the SELLER'S final water and sewer bills. Tenant security deposits, if any, shall be credited in escrow to the BUYER.

BUYER shall pay the following through escrow (unless prohibited by VA/FHA regulations): a) one-half of the escrow fee; b) one-half the cost of insuring premiums for Owners Fee Policy of Title Insurance; c) all recording fees for the deed and any mortgage; d) BUYER understands that, at the closing of any property purchased by BUYER through BROKER'S services, BROKER may receive some of BROKER'S compensation paid by the listing broker and some

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117 Closing Disclosure (or any other settlement statement), and the Buyer(s) and Seller(s) hereby authorize and instruct  
118 the escrow agent to send a copy to their respective Broker(s) promptly after closing, which the Broker(s) may share  
119 with the other parties to the transaction.  
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121 In consideration of the brokerage services performed by BROKER for BUYER it is agreed that at the closing of any  
122 property purchased by BUYER through the brokerage services of BROKER, BUYER shall pay to BROKER the sum  
123 of \$265 as broker compensation. It is understood and agreed that this compensation shall be in addition to any  
124 brokerage compensation paid to BROKER by the listing broker of such property  
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126 BUYER shall secure new insurance on the property as of the Closing.  
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128 **HOME WARRANTY** BUYER acknowledges the availability of a XXXXXXXX Limited Home Warranty  
129 (with a deductible) which  will  will not be provided at a cost of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ charged to  SELLER   
130 BUYER in escrow at closing. SELLER and BUYER acknowledge that this LIMITED HOME WARRANTY will not  
131 cover any pre-existing defects in the property. Broker may receive a fee from the home warranty provider  
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133  The SELLER(s) hereby authorize and instruct the escrow agent to send a copy of their fully signed CLOSING  
134 DISCLOSURE  
135 Settlement Statement to the Brokers listed on this AGREEMENT promptly after closing.  
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137  The BUYER(s) hereby authorize and instruct the escrow agent to send a copy of their fully signed CLOSING  
138 DISCLOSURE  
139 Settlement Statement to the Brokers listed on this AGREEMENT promptly after closing.  
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141 **INSPECTION** This AGREEMENT shall be subject to the following inspection(s) by a qualified inspector of BUYER's  
142 choice within the specified number of days after formation of a binding agreement. BUYER assumes sole  
143 responsibility to select and retain a qualified inspector for each requested inspection and releases Broker of any and  
144 all liability regarding the selection or retention of the inspector(s). If BUYER does not elect inspections, BUYER  
145 acknowledges that BUYER is acting against the advice of BUYER's agent and broker. BUYER understands that all  
146 real property and improvements may contain defects and conditions that are not readily apparent and which may  
147 affect a property's use or value. BUYER and SELLER agree that the REALTORS® and agents do not guarantee and  
148 in no way assume responsibility for the property's condition. BUYER acknowledges that it is BUYER's own duty to  
149 exercise reasonable care to inspect and make diligent inquiry of the SELLER or BUYER's inspectors regarding the  
150 condition and systems of the property. INSPECTIONS REQUIRED BY ANY STATE, COUNTY, LOCAL  
151 GOVERNMENT OR FHAVA DO NOT NECESSARILY ELIMINATE THE NEED FOR THE INSPECTIONS LISTED  
152 BELOW.

153 **WAIVER** SLJ (BUYER's initials) BUYER elects to waive each professional inspection to which BUYER has  
154 not indicated "YES." Any failure by BUYER to perform any inspection indicated "YES" herein is a waiver of such  
155 inspection and shall be deemed absolute acceptance of the Property by BUYER in its "AS IS" condition.  
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Choice	Inspection		Expense		
			BUYER's	SELLER's	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes	<input type="checkbox"/> No	GENERAL HOME	w/i _____ days after acceptance of offer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	SEPTIC SYSTEM	w/i _____ days after acceptance of offer	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	PEST/ WOOD DESTROYING INSECTS	w/i _____ days after acceptance of offer	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
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172 After each inspection requested, BUYER shall have three (3) days to elect one or more of the following: a) remove  
174 the inspection contingency and accept the property in its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION; or b) accept  
175 the property subject to SELLER agreeing to have specific items that were either previously disclosed in writing by the  
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181 If the property is accepted in its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION, BUYER agrees to sign an Amendment  
182 to this AGREEMENT removing the inspection contingency and this AGREEMENT will proceed in full force and effect.  
183 If the property is accepted, subject to the SELLER repairing specific defects, BUYER shall provide to SELLER a copy  
184 of the inspection report(s) and sign an Amendment to this AGREEMENT removing the inspection contingency and  
185 identifying the defects that are to be repaired. SELLER and BUYER shall have three (3) days from SELLER's receipt  
186 of the written list of defects and the inspection report(s) to agree in writing which defects, if any, will be corrected at  
187 SELLER's expense. If a written agreement is not signed by SELLER and BUYER within those three (3) days, this  
188 AGREEMENT is null and void and SELLER and BUYER agree to sign a mutual release. If the BUYER elects to  
189 terminate this AGREEMENT based upon newly discovered material latent defects in the property, BUYER shall  
190 provide a copy of the written inspection report to the SELLER and both parties agree to promptly sign a mutual  
191 release. Upon signing of a mutual release by SELLER and BUYER, the earnest money deposit shall be returned to  
192 the BUYER without any further liability of either party to the other or to Broker(s). The BUYER and SELLER can  
193 mutually agree **IN WRITING** to extend the dates for inspections, repairs, or to exercise their right to terminate the  
194 AGREEMENT. SELLER agrees to provide reasonable access to the property for BUYER to review and approve any  
195 conditions corrected by SELLER.  
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197 **LEAD-BASED PAINT**  Yes  No BUYER shall have the right to have a risk assessment or inspection of the  
198 property by a qualified inspector, for the presence of lead-based paint and/or lead based paint hazards at BUYER's  
199 expense within ten (10) days after formation of a binding agreement. (Intact lead-based paint that is in good condition  
200 is not necessarily a hazard. See EPA pamphlet "Protect Your Family From Lead in Your Home" for more  
201 information.) In the event existing deficiencies or corrections are identified by the inspector in its written report,  
202 BUYER shall have the right to terminate this AGREEMENT or request that the SELLER repair the specific existing  
203 deficiencies noted on the written inspection report. In the latter event, BUYER agrees to immediately provide  
204 SELLER with a copy of the written inspection and/or risk assessment report. Upon receipt of the inspection report  
205 and BUYER's request for repairs, SELLER will have the option to either agree to correct the deficiencies identified in  
206 the inspector's written report or decline to do any repairs. If SELLER elects to correct the deficiencies, SELLER  
207 agrees to provide BUYER, prior to Title Transfer, with a certificate from a qualified risk assessor or inspector  
208 demonstrating that the deficiencies have been remedied. If the SELLER declines to correct the deficiencies, BUYER  
209 may elect to terminate this AGREEMENT or accept the property in its "AS IS" condition. BUYER may remove this  
210 right of inspection at any time without SELLER's consent.  
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212 BUYER  HAS SLJ DM (BUYER's initials) received a copy of the EPA pamphlet entitled "PROTECT YOUR  
213 FAMILY FROM LEAD IN YOUR HOME" and a copy of the "DISCLOSURE ON LEAD-BASED PAINT AND/OR  
214 LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS."  
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216 BUYER  HAS NOT \_\_\_\_\_ (BUYER's initials) received a copy of the EPA pamphlet entitled "PROTECT  
217 YOUR FAMILY FROM LEAD IN YOUR HOME" and a copy of the "DISCLOSURE ON LEAD-BASED PAINT  
218 AND/OR LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS (disclosure form)." This offer is subject to the SELLER completing the  
219 disclosure form and BUYER's review and approval of the information contained on the disclosure form within three  
220 (3) business days from receipt.  
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222 **MEGAN'S LAW** SELLER warrants that SELLER has disclosed to BUYER all notices received pursuant to Ohio's sex  
223 offender law. The BUYER acknowledges that the information disclosed may no longer be accurate and agrees to  
224 inquire with the local Sheriff's office. BUYER agrees to assume the responsibility to check with the local Sheriff's  
225 office for additional information. BUYER will rely on BUYER'S own inquiry with the local Sheriff's office as to  
226 registered sex offenders in the area and will not rely on SELLER or any real estate agent involved in the transaction.  
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228 **CONDITION OF PROPERTY** BUYER has examined the property and agrees that the property is being purchased in  
229 its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION including any defects disclosed by the SELLER on the State of Ohio  
230 Residential Property Disclosure Form or identified by any inspections requested by either party. SELLER agrees to  
231 notify BUYER in writing of any additional disclosure items that arise between the date of acceptance and the date of  
232 recording of the deed. BUYER has not relied upon any representations, warranties or statements about the property  
233 (including but not limited to its condition or use) unless otherwise disclosed on this AGREEMENT or on the  
234 Residential Property Disclosure Form.  
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236 BUYER  HAS SLJ DM (BUYER's initials) received a copy of the Residential Property Disclosure Form signed  
237 by SELLER on \_\_\_\_\_ (date) prior to writing this offer  
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SLJ DM

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approval of the information contained on the disclosure form with which you received this agreement.

BUYER acknowledges \_\_\_\_\_ (BUYER's initials) SELLER will not complete or is exempt from completing the Residential Property Disclosure Form pursuant to Ohio Rev. Code Section 5302.30. SELLER shall pay all costs for the repair of any gas and/or water line leak found between the street and foundation at the time of transfer of utilities. SELLER agrees to comply with any and all local governmental point of sale laws and/or ordinances. SELLER will promptly provide BUYER with copies of any notices received from governmental agencies to inspect or correct any current building code or health violations, if applicable. BUYER and SELLER shall have \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) days after receipt by BUYER of all notices to agree in writing which party will be responsible for the correction of any building code or health violation(s). In the event BUYER and SELLER cannot agree in writing, this AGREEMENT can be declared null and void by either party.

**REPRESENTATIONS AND DISCLAIMERS** BUYER acknowledges that the SELLER completed the Residential Property Disclosure Form and agrees to hold the Broker(s) and their agents harmless from any misstatements or errors made by the SELLER on the form. BUYER also acknowledges and agrees that the Broker(s) and their agents have no obligation to verify or investigate the information provided by the SELLER on that form. BUYER hereby acknowledges that any representation by SELLER or the real estate agent(s) regarding the square footage of the rooms, structures or lot dimensions, homeowner's fees, public and private assessments, utility bills, taxes and special assessments are approximate and not guaranteed. Please list any and all verbal representations made by Broker(s) or their agents that you relied upon when purchasing this property (if none, write "none"):

**DAMAGE** If any building or other improvements are destroyed or damaged in excess of ten percent (10%) of the purchase price prior to title transfer, BUYER may either accept the insurance proceeds for said damage (with SELLER paying any deductible) and complete this transaction or may terminate this AGREEMENT and receive the return of all deposits made. If such damage is less than ten percent (10%) of the purchase price, SELLER shall restore the property to its prior condition.

**FAIR HOUSING LAWS** It is illegal, pursuant to the Ohio Fair Housing Law, Division (H) of Section 4112.02 of the Revised Code and the Federal Fair Housing Law, 42 U.S.C.A. 3601, to refuse to sell, transfer, assign, rent, lease, sublease, or finance housing accommodations, refuse to negotiate for the sale or rental of housing accommodations or otherwise deny or make unavailable housing accommodations because of race, color, religion, sex, familial status as defined in Section 4112.01 of the Revised Code, ancestry, military status as defined in that section, disability as defined in that section, or national origin; or to so discriminate in advertising the sale or rental of housing, in the financing of housing, or in the provision of real estate brokerage services. It is also illegal, for profit, to induce or attempt to induce a person to sell or rent a dwelling by representations regarding the entry into the neighborhood of a person or persons belonging to one of the protected classes.

**BINDING AGREEMENT** Upon written acceptance and then either written or verbal notice of such acceptance to the last-offering party, this offer and any addenda listed below shall become a LEGALLY BINDING AGREEMENT UPON BUYER AND SELLER and their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns and shall represent the entire understanding of the parties regarding this transaction. All counter-offers, amendments, changes or deletions to this AGREEMENT shall be in writing and be signed by both BUYER and SELLER. Facsimile signatures shall be deemed binding and valid. This AGREEMENT shall be used as escrow instructions subject to the Escrow Agent's usual conditions of acceptance. For purposes of this AGREEMENT, "days" shall be defined as calendar days. **This AGREEMENT is a legally binding contract, if you have any questions of law, consult your attorney.**

**ADDENDA** The additional terms and conditions in the attached addenda are made part of this AGREEMENT:  
 Agency Disclosure Form,  Residential Property Disclosure Form,  VA,  FHA,  FHA Home Inspection Notice.  
 Condo,  House Sale Contingency,  House Sale Concurrency,  Lead Based Paint  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Other

**The terms and conditions of any addenda supersede any conflicting terms in this AGREEMENT.**

**FULL SERVICE COMMITMENT** Buyer's and Seller's initials indicate that a full explanation of the services and benefits available through Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty affiliated Mortgage and Title services has been provided. \_\_\_\_\_ (Buyer) \_\_\_\_\_ (Seller).

Page 5 of 6   (SELLER's initials)   (BUYER's initials) Offer to Purchase 1/12

301  
302 (BUYER Signature) (Date)  
303 Susan Johnston  
304 (Print BUYER Name)  
305 1002 cherry wood ct., dieburne, TX 76033  
306 (BUYER Address and ZIP Code)  
307 jabbersue71@yahoo.com  
308 (BUYER Email)

(BUYER Signature) (Date)  
Susan Johnston  
(Print BUYER Name)  
  
(BUYER Phone No.)

309 **DEPOSIT RECEIPT** Receipt is hereby acknowledged of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ earnest money by  check   
310 note,  
311 subject to terms of the above offer.

313 **ACCEPTANCE** SELLER accepts the above offer and irrevocably instructs, the escrow agent to pay from

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315 SELLER'S escrow funds a commission of none percent  
316 (      %)

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318 of the purchase price to Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty (Broker)  
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320 14775 Pearl Road, Strongsville, OH 44136 (Address)

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322 and \_\_\_\_\_ percent \_\_\_\_\_ of  
323 the  
324 purchase price to \_\_\_\_\_ (Broker)  
325 \_\_\_\_\_ (Address)

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328 as the sole procuring agents in this transaction.

329 **TITLE** is presently in the name of (please  
330 print): Dennis Ruck Roberta A Peterson- Ruck

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332 Dennis Ruck 12/13/17  
333 (SELLER Signature) (Date)

334 Denny Ruck  
335 (Print SELLER Name)  
336 1 lawyers row, jefferson, OH 44047  
337 (SELLER Address and ZIP Code)  
338 dennyruck@gmail.com  
339 (SELLER Email)

Roberta A. Peterson Ruck 12/13/17  
(SELLER Signature) (Date)

R Ann Peterson Ruck  
(Print SELLER Name)  
440-812-5245  
(SELLER Phone No.)

340 The following information is provided solely for the Multiple Listing Services' use and will be completed by the  
341 Brokers or their agents and is not part of the terms of the Purchase Agreement.

Multiple Listing Information:	
<u>Denny Ruck</u> (Listing agent signature)	DENNY RUCK (Print listing agent name and license #)
BHHS PRO	9396 (Listing broker office #)
(Listing broker name)	DENNY RUCK 429635 (Print selling agent name and license #)
<u>Denny Ruck</u> (Selling agent signature)	9396 (Selling broker office #)
BHHS PRO	
(Selling broker name)	



## RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE FORM

**Purpose of Disclosure Form:** This is a statement of certain conditions and information concerning the property actually known by the owner. An owner may or may not have lived at the property and unless the potential purchaser is informed in writing, the owner has no more information about the property than could be obtained by a careful inspection of the property by a potential purchaser. Unless the potential purchaser is otherwise informed, the owner has not conducted any inspection of generally inaccessible areas of the property. This form is required by Ohio Revised Code Section 5302.30.

**THIS FORM IS NOT A WARRANTY OF ANY KIND BY THE OWNER OR BY ANY AGENT OR SUBAGENT REPRESENTING THE OWNER. THIS FORM IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY INSPECTIONS. POTENTIAL PURCHASERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO OBTAIN THEIR OWN PROFESSIONAL INSPECTION(S).**

**Owner's Statement:** The statements contained in this form are made by the owner and are not the statements of the owner's agent or subagent. The statements contained in this form are provided by the owner only to potential purchasers in a transfer made by the owner. The statements are not for purchasers in any subsequent transfers. The information contained in this disclosure form does not limit the obligation of the owner to disclose an item of information that is required by any other statute or law to be disclosed in the transfer of residential real estate.

### OWNER INSTRUCTIONS

**Instructions to Owner:** (1) Answer ALL questions. (2) Report known conditions affecting the property. (3) Attach additional pages with your signature if additional space is needed. (4) Complete this form yourself. (5) If some items do not apply to your property, write NA (not applicable). If the item to be disclosed is not within your actual knowledge, indicate Unknown.

Owner's Initials  Date 06/16/2017  
Owner's Initials  Date 06/16/2017

Purchaser's Initials  Date 9/8/17  
Purchaser's Initials  Date 10/18/17



STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to section 5302.30 of the Revised Code and rule 1301.5-6-10 of the Administrative Code.

TO BE COMPLETED BY OWNER (Please Print)

Property Address:

2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Owners Name(s):

R. Ann Peterson Ruck

Date: 06/16/2017

Owner [X] is [ ] is not occupying the property. If owner is occupying the property, since what date: 1986

If owner is not occupying the property, since what date:

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS OF THE OWNER ARE BASED ON OWNER'S ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE

A) WATER SUPPLY: The source of water supply to the property is (check appropriate boxes):

- Public Water Service
Private Water Service
[X] Private Well
Shared Well

- Holding Tank
Cistern
Spring
Pond

- Unknown
Other

Empty rectangular box for additional information.

Do you know of any current leaks, backups or other material problems with the water supply system or quality of the water? [X] Yes
No [X] If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed (but not longer than the past 5 years):

Is the quantity of water sufficient for your household use? (NOTE: water usage will vary from household to household) [ ] Yes [X] No

B) SEWER SYSTEM: The nature of the sanitary sewer system servicing the property is (check appropriate boxes):

- Public Sewer
Leach Field
Unknown

- Private Sewer
Aeration Tank
Other

- [X] Septic Tank
Filtration Bed

If not a public or private sewer, date of last inspection: 2015 Inspected By:

Do you know of any previous or current leaks, backups or other material problems with the sewer system servicing the property?
Yes [ ] No [X] If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed (but not longer than the past 5 years):
pump in 2015

Information on the operation and maintenance of the type of sewage system serving the property is available from the department of health or the board of health of the health district in which the property is located.

C) ROOF: Do you know of any previous or current leaks or other material problems with the roof or rain gutters? [ ] Yes [X] No
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed (but not longer than the past 5 years):

D) WATER INTRUSION: Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space? [ ] Yes [X] No
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

Owner's Initials [Signature] Date
Owner's Initials [Signature] Date

Purchaser's Initials [Signature] Date 6/13/17
Purchaser's Initials [Signature] Date 6/13/17

Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding, moisture seepage, moisture condensation, ice damming, sewer overflow/backup, or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures or appliances?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had the property inspected for mold by a qualified inspector?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe and indicate whether you have an inspection report and any remediation undertaken: \_\_\_\_\_

**Purchaser is advised that every home contains mold. Some people are more sensitive to mold than others. If concerned about this issue, purchaser is encouraged to have a mold inspection done by a qualified inspector.**

**E) STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FOUNDATION, BASEMENT/CRAWL SPACE, FLOORS, INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR WALLS):** Do you know of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks settling (other than visible minor cracks or blemishes) or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or interior/exterior walls?  
 Yes  No If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, alterations or modifications to control the cause or effect of any problem identified (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any previous or current fire or smoke damage to the property?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**F) WOOD DESTROYING INSECTS/TERMITES:** Do you know of any previous/current presence of any wood destroying insects/termites in or on the property or any existing damage to the property caused by wood destroying insects/termites?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe and indicate any inspection or treatment (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**G) MECHANICAL SYSTEMS:** Do you know of any previous or current problems or defects with the following existing mechanical systems? If your property does not have the mechanical system, mark N/A (Not Applicable).

	YES	NO	N/A		YES	NO	N/A
1) Electrical	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8) Water softener	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Plumbing (pipes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Is water softener leased?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Central heating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9) Security System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Central Air conditioning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Is security system leased?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Sump pump	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10) Central vacuum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) Fireplace/chimney	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11) Built in appliances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Lawn sprinkler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12) Other mechanical systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs to the mechanical system (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**H) PRESENCE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** Do you know of the previous or current presence of any of the below identified hazardous materials on the property?

	Yes	No	Unknown
1) Lead-Based Paint	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Asbestos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Urea-Formaldehyde Foam Insulation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Radon Gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. If "Yes", indicate level of gas if known	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Other toxic or hazardous substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, remediation or mitigation to the property: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Initials  Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner's Initials  Date \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Initials  Date 10/18/17  
 Purchaser's Initials  Date 10/18/17

I) **UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS/WELLS:** Do you know of any underground storage tanks (existing or removed), oil or natural gas wells (plugged or unplugged), or abandoned water wells on the property?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any oil, gas, or other mineral right leases on the property?  Yes  No

**Purchaser should exercise whatever due diligence purchaser deems necessary with respect to oil, gas, and other mineral rights. Information may be obtained from records contained within the recorder's office in the county where the property is located.**

J) **FLOOD PLAIN/LAKE ERIE COASTAL EROSION AREA:** Yes  No  Unknown   
 Is the property located in a designated flood plain?  Yes  No  
 Is the property or any portion of the property included in a Lake Erie Coastal Erosion Area?  Yes  No

K) **DRAINAGE/EROSION:** Do you know of any previous or current flooding, drainage, settling or grading or erosion problems affecting the property?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, modifications or alterations to the property or other attempts to control any problems (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

L) **ZONING/CODE VIOLATIONS/ASSESSMENTS/HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION:** Do you know of any violations of building or housing codes, zoning ordinances affecting the property or any nonconforming uses of the property?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the structure on the property designated by any governmental authority as a historic building or as being located in an historic district? (NOTE: such designation may limit changes or improvements that may be made to the property).  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any recent or proposed assessments, fees or abatements, which could affect the property?  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

List any assessments paid in full (date:amount) \_\_\_\_\_  
 List any current assessments: \_\_\_\_\_ monthly fee \_\_\_\_\_ Length of payment (years \_\_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_\_)

Do you know of any recent or proposed rules or regulations of, or the payment of any fees or charges associated with this property, including but not limited to a Community Association, SID, CID, LID, etc.  Yes  No  
 If "Yes", please describe (amount): \_\_\_\_\_

M) **BOUNDARY LINES/ENCROACHMENTS/SHARED DRIVEWAY/PARTY WALLS:** Do you know of any of the following conditions affecting the property? Yes No Yes No

1) Boundary Agreement	<input type="checkbox"/>	4) Shared Driveway	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
2) Boundary Dispute	<input type="checkbox"/>	5) Party Walls	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>
3) Recent Boundary Change	<input type="checkbox"/>	6) Encroachments From or on Adjacent Property	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

N) **OTHER KNOWN MATERIAL DEFECTS:** The following are other known material defects in or on the property:  
Basin Roof may have leaks during Rain Fall OK

For purposes of this section, material defects would include any non-observable physical condition existing on the property that could be dangerous to anyone occupying the property or any non-observable physical condition that could inhibit a person's use of the property.

Owner's Initials RDR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
 Owner's Initials DR Date \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Initials CJ Date 10/18/17  
 Purchaser's Initials SLS Date 10/18/17



## HOME IMPROVEMENTS IN RECENT YEARS

- 2009  
GAS FIREPLACE IN FAMILY ROOM
- 2010  
NEW CARRIER FURNACE WITH SETUP FOR AC
- 2011  
CUSTOM OAK FRONT ENTRY DOOR (BAIRD LUMBER)
- 2012  
AIR CONDITIONER  
DISHWASHER  
WASHER/DRYER (NEGOTIABLE)  
PATIO/FIREPIT  
ROOF REPLACED ON HOUSE
- 2013  
ADDITION OF HICKORY CABINETS TO DOUBLE ISLAND SIZE  
SOLID SURFACE COUNTERS  
STONE BACKSPLASH  
STAINLESS STEEL UNDERMOUNT SINK  
LIGHTING  
CARPET/PAINT FAMILY ROOM
- 2014  
FIBERGLASS ENTRY DOOR IN FAMILY ROOM  
CARPET IN MASTER BEDROOM/DRESSING ROOM  
NEW WATER TANK AND SOFTENER
- 2015  
SEPTIC PUMPED/ABOVE GROUND ACCESS ADDED  
NEW VANITY, MIRROR, CABINET IN BATHROOM
- 2016  
BASEMENT WINDOWS  
CONCRETE MAIN PORTION OF BASEMENT, WIRING /LIGHTING  
NEW HOT WATER TANK  
NEW PORCH ROOF AND CEILING  
REPAIRS TO BARN WALL AND RAMP
- 2017  
New wood floor in dining room and front entry area



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HomeServices  
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**Acknowledgement of Receipt**

I acknowledge that I received a copy of the Consumer Guide to Agency Relationships in the State of Ohio. I understand that the receipt of this information in no way constitutes an agent/client relationship and that I have no obligation to Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty or its' agents at this time.

Susan Johnston  
Name (Please Print)

Susan Johnston 10/18/17  
Signature Date

Charles Johnston  
Name (Please Print)

Charles Johnston 10/18/17  
Signature Date

ADDENDUM: A

This is an Addendum to the Purchase Agreement dated 10/18/2017  
for the purchase and sale of the Property known as:

(Street Address) 2042 Stumpville Road

(City) Jefferson, Ohio (Zip Code) 44047

between susan johnston (Buyer) and

R. Ann Peterson Ruck and Denny Ruck (Seller).

The following is hereby mutually agreed upon by said Buyer(s) and Seller(s):

Things To Stay

Bird Bath, Glider, Dehumidifier, Parlor & Entry Cabinetry, 3 Garage Benches, Misc stuff in upstairs Barn including Coke Cola cooler, Metal conduit, Siding, Bench and some metal cabinetry, Aerator,

[Signature] 10/18/17  
BUYER DATE

Denny Ruck 10/18/17 11:00AM  
SELLER DATE  
dotloco verified  
10/18/17 11:00AM  
EDT  
SBT4-AMR1-JYGA-PFVP

Susan Johnston 10/18/17  
BUYER DATE

Roberta A. Peterson Ruck 10/18/17  
SELLER DATE



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Professional Realty

# OHIO CONSUMER GUIDE TO AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS

We are pleased you have selected Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty to help you with your real estate needs. Whether you are selling, buying or leasing real estate Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty can provide you with expertise and assistance. Because this may be the largest financial transaction you will enter into, it is important to understand the role of the agents and brokers with whom you are working. Below is some information that explains the various services agents can offer and their options for working with you.

For more information on agency law in Ohio you can also contact the Ohio Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing at (614) 466-4100, or on their website [www.com.state.oh.us](http://www.com.state.oh.us).

We hope you find this information to be helpful to you as you begin your real estate transaction. When you are ready to enter into a transaction, you will be given an Agency Disclosure Statement that specifically identifies the role of the agents and brokerages. Please ask questions if there is anything you do not understand.

**Because it is important that you have this information Ohio law requires that we ask you to sign below, acknowledging receipt of this pamphlet. Your signature will not obligate you to work with our company if you do not choose to do so.**

### ***Representing the Sellers***

Most sellers of real estate choose to list their home for sale with a real estate brokerage. When they do so, they sign a listing agreement that authorizes the brokerage and the listing agent to represent their interests. As the seller's agent, the brokerage and listing agent must: follow the seller's lawful instructions, be loyal to the seller, promote the seller's best interests, disclose material facts to the seller maintain confidential information, act with reasonable skill and care and, account for any money they handle in the transaction. In rare circumstances a listing broker may offer "sub-agency" to other brokerages which would also represent the seller's interests and owe the seller these same duties.

### ***Representing Buyers***

When purchasing real estate, buyers usually choose to work with a real estate agent as well. Often the buyers want to be represented in the transaction. This is referred to as buyer's agency. A brokerage and agent that agree to represent a buyer's interest in a transaction must: follow the buyer's lawful instructions, be loyal to the buyer, promote the buyer's best interests, disclose material facts to the buyer, maintain confidential information and, account for any money they handle in the transaction.

### ***Dual Agency***

Occasionally the same agent and brokerage who represents the seller also represents the buyer. This is referred to as dual agency. When a brokerage and its agents become "dual agents," they must maintain a neutral position in the transaction. They may not advocate the position of one client over the best interests of the other client, or disclose any confidential information to the other party without written consent.

### ***Representing Both the Buyer & Seller***

On occasion, the buyer and seller will each be represented by two different agents from the same brokerage. In this case the agents may each represent the best interest of their respective clients. Or, depending on company policy, the agents may both act as dual agents and remain neutral in the transaction. When either of the above occurs, the

brokerage will be considered a dual agent. As a dual agent the brokerage and its managers will maintain a neutral position and cannot advocate for the position of one client over another. The brokerage will also protect the confidential information of both parties.

### ***Working With Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty***

Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty offers representation to both buyers and sellers, therefore the potential exists for one agent to represent a buyer who wishes to purchase property listed with another agent in our company. If this occurs each agent will represent their own client, but Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty and its managers will act as a dual agent. This means the brokerage and its managers will maintain a neutral position and not take any actions that will favor one side over the other. Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty will still supervise both agents to assure that their respective clients are being fully represented and will protect the parties' confidential information. In the event that both the buyer and seller are represented by the same agent and that agent and Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty will act as a dual agent but only if both parties agree.

As a dual agent they will treat both parties honestly, prepare and present offers at the direction of the parties, and help the parties fulfill the terms of any contract. They will not, however, disclose any confidential information that would place one party at an advantage over the other or advocate or negotiate to the detriment of either party. If dual agency occurs you will be asked to consent to that in writing. If you do not agree to your agent acting as a dual agent, you can ask that another agent in our company be assigned to represent you or you can seek representation from another brokerage. As a buyer you may also choose to represent yourself on properties Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty has listed. In that instance Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty will represent the seller and you would represent your own best interests. Because the listing agent has a duty of full disclosure to the seller you should not share any information with the listing agent that you would not want the seller to know.

### ***Working With Other Brokerages***

When Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty lists property for sale it also cooperates with, and offers compensation to, other brokerages that represent buyers. Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty does reserve the right, in some instances, to vary the compensation it offers to other brokerages.

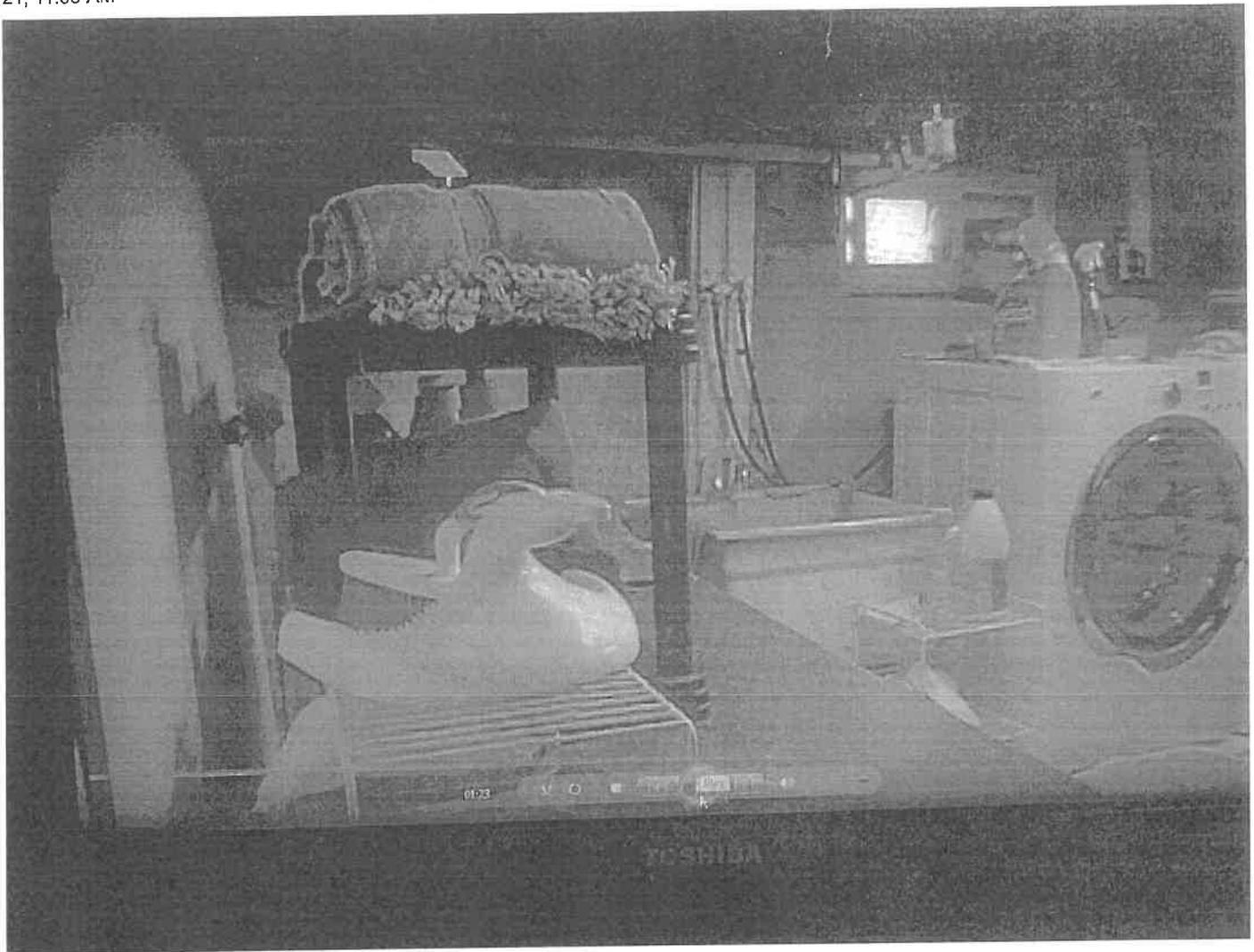
As a seller, you should understand that just because Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty shares a fee with a brokerage representing the buyer, it does not mean that you will be represented by that brokerage. Instead that company will be looking out for the buyer and Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty will be representing your interests. When acting as a buyer's agent, Berkshire Hathaway Home Services Professional Realty also accepts compensation offered by the listing broker. If the property is not listed with any broker, or the listing broker does not offer compensation, we will attempt to negotiate for a seller-paid fee.

### ***Fair Housing Statement***

It is illegal, pursuant to the Ohio Fair Housing Law, Division (H) of Section 4112.02 of the Revised Code and the Federal Fair Housing law, 42 U.S.C.A. 3601, as amended, to refuse to sell, transfer, assign, rent, lease, sublease or finance housing accommodations, refuse to negotiate for the sale or rental of housing accommodations, or otherwise deny or make unavailable housing accommodations because of race, color, religion, sex, familial status as defined in section 4112.01 of the Revised Code, ancestry, military status as defined in that section, disability as defined in that section, or national origin or to so discriminate in advertising the sale or rental of housing, in the financing of housing, or in the provision of real estate brokerage services.

It is also illegal, for profit, to induce or attempt to induce a person to sell or rent a dwelling by representations regarding the entry into the neighborhood of a person or persons belonging to one of the protected classes













Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**Johnston**

1 message

Wed, Sep 29, 2021 at 1:31 AM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>

To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>, Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>

Video watch the last part it shows the wall that leaked was clearly hidden and no inspector would move all of that stuff on shelving to look for leaks. Even laundry room was wall to wall stuff.

Sent from Yahoo Mail for iPhone

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16044K





Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Johnston Case House, request from mortgage company**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 11:06 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** michael.banister@com.state.oh.us <michael.banister@com.state.oh.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 19, 2020, 12:09:59 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Johnston Case House, request from mortgage company

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** dennis ruck <dennyruck@gmail.com>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Saturday, October 28, 2017, 08:55:54 AM EDT  
**Subject:** Re: House, request from mortgage company

Hi Charles, Thanks for sending contact number for loan officer, I will give him call on Monday. It's raining this morning and a little cool and Ann and me have some properties to look at today. Hopefully will find one we like today take care say hello to Susan and will talk soon Thanks Denny.

On Oct 27, 2017, at 10:00 PM, Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com> wrote:

Dennis,

The mortgage company is wanting a water well test and need report. Also need a pest inspection for them to have if you have any questions you can contact Ben CHOI he is with veterans united loan officer his number is 800-814-1103 ext.3303

This is all I need from you if you want you can give me a call Saturday and we can talk.

P.S. We had sleet here today weird Texas weather.

Thank you

Charles Johnston

817-798-0845



# AGENCY DISCLOSURE STATEMENT



The real estate agent who is providing you with this form is required to do so by Ohio law. You will not be bound to pay the agent or the agent's brokerage by merely signing this form. Instead, the purpose of this form is to confirm that you have been advised of the role of the agent(s) in the transaction proposed below. (For purposes of this form, the term "seller" includes a landlord and the term "buyer" includes a tenant.)

Property Address: 2042 Stumpville Rd Jefferson Oh 44047

Buyer(s): Charles w Johnston Susan L Johnston

Seller(s): Dennis Ruck Roberta A Peterson-Ruck

## I. TRANSACTION INVOLVING TWO AGENTS IN TWO DIFFERENT BROKERAGES

The buyer will be represented by \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_  
AGENT(S) BROKERAGE

The seller will be represented by \_\_\_\_\_, and \_\_\_\_\_  
AGENT(S) BROKERAGE

## II. TRANSACTION INVOLVING TWO AGENTS IN THE SAME BROKERAGE

If two agents in the real estate brokerage represent both the buyer and the seller, check the following relationship that will apply:

Agent(s) \_\_\_\_\_ work(s) for the buyer and Agent(s) \_\_\_\_\_ work(s) for the seller. Unless personally involved in the transaction, the broker and managers will be "dual agents", which is further explained on the back of this form. As dual agents they will maintain a neutral position in the transaction and they will protect all parties' confidential information.

Every agent in the brokerage represents every "client" of the brokerage. Therefore, agents and \_\_\_\_\_ will be working for both the buyer and seller as "dual agents". Dual agency is explained on the back of this form. As dual agents they will maintain a neutral position in the transaction and they will protect all parties' confidential information. Unless indicated below, neither the agent(s) nor the brokerage acting as a dual agent in this transaction has a personal, family or business relationship with either the buyer or seller. *If such a relationship does exist, explain:* \_\_\_\_\_

## III. TRANSACTION INVOLVING ONLY ONE REAL ESTATE AGENT

Agent(s) Denny Ruck and real estate brokerage BHHS PRO will

be "dual agents" representing both parties in this transaction in a neutral capacity. Dual agency is further explained on the back of this form. As dual agents they will maintain a neutral position in the transaction and they will protect all parties' confidential information. Unless indicated below, neither the agent(s) nor the brokerage acting as a dual agent in this transaction has a personal, family or business relationship with either the buyer or seller. *If such a relationship does exist, explain:* \_\_\_\_\_

represent only the (check one)  seller or  buyer in this transaction as a client. The other party is not represented and agrees to represent his/her own best interest. Any information provided the agent may be disclosed to the agent's client.

## CONSENT

I (we) consent to the above relationships as we enter into this real estate transaction. If there is a dual agency in this transaction, I (we) acknowledge reading the information regarding dual agency explained on the back of this form.

Charles Johnston 10/18/17  
BUYER/TENANT DATE  
Susan Johnston 10/18/17  
BUYER/TENANT DATE

Dennis Ruck 10/18/17  
SELLER/LANDLORD DATE  
Roberta Peterson-Ruck 10/18/17  
SELLER/LANDLORD DATE



STATE OF OHIO  
DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

2013

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE FORM

**Purpose of Disclosure Form:** This is a statement of certain conditions and information concerning the property actually known by the owner. An owner may or may not have lived at the property and unless the potential purchaser is informed in writing, the owner has no more information about the property than could be obtained by a careful inspection of the property by a potential purchaser. Unless the potential purchaser is otherwise informed, the owner has not conducted any inspection of generally inaccessible areas of the property. This form is required by Ohio Revised Code Section 5302.30.

THIS FORM IS NOT A WARRANTY OF ANY KIND BY THE OWNER OR BY ANY AGENT OR SUBAGENT REPRESENTING THE OWNER. THIS FORM IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY INSPECTIONS. **POTENTIAL PURCHASERS ARE ENCOURAGED TO OBTAIN THEIR OWN PROFESSIONAL INSPECTION(S).**

**Owner's Statement:** The statements contained in this form are made by the owner and are not the statements of the owner's agent or subagent. The statements contained in this form are provided by the owner only to potential purchasers in a transfer made by the owner. The statements are not for purchasers in any subsequent transfers. The information contained in this disclosure form does not limit the obligation of the owner to disclose an item of information that is required by any other statute or law to be disclosed in the transfer of residential real estate.

OWNER INSTRUCTIONS

**Instructions to Owner:** (1) Answer ALL questions. (2) Report known conditions affecting the property. (3) Attach additional pages with your signature if additional space is needed. (4) Complete this form yourself. (5) If some items do not apply to your property, write NA (not applicable). If the item to be disclosed is not within your actual knowledge, indicate Unknown.

Owner's Initials  Date 06/16/2017  
Owner's Initials  Date 06/16/2017  
06/15/17 2:35PM EDT

Purchaser's Initials  Date 10/18/17  
Purchaser's Initials  Date 10/18/17



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STATE OF OHIO DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

RESIDENTIAL PROPERTY DISCLOSURE FORM

Pursuant to section 5302.30 of the Revised Code and rule 1301:5-6-10 of the Administrative Code.

TO BE COMPLETED BY OWNER (Please Print)

Property Address: 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Owners Name(s): R. Ann Peterson Ruck

Date: 06/16/2017

Owner [X] is [ ] is not occupying the property. If owner is occupying the property, since what date: 1986

THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS OF THE OWNER ARE BASED ON OWNER'S ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE

A) WATER SUPPLY: The source of water supply to the property is (check appropriate boxes):

- Public Water Service, Private Water Service, Private Well, Shared Well, Holding Tank, Cistern, Spring, Pond, Unknown, Other

Do you know of any current leaks, backups or other material problems with the water supply system or quality of the water? [X] Yes

Is the quantity of water sufficient for your household use? (NOTE: water usage will vary from household to household) [ ] Yes [X] No

B) SEWER SYSTEM: The nature of the sanitary sewer system servicing the property is (check appropriate boxes):

- Public Sewer, Leach Field, Unknown, Private Sewer, Aeration Tank, Other, Septic Tank, Filtration Bed

Do you know of any previous or current leaks, backups or other material problems with the sewer system servicing the property? Yes [X] No [ ]

Information on the operation and maintenance of the type of sewage system serving the property is available from the department of health or the board of health of the health district in which the property is located.

C) ROOF: Do you know of any previous or current leaks or other material problems with the roof or rain gutters? [ ] Yes [X] No

D) WATER INTRUSION: Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space? [ ] Yes [X] No

Owner's Initials [Signature] Date [Blank]

Purchaser's Initials [Signature] Date 10/18/17

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding; moisture seepage; moisture condensation; ice damming; sewer overflow/backup; or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed: \_\_\_\_\_

Have you ever had the property inspected for mold by a qualified inspector?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate whether you have an inspection report and any remediation undertaken: \_\_\_\_\_

**Purchaser is advised that every home contains mold. Some people are more sensitive to mold than others. If concerned about this issue, purchaser is encouraged to have a mold inspection done by a qualified inspector.**

**E) STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FOUNDATION, BASEMENT/CRAWL SPACE, FLOORS, INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR WALLS):** Do you know of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks/settling (other than visible minor cracks or blemishes) or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or interior/exterior walls?  
 Yes  No If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, alterations or modifications to control the cause or effect of any problem identified (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any previous or current fire or smoke damage to the property?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed: \_\_\_\_\_

**F) WOOD DESTROYING INSECTS/TERMITES:** Do you know of any previous/current presence of any wood destroying insects/termites in or on the property or any existing damage to the property caused by wood destroying insects/termites?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any inspection or treatment (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**G) MECHANICAL SYSTEMS:** Do you know of any previous or current problems or defects with the following existing mechanical systems? If your property does not have the mechanical system, mark N/A (Not Applicable).

	YES	NO	N/A		YES	NO	N/A
1) Electrical	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	8) Water softener	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Plumbing (pipes)	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Is water softener leased?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Central heating	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	9) Security System	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Central Air conditioning	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	a. Is security system leased?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5) Sump pump	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	10) Central vacuum	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6) Fireplace/chimney	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	11) Built in appliances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7) Lawn sprinkler	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	12) Other mechanical systems	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs to the mechanical system (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**H) PRESENCE OF HAZARDOUS MATERIALS:** Do you know of the previous or current presence of any of the below identified hazardous materials on the property?

	Yes	No	Unknown
1) Lead-Based Paint	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2) Asbestos	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3) Urea-Formaldehyde Foam Insulation	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4) Radon Gas	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
a. If "Yes", indicate level of gas if known			
5) Other toxic or hazardous substances	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, remediation or mitigation to the property: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner's Initials RPR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Initials DR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
06/15/17 2:35PM EDT

Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17  
Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

**I) UNDERGROUND STORAGE TANKS/WELLS:** Do you know of any underground storage tanks (existing or removed), oil or natural gas wells (plugged or unplugged), or abandoned water wells on the property?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any oil, gas, or other mineral right leases on the property?  Yes  No

Purchaser should exercise whatever due diligence purchaser deems necessary with respect to oil, gas, and other mineral rights. Information may be obtained from records contained within the recorder's office in the county where the property is located.

**J) FLOOD PLAIN/LAKE ERIE COASTAL EROSION AREA:**

Is the property located in a designated flood plain?  Yes  No

Is the property or any portion of the property included in a Lake Erie Coastal Erosion Area?  Yes  No  Unknown

**K) DRAINAGE/EROSION:** Do you know of any previous or current flooding, drainage, settling or grading or erosion problems affecting the property?  Yes  No

If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, modifications or alterations to the property or other attempts to control any problems (but not longer than the past 5 years): \_\_\_\_\_

**L) ZONING/CODE VIOLATIONS/ASSESSMENTS/HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION:** Do you know of any violations of building or housing codes, zoning ordinances affecting the property or any nonconforming uses of the property?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Is the structure on the property designated by any governmental authority as a historic building or as being located in an historic district? (NOTE: such designation may limit changes or improvements that may be made to the property).  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any recent or proposed assessments, fees or abatements, which could affect the property?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

List any assessments paid in full (date/amount) \_\_\_\_\_ monthly fee \_\_\_\_\_ Length of payment (years \_\_\_\_\_ months \_\_\_\_\_)  
List any current assessments: \_\_\_\_\_

Do you know of any recent or proposed rules or regulations of, or the payment of any fees or charges associated with this property, including but not limited to a Community Association, SID, CID, LID, etc.  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe (amount): \_\_\_\_\_

**M) BOUNDARY LINES/ENCROACHMENTS/SHARED DRIVEWAY/PARTY WALLS:** Do you know of any of the following conditions affecting the property? Yes No

- 1) Boundary Agreement  Yes  No
- 2) Boundary Dispute  Yes  No
- 3) Recent Boundary Change  Yes  No

- 4) Shared Driveway  Yes  No
- 5) Party Walls  Yes  No
- 6) Encroachments From or on Adjacent Property  Yes  No

If the answer to any of the above questions is "Yes", please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

**N) OTHER KNOWN MATERIAL DEFECTS:** The following are other known material defects in or on the property: \_\_\_\_\_

BARN ROOF MAY HAVE LEAKS HEAVY RAIN FILL OK  
For purposes of this section, material defects would include any non-observable physical condition existing on the property that could be dangerous to anyone occupying the property or any non-observable physical condition that could inhibit a person's use of the property.

Owner's Initials DR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Initials DR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
06/15/17 2:35PM EDT

Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17  
Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

### CERTIFICATION OF OWNER

Owner certifies that the statements contained in this form are made in good faith and based on his/her actual knowledge as of the date signed by the Owner. Owner is advised that the information contained in this disclosure form does not limit the obligation of the owner to disclose an item of information that is required by any other statute or law or that may exist to preclude fraud, either by misrepresentation, concealment or nondisclosure in a transaction involving the transfer of residential real estate.

OWNER:	<i>RAnn Peterson Ruck</i>	<small>dotloop verified 06/19/17 10:36AM EDT MTKB-UICZ-PMUE-L2YA</small>
OWNER:	<i>Denny Ruck</i>	<small>dotloop verified 06/19/17 2:35PM EDT WNGA-U2MK-VN9Q-FBWW</small>

### RECEIPT AND ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF POTENTIAL PURCHASERS

Potential purchasers are advised that the owner has no obligation to update this form but may do so according to Revised Code Section 5302.30(G). Pursuant to Ohio Revised Code Section 5302.30(K), if this form is not provided to you prior to the time you enter into a purchase contract for the property, you may rescind the purchase contract by delivering a signed and dated document of rescission to Owner or Owner's agent, provided the document of rescission is delivered prior to all three of the following dates: 1) the date of closing; 2) 30 days after the Owner accepted your offer; and 3) within 3 business days following your receipt or your agent's receipt of this form or an amendment of this form.

Owner makes no representations with respect to any offsite conditions. Purchaser should exercise whatever due diligence purchaser deems necessary with respect to offsite issues that may affect purchaser's decision to purchase the property.

Purchaser should exercise whatever due diligence purchaser deems necessary with respect to Ohio's Sex Offender Registration and Notification Law (commonly referred to as "Megan's Law"). This law requires the local Sheriff to provide written notice to neighbors if a sex offender resides or intends to reside in the area. The notice provided by the Sheriff is a public record and is open to inspection under Ohio's Public Records Law. If concerned about this issue, purchaser assumes responsibility to obtain information from the Sheriff's office regarding the notices they have provided pursuant to Megan's Law.

Purchaser should exercise whatever due diligence purchaser deems necessary with respect to abandoned underground mines. If concerned about this issue, purchaser assumes responsibility to obtain information from the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. The Department maintains an online map of known abandoned underground mines on their website at [www.dnr.state.oh.us](http://www.dnr.state.oh.us).

I/WE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THIS DISCLOSURE FORM AND UNDERSTAND THAT THE STATEMENTS ARE MADE BASED ON THE OWNERS ACTUAL KNOWLEDGE AS OF THE DATE SIGNED BY THE OWNER.

My/Our Signature below does not constitute approval of any disclosed condition as represented herein by the owner.

PURCHASER:	<i>Charles Johnston</i>	<i>10/18/17</i>
PURCHASER:	<i>Susan Johnston</i>	<i>10/18/17</i>



Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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## Johnston Case Scott look at the disclosure form the dates Dennis and Ann Signed are in June 2017?

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 11:04 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** michael.banister@com.state.oh.us <michael.banister@com.state.oh.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 19, 2020, 11:17:10 AM EDT  
**Subject:** Johnston Case

Mr. Bannister,

It was a pleasure speaking with you this morning attached is the paperwork that you requested. Let us know when you get it please.

Sincerely, Charles and Susan Johnston

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9/30/21, 11:29 AM

LYNCH & LYNCH CO LPA Mail - Written Letter of complaint Johnston



Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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## Written Letter of complaint Johnston

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:57 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** ACBR2014@aol.com <acbr2014@aol.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, April 8, 2019, 01:34:16 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Written Letter of complaint Johnston

Attached is the letter of written statement against realtor Dennis N Ruck at Berkshire Hathaway in Jefferson ohio.

Thanks Charles Johnston

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Scott Lynch <[scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com](mailto:scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com)>

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**Fw: Johnston, Case**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:51 PM

**Charles Johnston** <[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)>  
To: Scott Lynch <[scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com](mailto:scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com)>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)>  
**To:** [michael.banister@com.state.oh.us](mailto:michael.banister@com.state.oh.us) <[michael.banister@com.state.oh.us](mailto:michael.banister@com.state.oh.us)>  
**Sent:** Friday, November 16, 2018, 11:31:04 AM EST  
**Subject:** Johnston, Case

Here is the second letter from the neighbor next door. Let me know when you get this thanks.

Charles Johnston

817-798-0845

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Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Complaint #2018-547**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:51 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** michael.banister@com.state.oh.us <michael.banister@com.state.oh.us>  
**Sent:** Thursday, November 8, 2018, 12:01:35 PM EST  
**Subject:** Re: Complaint #2018-547

Attached is one letter from a neighbor, that also bought property from Dennis Ruck.

On Thursday, November 1, 2018, 12:32:41 PM EDT, michael.banister@com.state.oh.us <michael.banister@com.state.oh.us> wrote:

Good afternoon Mr. and Mrs. Johnston,

Per your request, I am sending this e-mail so you will have my e-mail address, but you should already have it. After reviewing the case folder of your complaint, I see that I previously e-mailed you 09/17/18 and 09/20/18 regarding mediation. As we discussed on the telephone, please have any witness statements signed by the witness with their contact telephone number included. Feel free to contact me whenever you have questions or concerns. Prior to concluding my investigation, I will contact you to conduct a phone interview at which time we will discuss your complaint against Respondent Ruck in detail. Thank you.

Sincerely,



**Department  
of Commerce**

Michael D. Banister  
Investigator  
Ohio Department of Commerce  
Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing  
77 S. High St, 20<sup>th</sup> Fl, Columbus, OH 43215-6133

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✉ michael.banister@com.state.oh.us





Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Mediation 2018-547**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:49 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, October 9, 2018, 06:25:38 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Re: Mediation 2018-547

I have a question for you Kelly. If I get letters from the neighbors about Dennis, would that help about his character and how he treated his neighbors? We just met 3 more neighbors and they voluntarily told my wife and I how bad he was. Do I need to get notarized letter from each of them to have for mediation? I went to the court house today to verify what the neighbors were talking about on. How he took advantage of a dying man and got the property way under the price he got it for. Please let me know so I can get the information from neighbors.

Thank you:

Charles Johnston

On Friday, September 28, 2018, 11:15:49 PM EDT, Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com> wrote:

Attached is the signed form. Thank You

Charles Johnston

On Friday, September 28, 2018, 4:08:55 PM EDT, Kelly.Neer@com.state.oh.us <Kelly.Neer@com.state.oh.us> wrote:

Mr. & Mrs. Johnston,

Attached please find the Notice of Informal Mediation and the Agreement to Mediate. Please sign the Agreement to Mediate and return it to me prior to the start of the mediation. Also, please let me know what phone number to use to reach you on the day of the mediation. Please feel free to contact me if you have questions.

Sincerely,



**Department  
of Commerce**

Kelly Joseph Neer  
Registration and Resolution Section –External Auditor  
Ohio Department of Commerce  
Ohio Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing



Additional Broker Commission/ Processing / Admin Fee(Seller)

Other

**Government Recording & Transfer Charges**

\$ 228.00

Recording (estimate)

Conveyance Fees

\$ 1,136.50

**Payoff(s)**

1st Payoff to (lender)

2nd Payoff to (lender)

**Miscellaneous**

Pest Inspection Fee to

Survey Fee to

Homeowner's Insurance Premium to

Home Inspection Fee to

Home Warranty Fee to

HOA Dues to

Transfer Fee to Management Co. to

Special Hazard Disclosure to

[Utility] Payment to

Assessments to

School Taxes to

City Taxes to

County Taxes to

Buyer Attorney Fee to

Seller Attorney Fee to

to:

Seller		Description	Buyer	
Debit	Credit		Debit	Credit
\$ 4,962.66	\$ 284,000.00		\$ 286,063.75	\$ 286,305.41
		<b>Subtotals</b>		\$ -241.66
		Due From Buyer/Borrower		
		Due To Seller	\$ 286,063.75	\$ 286,063.75
\$ 279,037.34				
\$ 284,000.00	\$ 284,000.00	<b>Totals</b>		

Application Fee  
 Origination Fee  
 Underwriting Fee  
 Mortgage Insurance Premium  
 Prepaid Interest

**Other Charges**

Appraisal Fee to  
 Credit Report Fee to  
 Flood Determination Fee to  
 Flood Monitoring Fee to  
 Tax Monitoring Fee to  
 Tax Status Research Fee to

**Impounds**

Homeowner's Insurance # of months @ per month:  
 Mortgage Insurance # of months @ per month:  
 City/Town Taxes # of months @ per month:  
 County Taxes # of months @ per month:  
 School Taxes # of months @ per month:  
 Aggregate Adjustment

**Title Charges & Escrow / Settlement Charges**

\$ 380.00	Closing Fee	\$ 380.00
\$ 715.75	Owner's Title Insurance	\$ 715.75
	Lender's Title Insurance	\$ 100.00
\$ 300.00	Title Examination	
	Title Commitment	\$ 100.00
	Electronic Delivery Fee	\$ 50.00
\$ 50.00	Transfer Service Fee	
	Special tax search	\$ 50.00
	Insured Closing Premium	\$ 35.00
\$ 75.00	Deed Preparation	
	Location Survey	\$ 145.00
	Overnight Delivery/Courier	\$ 35.00
	Endorsement: Endorsements (9.0 + 8.1 + Survey)	\$ 225.00

**Commission**

Real Estate Commission to  
 Real Estate Commission to  
 Additional Broker Commission/ Processing / Admin Fee(Buyer)

**Acknowledgment**

We/I have carefully reviewed the ALTA Settlement Statement and find it to be a true and accurate statement of all receipts and disbursements made on my account or by me in this transaction and further certify that I have received a copy of the ALTA Settlement Statement. We/I authorize Chicago Title Agency of Northeast Ohio, Inc. to cause the funds to be disbursed in accordance with this statement.

Buyer

Buyer

Seller

Seller

Escrow Officer



# Chicago Title Insurance Company

*Transaction Identification Data for reference only:*

Issuing Agent: Venture Land Title Agency, LLC  
 Issuing Office: 34 S. Chestnut Street, Suite 500, Jefferson, OH 44047  
 ALTA® Universal ID:  
 Loan ID Number:  
 Commitment Number: V177622  
 Issuing Office File Number: V177622  
 Property Address: 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

## SCHEDULE A

1. Commitment Date: October 31, 2017 at 07:59 AM
2. Policy to be issued:
  - (a) Proposed Insured: ALTA Own. Policy (06/17/2006)  
Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston  
Proposed Policy Amount: \$ 293,000.00
  - (b) Proposed Insured: ALTA Loan Policy (06/17/2006)  
Mortgage Research Center, LLC  
dba Veterans United Home Loans, ISAO/ATIMA  
Proposed Policy Amount: \$ 293,000.00
3. The estate or interest in the Land described or referred to in this Commitment is Fee Simple.
4. Title to the estate or interest in the Land is at the Commitment Date vested in:  
Dennis N. Ruck and Roberta Ann Peterson-Ruck aka Roberta Ann Ruck, as vested in the Joint and Survivorship Deed as recorded on January 13, 2017 in Book 628, Page 1557 and Executor's Deed as recorded March 14, 1986 in Volume 32, Page 6933 of Ashtabula County Records.
5. The Land is described as follows:  
SEE EXHIBIT A ATTACHED HERETO

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### SCHEDULE B, PART I Requirements

All of the following Requirements must be met:

1. The Proposed Insured must notify the Company in writing of the name of any party not referred to in this Commitment who will obtain an interest in the Land or who will make a loan on the Land. The Company may then make additional Requirements or Exceptions.
2. Pay the agreed amount for the estate or interest to be insured.
3. Pay the premiums, fees, and charges for the Policy to the Company.
4. Documents satisfactory to the Company that convey the Title or create the Mortgage to be insured, or both, must be properly authorized, executed, delivered, and recorded in the Public Records.
  - a. Deed from Dennis N. Ruck and Roberta Ann Peterson-Ruck to Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston
  - b. Mortgage from Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston to Mortgage Research Center, LLC dba Veterans United Home Loans, ISAOA/ATIMA, securing the principal amount of \$293,000.00
5. You must tell us in writing the name of anyone not referred to in this Commitment who will get an interest in the land or who will make a loan on the land. We may then make additional requirements or exceptions.
6. Release of Mortgages and/or Liens in Schedule B, Section II if any.
7. A "Statement of Conveyance of Current Agricultural Use Valuation Property" Form DTE100 (signed by the Grantor) must accompany the sale deed when presented to the County Auditor for Transfer.
8. We will require that the full survey required by the Ashtabula County Engineer be completed before transfer of said real estate

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SCHEDULE B, PART II  
Exceptions

THIS COMMITMENT DOES NOT REPUBLISH ANY COVENANT, CONDITION, RESTRICTION, OR LIMITATION CONTAINED IN ANY DOCUMENT REFERRED TO IN THIS COMMITMENT TO THE EXTENT THAT THE SPECIFIC COVENANT, CONDITION, RESTRICTION, OR LIMITATION VIOLATES STATE OR FEDERAL LAW BASED ON RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, GENDER IDENTITY, HANDICAP, FAMILIAL STATUS, OR NATIONAL ORIGIN.

The Policy will not insure against loss or damage resulting from the terms and provisions of any lease or easement identified in Schedule A, and will include the following Exceptions unless cleared to the satisfaction of the Company:

1. Any defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter that appears for the first time in the Public Records or is created, attaches, or is disclosed between the Commitment Date and the date on which all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements are met.
2. Any prior reservation or conveyance, together with release of damages of minerals of every kind and character, including, but not limited to, oil, gas, sand and gravel in, on and under subject property.
3. Any encroachment, encumbrance, violation, variation, or adverse circumstance affecting the Title that would be disclosed by an accurate and complete land survey of the land.
4. Easement, or claims of easements, not shown by the public records.
5. Any lien, or right to a lien, for services, labor, or material heretofore or hereafter furnished, imposed by law and not shown by the public records.
6. Taxes or special assessments which are not shown as existing liens by public records. Taxes or assessments for street improvements under construction or completed at Date of Policy which are a lien but not yet due and payable.
7. Any encroachment, encumbrance, violation, variation, or adverse circumstance affecting the Title that would be disclosed by an accurate and complete land survey of the Land. The term "encroachment" includes encroachments of existing improvements located on the Land onto adjoining land, and encroachments onto the Land of existing improvements located on adjoining land.
8. No liability is assumed for tax increases occasioned by retroactive revaluation change in land usage, or loss of any homestead exemption status for insured premises.
9. Any covenant, condition or restriction referred to herein indicating a preference, limitation or discrimination based on race, color, religion, sex, handicap, familial status or national origin is omitted as provided in 42 U.S.C. Section 3604, unless and only to the extent that the restriction (a) is not in violation of state or federal law, (b) is exempt under 42 U.S.C. Section 3607, or (c) related to handicap, but does not discriminate against handicapped people.
10. Covenants, conditions and restrictions and other instruments recorded in the public records and purporting to impose a transfer fee or conveyance fee payable upon the conveyance of a interest in real property or payable for the right to make or accept such a transfer, and any and all fees, liens or charges, whether recorded or unrecorded, if any, currently due payable or that will become due or payable, and any other rights deriving therefrom, that are assessed pursuant thereto.
11. Coal, oil, natural gas, or other mineral interests and all rights incident thereto now or previously conveyed, transferred, leased, excepted or reserved.
12. Oil and gas leases, pipeline agreements or any other instruments related to the production or sale of oil and gas which

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may arise subsequent to the date of the Policy.

13. Any lease, grant, exception or reservation of minerals or mineral rights together with any rights appurtenant thereto
14. Title to that portion of the insured premises within the bounds of any legal highways
15. Any inaccuracy in the specific quantity of acreage or square footage of land contained on any survey, if any, or contained within the legal description of premises insured herein.
16. Taxes and assessments for the first half year 2016 which are due February 2017 for Parcel No. 290070001200 are paid in the amount of \$1,162.26. Taxes and assessments for the second half year 2016 which are due July 2017 for Parcel No. 290070001200 are paid in the amount of \$1,162.26.

The half year tax amount includes the following assessments:

- 1) Emergency Telephone Assessment in the amount of \$2.25 per half year.

Subject to Special Taxes and Assessments of any kind, if any.  
Taxes for the Year 2017 are a lien, but not yet due or payable.

17. Oil and Gas Lease to Sun Oil Company, filed for record March 3, 1964 in Volume 64, Page 283 of Ashtabula County Records.
18. Declaration of Unitization and Consolidation for a Drilling Unit by Quaker State Oil and Refining Corporation, filed for record June 30, 1970 in Volume 79, Page 385 and re-recorded December 30, 1970 in Volume 80, Page 821 of Ashtabula County Records.  
  
-And any amendments thereto.
19. Pipe Line Right of Way Grant to The East Ohio Gas Company, filed for record January 26, 1970 in Volume 688, Page 595 of Ashtabula County Records.
20. Gas Well Easement and Right to Use free Gas as contained in the Executor's Deed under a Will from Ralph Curie, Executor of Marie M. Corkrean, deceased to Dennis N. Ruck and Roberta Ann Ruck, filed for record March 14, 1986 in Volume 32, Page 6933 of Ashtabula County Records.
21. NOTE: The above Leases, Easements, and Right of Ways are subject to various assignments and conditions of record. We have made no examination as to the above leases, easements, or right of ways.
22. Open-End Mortgage from Dennis N. Ruck and R Ann Peterson Ruck aka Roberta Ann Ruck, husband and wife, to Andover Bank in the amount of \$154,000.00, filed for record May 22, 2008 in OR Book 434, Page 881 of Ashtabula County Records.
23. Open-End Mortgage from Dennis N. Ruck and Roberta Ann Ruck aka R. Ann Peterson-Ruck, husband and wife, to The Andover Bank in the amount of \$175,000.00, filed for record May 17, 2011 in Book 495, Page 1369 and re-recorded on May 19, 2011 in Book 495, Page 1655 of Ashtabula County Records.
24. Note: Subject to the right of the County of Ashtabula as to tax recoupment pursuant to Ohio Revised Code 5713.34, regarding conversion of subject premises to a use other than agricultural.
25. The Ashtabula County Engineers Office has required a full survey by a registered surveyor of the premises described herein before transfer of said real estate will be approved.
26. Rights of the public generally in and to the use of that portion of subject property used for roadway purposes.

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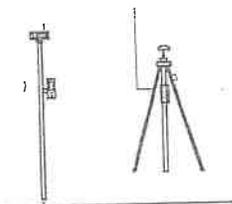
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### EXHIBIT A PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

The land referred to in this Commitment is described as follows:

NEW SURVEY REQUIRED.

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DECEMBER 7, 2017

LANDS OF DENNIS N. & ROBERTA ANN PETERSON-RUCK, AS RECORDED IN MICROFICHE  
628-1557:

SITUATED IN LOT 2, LENOX TOWNSHIP, R3, T10, CONNECTICUT WESTERN RESERVE,  
ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF STUMPVILLE ROAD (TR 185, SECTION E, 60  
FEET WIDE) WHERE IT INTERSECTS THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 19, SAID POINT BEING  
NORTH 01 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, 3198.62 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE  
OF FOOTVILLE-RICHMOND ROAD (CR 12 L-M, 60 FEET WIDE):

COURSE 1: THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 26 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE  
CENTERLINE OF STUMPVILLE ROAD, 584.92 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF JOHN  
W. & DOROTHY M. CORKREAN (32-4184);

COURSE 2: THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF CORKREAN, 30.39 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND AND THENCE ON THE  
SAME COURSE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF CORKREAN, 48.17 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN  
FOUND;

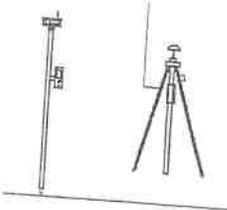
COURSE 3: THENCE SOUTH 02 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST, 59.08 FEET TO A  
5/8" IRON PIN FOUND;

COURSE 4: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN AND THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN (176-1645),  
1135.16 FEET TO A 5/8" CAPPED IRON PIN SET IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID CORKREAN (437-  
2330);

COURSE 5: THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST  
LINE OF SAID CORKREAN, 40.18 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND;

COURSE 6: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN, 1222.07 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON FOUND IN THE WEST LINE  
OF LOT 3 AND IN THE WEST LINE OF VINCENT E. & MICHELLE A. CHARLES (63-337);

COURSE 7: THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST  
LINE OF LOT 3 AND THE WEST LINE OF CHARLES, 280.60 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND  
AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ROBERT S. ST. JOHN (75-9269);



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COURSE 8: THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF ST. JOHN AND THE WEST LINE OF LOT 3, 200.05 TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 19 AND THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SPRINGER DAIRY FARM (446-178);

COURSE 9: THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SPRINGER DAIRY FARMS AND THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 19 (PASSING THROUGH A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND IN CONCRETE, 32.59 FEET FROM CENTERLINE) A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2436.80 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 28.277 ACRES

BEARINGS ARE TO AN ASSUMED MERIDIAN AND INDICATE ANGLES ONLY  
AS PER SURVEY BY JERRY SLAY, OHIO SURVEYOR NUMBER 5298 DATED DECEMBER 7, 2017

INTENT IS TO UPDATE PPN 29-007-00-012-00  
THE CAPPED IRON PIN SET STAMPED "SLAY 5298" IS 5/8" X 30"



*Jerry Slay*  
12-20-17

ASHTABULA CO. ENGINEER  
**APPROVED**  
12-20-17 M.S.  
SURVEY DEPT.



# Chicago Title Insurance Company

## COMMITMENT FOR TITLE INSURANCE ISSUED BY CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

### NOTICE

**IMPORTANT-READ CAREFULLY:** THIS COMMITMENT IS AN OFFER TO ISSUE ONE OR MORE TITLE INSURANCE POLICIES. ALL CLAIMS OR REMEDIES SOUGHT AGAINST THE COMPANY INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT OR THE POLICY MUST BE BASED SOLELY IN CONTRACT.

THIS COMMITMENT IS NOT AN ABSTRACT OF TITLE, REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF TITLE, LEGAL OPINION, OPINION OF TITLE, OR OTHER REPRESENTATION OF THE STATUS OF TITLE. THE PROCEDURES USED BY THE COMPANY TO DETERMINE INSURABILITY OF THE TITLE, INCLUDING ANY SEARCH AND EXAMINATION, ARE PROPRIETARY TO THE COMPANY, WERE PERFORMED SOLELY FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE COMPANY, AND CREATE NO EXTRA CONTRACTUAL LIABILITY TO ANY PERSON, INCLUDING A PROPOSED INSURED.

THE COMPANY'S OBLIGATION UNDER THIS COMMITMENT IS TO ISSUE A POLICY TO A PROPOSED INSURED IDENTIFIED IN SCHEDULE A IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TERMS AND PROVISIONS OF THIS COMMITMENT. THE COMPANY HAS NO LIABILITY OR OBLIGATION INVOLVING THE CONTENT OF THIS COMMITMENT TO ANY OTHER PERSON.

### COMMITMENT TO ISSUE POLICY

Subject to the Notice; Schedule B, Part I-Requirements; Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; and the Commitment Conditions, Chicago Title Insurance Company, a IL Corporation (the "Company"), commits to issue the Policy according to the terms and provisions of this Commitment. This Commitment is effective as of the Commitment Date shown in Schedule A for each Policy described in Schedule A, only when the Company has entered in Schedule A both the specified dollar amount as the Proposed Policy Amount and the name of the Proposed Insured.

If all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have not been met within 180 Days after the Commitment Date, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.

CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

By:

President

ATTEST

Secretary

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CHICAGO TITLE INSURANCE COMPANY

Venture Land Title Agency, LLC

By: \_\_\_\_\_

Venture Land Title Agency, LLC

Signatory License No.: 610288

Title Agency License No.: 35316

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### COMMITMENT CONDITIONS

#### 1. DEFINITIONS

- (a) "Knowledge" or "Known": Actual or imputed knowledge, but not constructive notice imparted by the Public Records.
- (b) "Land": The land described in Schedule A and affixed improvements that by law constitute real property. The term "Land" does not include any property beyond the lines of the area described in Schedule A, nor any right, title, interest, estate, or easement in abutting streets, roads, avenues, alleys, lanes, ways, or waterways, but this does not modify or limit the extent that a right of access to and from the Land is to be insured by the Policy.
- (c) "Mortgage": A mortgage, deed of trust, or other security instrument, including one evidenced by electronic means authorized by law.
- (d) "Policy": Each contract of title insurance, in a form adopted by the American Land Title Association, issued or to be issued by the Company pursuant to this Commitment.
- (e) "Proposed Insured": Each person identified in Schedule A as the Proposed Insured of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- (f) "Proposed Policy Amount": Each dollar amount specified in Schedule A as the Proposed Policy Amount of each Policy to be issued pursuant to this Commitment.
- (g) "Public Records": Records established under state statutes at the Commitment Date for the purpose of imparting constructive notice of matters relating to real property to purchasers for value and without Knowledge.
- (h) "Title": The estate or interest described in Schedule A.

2. If all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have not been met within the time period specified in the Commitment to Issue Policy, this Commitment terminates and the Company's liability and obligation end.

3. The Company's liability and obligation is limited by and this Commitment is not valid without

- (a) the Notice;
- (b) the Commitment to Issue Policy;
- (c) the Commitment Conditions;
- (d) Schedule A;
- (e) Schedule B, Part I-Requirements; and
- (f) Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; and
- (g) a counter-signature by the Company or its issuing agent that may be in electronic form.

#### 4. COMPANY'S RIGHT TO AMEND

The Company may amend this Commitment at any time. If the Company amends this Commitment to add a defect, lien, encumbrance, adverse claim, or other matter recorded in the Public Records prior to the Commitment Date, any liability of the Company is limited by Commitment Condition 5. The Company shall not be liable for any other amendment to this Commitment

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### 5. LIMITATIONS OF LIABILITY

- (a) The Company's liability under Commitment Condition 4 is limited to the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in the interval between the Company's delivery to the Proposed Insured of the Commitment and the delivery of the amended Commitment, resulting from the Proposed Insured's good faith reliance to:
  - (i) comply with the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements;
  - (ii) eliminate, with the Company's written consent, any Schedule B, Part II-Exceptions; or
  - (iii) acquire the Title or create the Mortgage covered by this Commitment
- (b) The Company shall not be liable under Commitment Condition 5(a) if the Proposed Insured requested the amendment or had Knowledge of the matter and did not notify the Company about it in writing.
- (c) The Company will only have liability under Commitment Condition 4 if the Proposed Insured would not have incurred the expense had the Commitment included the added matter when the Commitment was first delivered to the Proposed Insured.
- (d) The Company's liability shall not exceed the lesser of the Proposed Insured's actual expense incurred in good faith and described in Commitment Conditions 5(a)(i) through 5(a)(iii) or the Proposed Policy Amount.
- (e) The Company shall not be liable for the content of the Transaction Identification Data, if any.
- (f) In no event shall the Company be obligated to issue the Policy referred to in this Commitment unless all of the Schedule B, Part I-Requirements have been met to the satisfaction of the Company.
- (g) In any event, the Company's liability is limited by the terms and provisions of the Policy.

### 6. LIABILITY OF THE COMPANY MUST BE BASED ON THIS COMMITMENT

- (a) Only a Proposed Insured identified in Schedule A, and no other person, may make a claim under this Commitment
- (b) Any claim must be based in contract and must be restricted solely to the terms and provisions of this Commitment
- (c) Until the Policy is issued, this Commitment, as last revised, is the exclusive and entire agreement between the parties with respect to the subject matter of this Commitment and supersedes all prior commitment negotiations, representations, and proposals of any kind, whether written or oral, express or implied, relating to the subject matter of this Commitment
- (d) The deletion or modification of any Schedule B, Part II-Exception does not constitute an agreement or obligation to provide coverage beyond the terms and provisions of this Commitment or the Policy.
- (e) Any amendment or endorsement to this Commitment must be in writing and authenticated by a person authorized by the Company.
- (f) When the Policy is issued, all liability and obligation under this Commitment will end and the Company's only liability will be under the Policy.

### 7. IF THIS COMMITMENT HAS BEEN ISSUED BY AN ISSUING AGENT

The issuing agent is the Company's agent only for the limited purpose of issuing title insurance commitments and policies. The issuing agent is not the Company's agent for the purpose of providing closing or settlement services.

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### 8. PRO-FORMA POLICY

The Company may provide, at the request of a Proposed Insured, a pro-forma policy illustrating the coverage that the Company may provide. A pro-forma policy neither reflects the status of Title at the time that the pro-forma policy is delivered to a Proposed Insured, nor is it a commitment to insure.

### 9. ARBITRATION

The Policy contains an arbitration clause. All arbitrable matters when the Proposed Policy Amount is \$2,000,000 or less shall be arbitrated at the option of either the Company or the Proposed Insured as the exclusive remedy of the parties. A Proposed Insured may review a copy of the arbitration rules at <http://www.alta.org/arbitration>.

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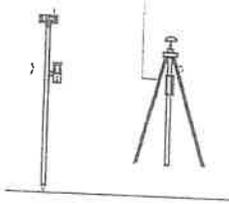
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335 CENTER STREET  
ASHTABULA, OH 44004

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REGISTERED LAND SURVEYOR  
REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER

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DECEMBER 7, 2017

LANDS OF DENNIS N. & ROBERTA ANN PETERSON-RUCK, AS RECORDED IN MICROFICHE  
628-1557:

SITUATED IN LOT 2, LENOX TOWNSHIP, R3, T10, CONNECTICUT WESTERN RESERVE,  
ASHTABULA COUNTY, OHIO:

BEGINNING AT A POINT IN THE CENTERLINE OF STUMPVILLE ROAD (TR 185, SECTION E, 60  
FEET WIDE) WHERE IT INTERSECTS THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 19, SAID POINT BEING  
NORTH 01 DEGREES 14 MINUTES 44 SECONDS WEST, 3198.62 FEET FROM THE CENTERLINE  
OF FOOTVILLE-RICHMOND ROAD (CR 12 L-M, 60 FEET WIDE):

COURSE 1: THENCE NORTH 00 DEGREES 53 MINUTES 26 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE  
CENTERLINE OF STUMPVILLE ROAD, 584.92 FEET TO THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF JOHN  
W. & DOROTHY M. CORKREAN (32-4184);

COURSE 2: THENCE NORTH 88 DEGREES 51 MINUTES 55 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF CORKREAN, 30.39 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND AND THENCE ON THE  
SAME COURSE ALONG THE SOUTH LINE OF CORKREAN, 48.17 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN  
FOUND;

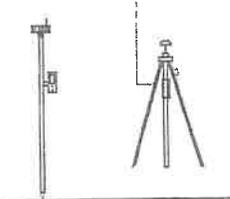
COURSE 3: THENCE SOUTH 02 DEGREES 31 MINUTES 21 SECONDS EAST, 59.08 FEET TO A  
5/8" IRON PIN FOUND;

COURSE 4: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 37 MINUTES 54 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN AND THE SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN (176-1645),  
1135.16 FEET TO A 5/8" CAPPED IRON PIN SET IN THE WEST LINE OF SAID CORKREAN (437-  
2330);

COURSE 5: THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 52 MINUTES 41 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST  
LINE OF SAID CORKREAN, 40.18 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND;

COURSE 6: THENCE NORTH 89 DEGREES 32 MINUTES 14 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE  
SOUTH LINE OF SAID CORKREAN, 1222.07 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON FOUND IN THE WEST LINE  
OF LOT 3 AND IN THE WEST LINE OF VINCENT E. & MICHELLE A. CHARLES (63-337);

COURSE 7: THENCE SOUTH 01 DEGREES 11 MINUTES 31 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST  
LINE OF LOT 3 AND THE WEST LINE OF CHARLES, 280.60 FEET TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND  
AT THE NORTHWEST CORNER OF ROBERT S. ST. JOHN (75-9269);



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COURSE 8: THENCE SOUTH 00 DEGREES 05 MINUTES 12 SECONDS EAST ALONG THE WEST LINE OF ST. JOHN AND THE WEST LINE OF LOT 3, 200.05 TO A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND AT THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF LOT 19 AND THE NORTHEAST CORNER OF SPRINGER DAIRY FARM (446-178);

COURSE 9: THENCE SOUTH 89 DEGREES 26 MINUTES 25 SECONDS WEST ALONG THE NORTH LINE OF SPRINGER DAIRY FARMS AND THE NORTH LINE OF LOT 19 (PASSING THROUGH A 5/8" IRON PIN FOUND IN CONCRETE, 32.59 FEET FROM CENTERLINE) A TOTAL DISTANCE OF 2436.80 FEET TO THE PLACE OF BEGINNING AND CONTAINING 28.277 ACRES

BEARINGS ARE TO AN ASSUMED MERIDIAN AND INDICATE ANGLES ONLY AS PER SURVEY BY JERRY SLAY, OHIO SURVEYOR NUMBER 5298 DATED DECEMBER 7, 2017

INTENT IS TO UPDATE PPN 29-007-00-012-00  
THE CAPPED IRON PIN SET STAMPED "SLAY 5298" IS 5/8" X 30"



*Jerry Slay*  
12-20-17

ASHTABULA CO. ENGINEER

**A** 12-20-17 mos **D**  
SURVEY DEPT.

ASHTABULA COUNTY  
DESCRIPTION  
APPROVED FOR  
CONVEYANCE

DATE: 12-21-17  
DAH  
AUDITOR

9/30/21, 11:22 AM

LYNCH & LYNCH CO LPA Mail - Fw: More photos of basement



Scott Lynch <[scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com](mailto:scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com)>

**Fw: More photos of basement**

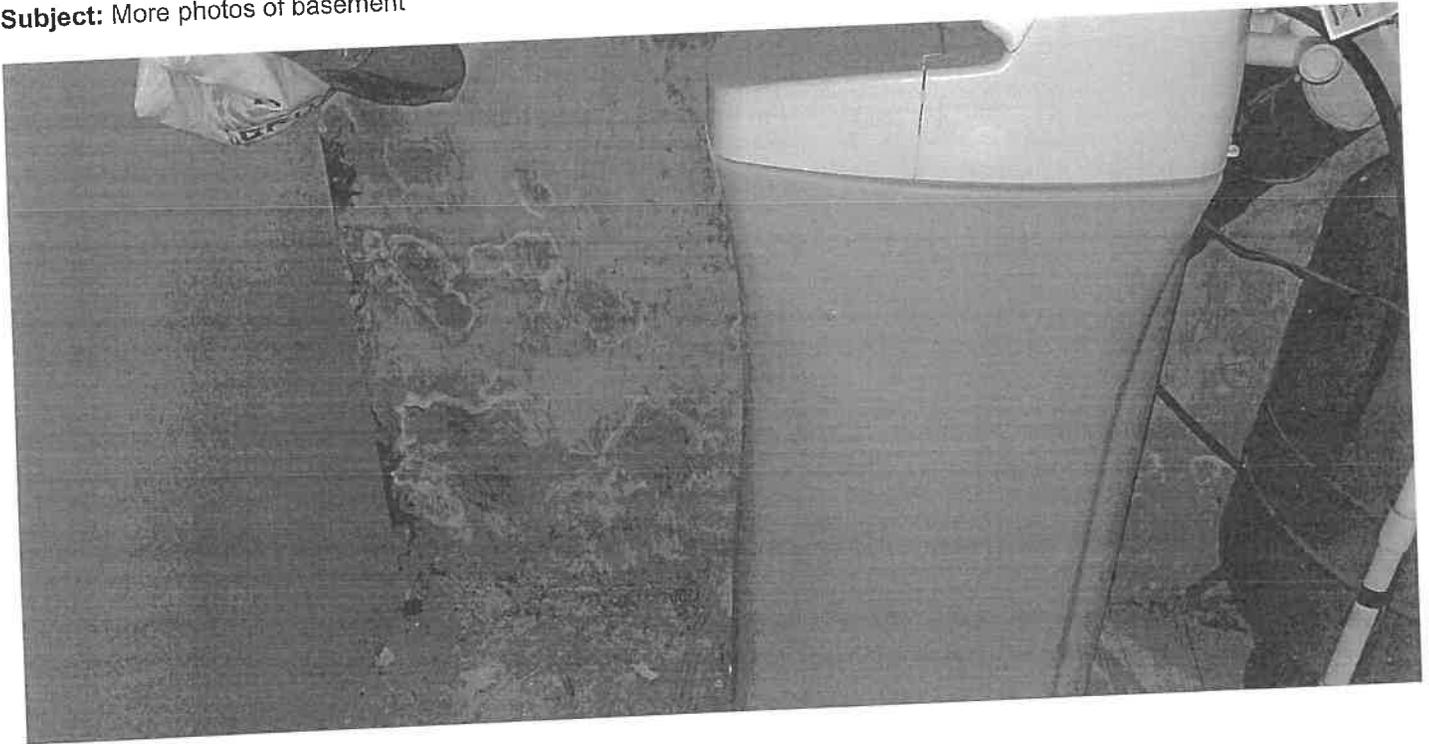
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Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:43 PM

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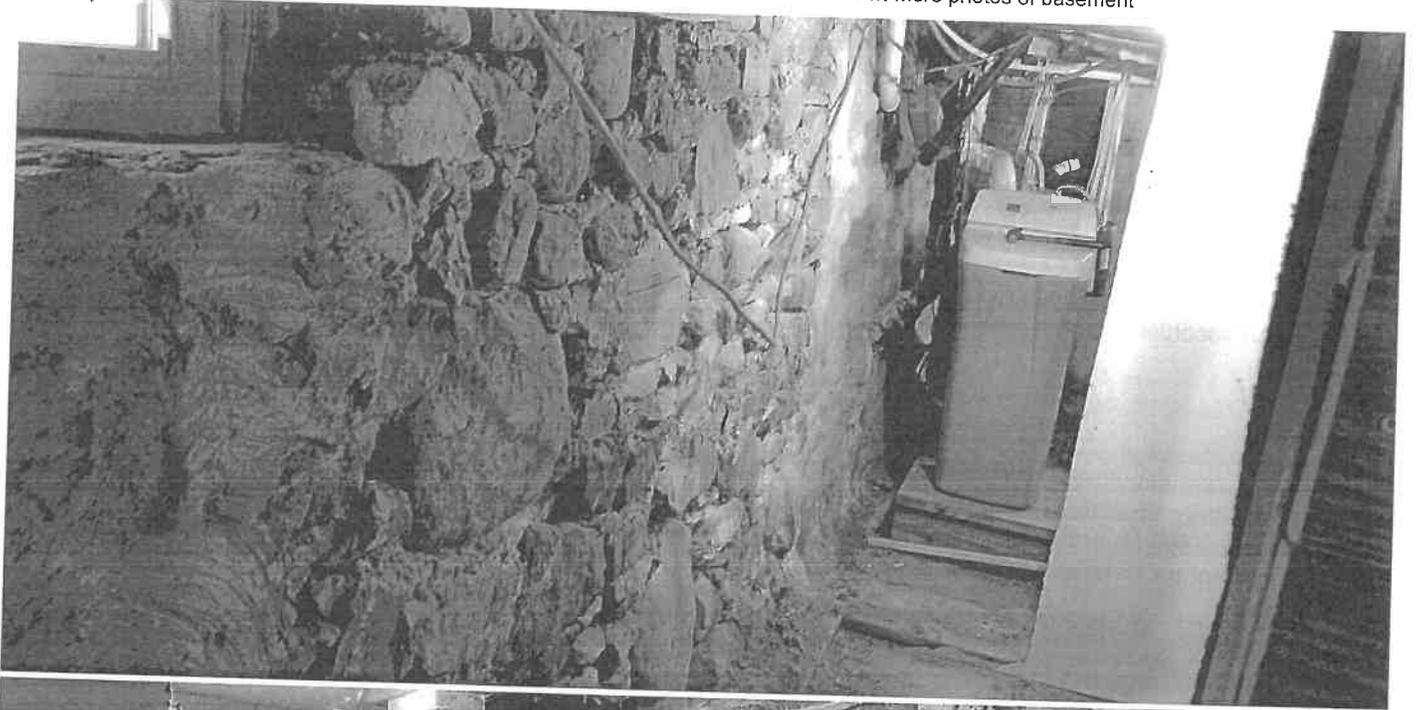
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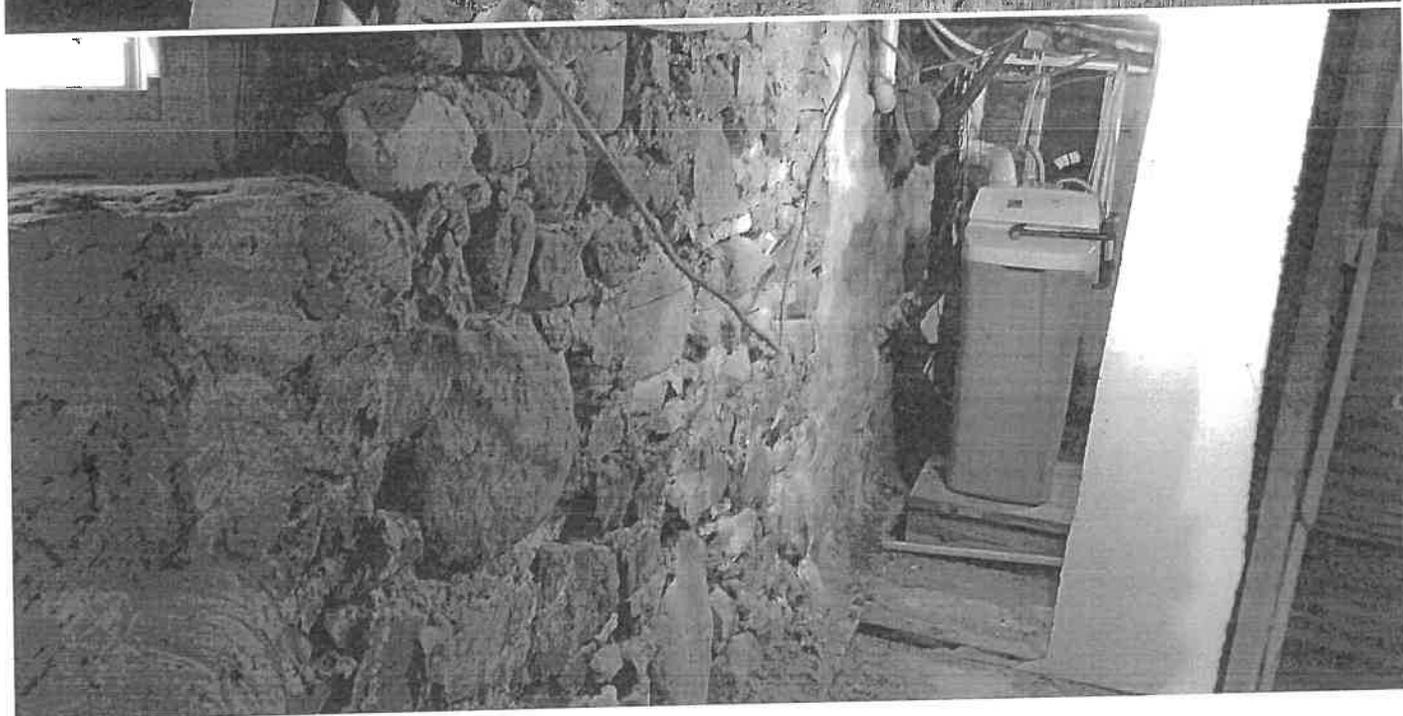
**From:** Charles Johnston <[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)>  
**To:** [sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us](mailto:sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us) <[sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us](mailto:sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us)>  
**Sent:** Thursday, September 6, 2018, 08:15:44 PM EDT  
**Subject:** More photos of basement



9/30/21, 11:22 AM

LYNCH & LYNCH CO LPA Mail - Fw: More photos of basement





As you can see on this wall where the hydraulic cement stops. This proves he hid the Problems of the walls.i had to remove a wall so Ohio waterproof can access wall and floor for work.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android



Scott Lynch &lt;scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com&gt;

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**Fw: Complaint # 2018-547 Johnston**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:46 PM

Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>**To:** sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us <sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us>; michael.banister@com.state.oh.us <michael.banister@com.state.oh.us>**Sent:** Tuesday, September 11, 2018, 11:23:52 AM EDT**Subject:** Complaint # 2018-547 Johnston

Good morning,

Michael,

Here is the signed letter you requested for mediation. Please let me know if you receive this. We received it today in the mail, and getting it back to you asap. We are looking forward for your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles and Susan Johnston

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Susan Johnston 10/18/17  
Signature (Date)

Clara Johnston 10/18/17  
Signature (Date)

Denise P. [Signature] 10/18/17  
Signature (Date)

Robert R. Peterson 10/18/17  
Signature (Date)

# Buyer Contact Information Sheet

JE171665MOV

Charles W. Johnston

Susan L. Johnston

Home: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell: 817 798 0845  
Email: CHASIJ65@YAHOO-COM

Home: \_\_\_\_\_  
Cell: 817 905 1271  
Email: Jabbersue71@YAHOO-COM

**MARITAL STATUS:**

- married to other buyer  
 unmarried  
 married, spouse's name is: \_\_\_\_\_

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- married to other buyer  
 unmarried  
 married, spouse's name is: \_\_\_\_\_

**Lender Information, if you are financing your purchase:**

Company and/or Loan Officer: VETERANS United Home Loans Ben Choi  
Email: BEN@VU-COM  
Phone Number: 800 814 1103

\*(Please inform lender that we are handling your transaction and instruct them to send their order to us.)

**Home Owner's Insurance Information (if lender involved):**

Company and/or Agent Name: LIBERTY Mutual CHRIS  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number: 440-855-1042

Do you want Closing Protection Coverage? (\$20.00 charge if lender/\$40 if no lender)  YES  NO  
NOTE: Closing Protection Coverage is a state-mandated offering that, if you opt to purchase it, is remitted by us entirely to our Underwriter, and which indemnifies you against loss you may suffer as a result of theft, misappropriation, fraud, or failure to comply with closing instructions. If you elect to purchase this coverage it will be more thoroughly explained to you by documentation you will sign at the time of closing this sale.

**Deed Preparation Information:**

Property owners will be (if unchanged from the purchase agreement then leave blank):  
\_\_\_\_\_

If more than one owner, do you want survivorship language on the deed?  YES  NO

I/we hereby authorize Chicago Title Agency of Northeast Ohio, Inc. to obtain any and all information necessary to complete our transaction, including but not limited to the items listed on this document.

Charles W. Johnston  
Charles W. Johnston

Susan L. Johnston  
Susan L. Johnston

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

SSN: \_\_\_\_\_

CURRENT AGRICULTURAL USE VALUATION INFORMATION  
(CAUV PROGRAM)

THE PROPERTY BEING PURCHASED IS CURRENTLY BEING TAXED UNDER THE ASHTABULA COUNTY CAUV PROGRAM. PLEASE SIGN ONE OF THE FOLLOWING STATEMENTS INDICATING YOUR CHOICE:

1) THE BUYER WILL CONTINUE FARMING THE PROPERTY UNDER THE CURRENT CAUV PROGRAM GUIDELINES AND AGREES TO FILL OUT THE REQUIRED DOCUMENTS WITH THE ASHTABULA COUNTY AUDITOR IN ORDER TO REMAIN ON THE PROGRAM.

Charles W. Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ 12-8-17  
SIGNATURE DATE

Susan L. Johnson \_\_\_\_\_ 12-8-17  
SIGNATURE DATE

2) THE BUYER DOES NOT INTEND TO CONTINUE THE REQUIREMENTS IN ORDER TO STAY ON THE CAUV PROGRAM (CHICAGO TITLE AGENCY WILL NEED INSTRUCTIONS IN WRITING STATING WHICH PARTY, BUYER OR SELLER, WILL BE RESPONSIBLE FOR PAYING THE RECOUPAGE AMOUNT TO THE COUNTY.)

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE DATE

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE DATE

I, \_\_\_\_\_, will be responsible for paying the CAUV recoupage due to the Ashtabula County Treasurer's office.

\_\_\_\_\_  
SIGNATURE DATE

**File No./Escrow No.:**

**Print Date & Time:**

Thursday 9th of November 2017 12:34:58 PM  
Eastern Time

**Officer/Escrow Officer:**

Chicago Title Agency of Northeast Ohio, Inc.



**Chicago  
Title Agency**

**Settlement Location:**

Chicago Title Agency of Northeast Ohio, Inc.  
60 N. Chestnut St.  
Jefferson, OH 44047  
(440) 576-8045  
jim@ctaneo.com

**Property Address:**

2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH, United States

**Buyer:**

**Seller:**

**Settlement Date:** 12/29/2017

**Disbursement Date:** 12/29/2017

**Additional dates per state requirements:**

Seller		Description	Buyer	
Debit	Credit		Debit	Credit
		<b>Financial</b>		
	\$ 284,000.00	Sales Price of Property	\$ 284,000.00	
		Personal Property		
		Deposit Including Earnest Money		
		Loan Amount		\$ 284,000.00
		Existing Loan(s) Taken subject to		
		Seller Credit		
		Excess Deposit		
		<b>Prorations/Adjustments</b>		
		City Property Tax from to		
\$ 2,305.41		County Property Tax from 01/01/2017 to 12/29/2017		\$ 2,305.41
		School Property Tax from to		
		Collections		
		HOA Dues from (date) to (date)		
		Seller Credit		
		<b>Loan Charges to Lender</b>		
		Points		



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Jefferson, Ohio 44047

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Phone: (440) 576-8045  
Fax: (440) 576-4003

December 7, 2017

Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston  
1002 Cherrywood Court  
Cleburne, TX 76033

RE: Our order # JE171665MOV  
2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson OH 44047

Dear Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston:

We have been selected as the title insurance and escrow agent for the purchase of the above described property. We appreciate your business and look forward to serving you! We will do our best to make the completion of your purchase as easy for you as possible. To assist us, we ask that you take a few minutes to review and complete the attached form(s). This will help us to contact you quickly and complete your purchase efficiently. When completed, please either mail the forms back to us, fax them to us at (844) 576-4003, or scan and email them to [michelle@ctaneo.com](mailto:michelle@ctaneo.com).

I am your Escrow Officer. If you have any questions, you can call me at (440) 576-8045 or email me at [michelle@ctaneo.com](mailto:michelle@ctaneo.com) Although I may not always be able to answer the phone we will always respond to you by phone or email the same day you call.

Thank You,

Michelle Olson, Escrow Coordinator  
Chicago Title Agency of Northeast Ohio, Inc.

# DUAL AGENCY

Ohio law permits a real estate agent and brokerage to represent both the seller and buyer in a real estate transaction as long as this is disclosed to both parties and they both agree. This is known as dual agency. As a dual agent, a real estate agent and brokerage represent two clients whose interests are, or at times could be, different or adverse. For this reason, the dual agent(s) may not be able to advocate on behalf of the client to the same extent the agent may have if the agent represented only one client.

**As a dual agent, the agent(s) and brokerage shall:**

- Treat both clients honestly;
- Disclose latent (not readily observable) material defects to the purchaser, if known by the agent(s) or brokerage;
- Provide information regarding lenders, inspectors and other professionals, if requested;
- Provide market information available from a property listing service or public records, if requested;
- Prepare and present all offers and counteroffers at the direction of the parties;
- Assist both parties in completing the steps necessary to fulfill the terms of any contract, if requested.

**As a dual agent, the agent(s) and brokerage shall not:**

- Disclose information that is confidential, or that would have an adverse effect on one party's position in the transaction, unless such disclosure is authorized by the client or required by law;
- Advocate or negotiate on behalf of either the buyer or seller;
- Suggest or recommend specific terms, including price, or disclose the terms or price a buyer is willing to offer or that a seller is willing to accept;
- Engage in conduct that is contrary to the instructions of either party and may not act in a biased manner on behalf of one party.

**Compensation:** Unless agreed otherwise, the brokerage will be compensated per the agency agreement.

**Management Level Licensees:** Generally the broker and managers in a brokerage also represent the interests of any buyer or seller represented by an agent affiliated with that brokerage. Therefore, if both buyer and seller are represented by agents in the same brokerage, the broker and manager are dual agents. There are two exceptions to this. The first is where the broker or manager is personally representing one of the parties. The second is where the broker or manager is selling or buying his own real estate. These exceptions only apply if there is another broker or manager to supervise the other agent involved in the transaction.

**Responsibilities of the Parties:** The duties of the agent and brokerage in a real estate transaction do not relieve the buyer and seller from the responsibility to protect their own interests. The buyer and seller are advised to carefully read all agreements to assure that they adequately express their understanding of the transaction. The agent and brokerage are qualified to advise on real estate matters. **IF LEGAL OR TAX ADVICE IS DESIRED, YOU SHOULD CONSULT THE APPROPRIATE PROFESSIONAL.**

**Consent:** By signing on the reverse side, you acknowledge that you have read and understand this form and are giving your voluntary, informed consent to the agency relationship disclosed. If you do not agree to the agent(s) and/or brokerage acting as a dual agent, you are not required to consent to this agreement and you may either request a separate agent in the brokerage to be appointed to represent your interests or you may terminate your agency relationship and obtain representation from another brokerage.

Any questions regarding the role or responsibilities of the brokerage or its agents should be directed to an attorney or to:

Ohio Department of Commerce  
Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing  
77 S. High Street, 20<sup>th</sup> Floor  
Columbus, OH 43215-6133  
(614) 466-4100



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Look close behind wires. Also is the demand letter ready?

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Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:39 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 29, 2018 8:38 AM  
**To:** Boyer, Wayne  
**Subject:** Johnston

Wayne,

Just checking to see if you have heard anything since we have the holiday coming up. Is your group off Monday as well? If so have a safe Labor day as the 101 days of summer wind down.

Charles



Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Ruck Complaint**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:42 PM

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To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us <sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018, 03:02:39 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Re: Ruck Complaint

Sandra,

Thank you for getting back with us so quickly attached is the 2 more pdf files. look thru them and see if there is any thing else you need. Also you need to add an T to the last name for me. :)

Charles Johnston

On Wednesday, September 5, 2018, 2:55:20 PM EDT, sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us <sandra.gagle@com.state.oh.us> wrote:

Mr. and Mrs. Johnson,

Thank you for taking the time to speak with me this afternoon. Per our conversation, you agreed to email me the agency agreement, HUD statement, along with emails and text message communications. Please feel free to send the information to this email. If you have any questions my contact information is listed below.

Thank you,



Sandra Gagle  
Investigator Supervisor  
Ohio Department of Commerce  
Real Estate & Professional Licensing  
Enforcement Section

77 S. High St, 20<sup>th</sup> Fl, Columbus, OH 43215  
(614) 728-5919 direct dial

Sandra.Gagle@com.state.oh.us  
www.com.ohio.gov

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E: [ben@veteransunited.com](mailto:ben@veteransunited.com)

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*Refer Ben Choi*

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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)]

**Sent:** Friday, December 01, 2017 2:24 PM

**To:** Ben Choi

**Subject:** loan

Ben, what will the figures be for the new amount Susan is concerned about this 3% as a vet it should be 0 down? need clarification. Any word from Appraiser yet?

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**Fw: loan problems with the loan before we moved to Ohio dennis did not do his part he was going to make us homeless**

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To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:28 PM

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Ben Choi <ben@veteransunited.com>  
**Sent:** Sunday, December 10, 2017, 09:26:53 PM EST  
**Subject:** Re: loan

Ben, i have a problem about this barn painting business. Technically Dennis has to do it there is nothing in writing that says I have to paint the barn for it to meet appraisal. Then you hold the money out in escrow from Denis part to paint the barn to meet in inspection criteria after the snow is over. He is being lazy and is this going to make the deal or break it and what is your thoughts on this. I go and pick up the moving truck in the morning so everything gets boxed up and ready for Tuesday move to Ohio.

Why should I have to pay out of pocket since I technically don't own the property yet to have it painted this should be done by the current owner I had a 70 year old man to scrape it last week. Dennis is too worried to sell homes vs taking care of his own business, We will not be homeless due to the lack of his ignorance.

Give me a call and we can discuss this further on Monday.

Thanks Charles

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**From:** Ben Choi <ben@veteransunited.com>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, December 1, 2017 2:29 PM  
**Subject:** RE: loan

Your loan is \$0-money down for a down payment. You still have closing costs. The title company, insurance company, escrow accounts, taxes, all still need to be paid. Your new loan will be \$293,000 and you will have \$0 down payment.

I'll let you know as soon as I hear from the appraiser.

Thanks!

**Ben Choi**  
Senior Loan Officer, NMLS 47882

P: 800-814-1103, 3303  
C: 314-324-6258  
F: 573-445-7190



# Important Consumer Information Regarding the Scope and Limitations of the Inspection

Please read this entire page as it is part of this report. This report is not a guarantee or warranty as to the absence of wood destroying insects nor is it a structural integrity report. The inspector's training and experience do not qualify the inspector in damage evaluation or any other building construction technology and/or repair.

- 1. About the Inspection:** A visual inspection was conducted in the readily accessible areas of the structure(s) indicated (see Page 1) including attics and crawlspaces which permitted entry during the inspection. The inspection included probing and/or sounding of unobstructed and accessible areas to determine the presence or absence of visual evidence of wood destroying insects. The WDI inspection firm is not responsible to repair any damage or treat any infestation at the structure(s) inspected, except as may be provided by separate contract. Also, wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage may exist in concealed or inaccessible areas. The inspection firm cannot guarantee that any wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage disclosed by this inspection represents all of the wood destroying insect infestation and/or damage which may exist as of the date of the inspection. ***For purposes of this inspection, wood destroying insects include: termites, carpenter ants, carpenter bees, and reinfesting wood boring beetles. This inspection does not include mold, mildew or noninsect wood destroying organisms.*** This report shall be considered invalid for purposes of securing a mortgage and/or settlement of property transfer if not used within ninety (90) days from the date of inspection. ***This shall not be construed as a 90-day warranty.*** There is no warranty, express or implied, related to this report unless disclosed as required by state regulations or a written warranty or service agreement is attached.
- 2. Treatment Recommendation Guidelines Regarding Subterranean Termites:** FHA and VA require treatment when any active infestation of subterranean termites is found. If signs of subterranean termites — but no activity — are found in a structure that shows no evidence of having been treated for subterranean termites in the past, then a treatment should be recommended. A treatment may also be recommended for a previously treated structure showing evidence of subterranean termites — but no activity — if there is no documentation of a liquid treatment by a licensed pest control company within the previous five years unless the structure is presently under warranty or covered by a service agreement with a licensed pest control company.
- 3. Obstructions and Inaccessible Areas:** No inspection was made in areas which required the breaking apart or into, dismantling, removal of any object, including but not limited to: moldings, floor coverings, wall coverings, siding, fixed ceilings, insulation, furniture, appliances, and/or personal possessions; nor were areas inspected which were obstructed or inaccessible for physical access on the date of inspection. Your inspector may write out inaccessible areas or use the key in Section IV. Crawl spaces, attics, and/or other areas may be deemed inaccessible if the opening to the area is not large enough to provide physical access for the inspector or if a ladder was required for access. Crawl spaces (or portions thereof) may also be deemed inaccessible if there is less than 24 inches of clearance from the bottom of the floor joists to the surface below. If any area which has been reported as inaccessible is made accessible, the inspection company may be contacted for another inspection. An additional fee may apply.
- 4. Consumer Maintenance Advisory Regarding Integrated Pest Management for Prevention of Wood Destroying Insects.** Any structure can be attacked by wood destroying insects. Homeowners should be aware of and try to eliminate conditions which promote insect infestation in and around their structure(s). Factors which may lead to wood destroying insect infestation include: earth to wood contact, foam insulation at foundation in contact with soil, faulty grade, improper drainage, firewood against structure(s), insufficient ventilation, moisture, wood debris in crawlspace, wood mulch or ground cover in contact with the structure, tree branches touching structure(s), landscape timbers and wood decay. Should these or other conditions exist, corrective measures should be taken in order to reduce the chances of infestation of wood destroying insects and the need for treatment.
- 5. Neither the inspecting company nor the inspector has had, presently has, or contemplates having any interest in the property inspected.**

# Wood Destroying Insect Inspection Report

Notice: Please read important consumer information on page 2.

## Section I. General Information

Inspection Company, Address & Phone  
The HomeTeam Inspection Service  
6128 New London Road  
Ashtabula, OH 44004  
440-969-7480

Company's Business Lic. No.  
86155

Date of Inspection  
11/13/2017

Address of Property Inspected  
2042 Stumpville Rd.  
Jefferson, OH 44047

Inspector's Name, Signature & Certification, Registration, or Lic. #  
Harold Burns #5100



Structure(s) Inspected  
dwelling, garage, barn, and all detached buildings

## Section II. Inspection Findings

This report is indicative of the condition of the above identified structure(s) on the date of inspection and is not to be construed as a guarantee or warranty against latent, concealed, or future infestations or defects. Based on a careful visual inspection of the readily accessible areas of the structure(s) inspected:

- A. No visible evidence of wood destroying insects was observed.
- B. Visible evidence of wood destroying insects was observed as follows:

- 1. Live insects (description and location): \_\_\_\_\_
- 2. Dead insects, insect parts, frass, shelter tubes, exit holes, or staining (description and location): exit holes of wood boring beetles in floor structure
- 3. Visible damage from wood destroying insects was noted as follows (description and location): \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTE: This is not a structural damage report.** If box B above is checked, it should be understood that some degree of damage, including hidden damage, may be present. If any questions arise regarding damage indicated by this report, it is recommended that the buyer or any interested parties contact a qualified structural professional to determine the extent of damage and the need for repairs.

Yes  No  It appears that the structure(s) or a portion thereof may have been previously treated. Visible evidence of possible previous treatment: \_\_\_\_\_

The inspecting company can give no assurances with regard to work done by other companies. The company that performed the treatment should be contacted for information on treatment and any warranty or service agreement which may be in place.

## Section III. Recommendations

- No treatment recommended: (Explain if Box B in Section II is checked) Exit holes were from an old infestation - not active.
- Recommend treatment for the control of: \_\_\_\_\_

## Section IV. Obstructions and Inaccessible Areas

The following areas of the structure(s) inspected were obstructed or inaccessible:

- Basement 6, 7, 9, 24
- Crawlspace
- Main Level 1, 3, 4, 6, 7
- Attic 10 (see pg.2; par.3)
- Garage 6, 7
- Exterior 17
- Porch 12 (skirting)
- Addition
- Other Out-Buildings: 6, 7

The inspector may write out obstructions or use the following optional key:

- |                         |  |
|-------------------------|--|
| 1. Fixed ceiling        | 13. Only visual access                 |
| 2. Suspended ceiling    | 14. Cluttered condition                |
| 3. Fixed wall covering  | 15. Standing water                     |
| 4. Floor covering       | 16. Dense vegetation                   |
| 5. Insulation           | 17. Exterior siding                    |
| 6. Cabinets or shelving | 18. Window well covers                 |
| 7. Stored items         | 19. Wood pile                          |
| 8. Furnishings          | 20. Snow                               |
| 9. Appliances           | 21. Unsafe conditions                  |
| 10. No access or entry  | 22. Rigid foam board                   |
| 11. Limited access      | 23. Synthetic stucco                   |
| 12. No access beneath   | 24. Duct work, plumbing, and/or wiring |

## Section V. Additional Comments and Attachments (these are an integral part of the report)

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Attachments \_\_\_\_\_

**Signature of Seller(s)** or Owner(s) if refinancing. Seller acknowledges that all information regarding W.D.I. infestation, damage, repair, and treatment history has been disclosed to the buyer.

X

**Signature of Buyer.** The undersigned hereby acknowledges receipt of a copy of both page 1 and page 2 of this report and understands the information reported.

X



Harold C. Burns  
6128 New London Rd, Ashtabula, OH 44004

Invoice Date: 11/13/2017

Payor
Charles and Susan Johnston 2042 Stumpville Rd Jefferson, OH 44047

Terms	Due
due on receipt	11/13/2017

DESCRIPTION	AMOUNT
Septic Inspection	\$150.00
Pest Inspection	\$110.00
Water Analysis	\$75.00
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$335.00</b>

Thank you for your business, if you have any questions please call us at (440) 969-7480

Should you have any further questions or need any clarification please feel free to call us at (440) 969-7480.

Thank you for trusting HomeTeam Inspection Service.

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Scott Lynch &lt;scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com&gt;

**Fw: Your Inspection Report (2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047)**

1 message

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:25 PM

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**From:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Dennis Ruck <dennyruck@gmail.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 14, 2017, 12:37:22 PM EST  
**Subject:** Fw: Your Inspection Report (2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047)

Dennis here is a copy of insect report I am sending check in mail today to Harold. Thanks Charles

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**From:** Charles Johnston <jabbersue71@yahoo.com>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 14, 2017 11:26 AM  
**Subject:** Fw: Your Inspection Report (2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047)

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**From:** "Harold C. Burns, ACI" <ashtabula@hometeam.com>  
**To:** jabbersue71@yahoo.com  
**Sent:** Tuesday, November 14, 2017 11:05 AM  
**Subject:** Your Inspection Report (2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047)

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Linked and/or attached to this email is the inspection report(s) and invoice or receipt for 2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047 completed on 11/13/2017 at 10:00AM. If you have any questions, please call. The results of the water test will be sent as soon as they are available (probably Friday evening).

**To view your inspection report click here to download and view the report online.** The pest report is an attachment.

The electronic inspection report provided to you **requires Adobe® Acrobat® Reader** to view properly. If you do not have Adobe® Acrobat® Reader it can be **downloaded directly from Adobe®** by going to <http://get.adobe.com/reader/>.

Please make your check payable to: **HomeTeam**, and mail it to: 6128 New London Rd., Ashtabula, OH 44004.

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**From:** Mark Rodio <mrodio@frantzward.com>  
**Sent:** Friday, August 24, 2018 7:58 AM  
**To:** Watts, Greg; Boyer, Wayne  
**Cc:** 'David Mussari'; Barbara Babcock; Bruce Schlosser; dennyruck@gmail.com  
**Subject:** RE: Johnston - Jefferson, Ohio Property -- 2042 Stumpville Rd.

Greg,  
Your letter misses the point of the sample MTD I sent you. The case law is clear: regardless of any alleged misrepresentations of the Seller on the RPDF (which, of course, are NOT admitted), the Buyer cannot prove the justifiable reliance element when the Buyer's contract was expressly contingent on a professional, pre-purchase home inspection. In addition, the Buyers made no additional inquiry post-inspection and pre-closing (so *Foust v. Valleybrook* does not apply). The Buyers could not have relied on any post-closing representations in their decision to purchase. In addition, *Foust* was a Sixth District case decided in 1981, whereas *Massa v. Genco* was an Eleventh District case decided in 1991, which is where the property is located. Neither *Massa* nor its progeny make any exception to the rule that there can be no justifiable reliance on alleged misrepresentations of the Seller where the contract was expressly contingent on a home inspection. Without that prima facie element, there is no liability for fraudulent misrepresentation. In addition, there is no liability by BHHS, which neither owned the property nor represented your Buyers. Even *Foust* recognizes there is no fiduciary duty owed where your client was not represented by BHHS. Your clients' revised demand of \$87,000 is rejected. Any claim filed against BHHS or its affiliated agents will, of course, be vigorously defended, including all remedies under Ohio Rev. Code § 2323.51 (given the clear legal doctrines of which you have been provided advance notice).

**Mark L. Rodio**



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**From:** Carmichael, Sandi [<mailto:scarmichael@kwgd.com>] **On Behalf Of** Watts, Greg

**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2018 5:08 PM

**To:** Mark Rodio

**Cc:** Boyer, Wayne ; Watts, Greg

**Subject:** Johnston - Jefferson, Ohio Property

The attached correspondence is sent on behalf of Gregory W. Watts, Esq. ([gwatts@kwgd.com](mailto:gwatts@kwgd.com)). Thank you.

Sandi Carmichael

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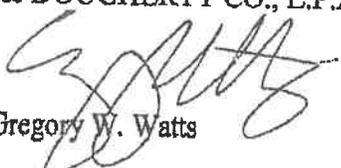
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As detailed above, Sellers cannot hide behind the concepts of *caveat emptor* and "as is" to avoid liability for their affirmative misrepresentations concerning the nature of the Real Estate. However, in an interest to settle this dispute and avoid litigation, Sellers will lower their demand to \$87,000.00 for the numerous misrepresentations and resulting damages, attorney fees, and aggravation caused by Sellers' and BHHS' actions. Please respond within the next ten (10) calendar days.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need anything further.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.

  
Gregory W. Watts

GWW/wab

cc: Wayne A. Boyer, Esq. (via email)

These affirmative statements were clear misrepresentations on the part of Sellers that were material to the sale of the Real Estate, as Sellers were in the best position to disclose any issues they knew of concerning the Real Estate and failed to do so, leading to Clients purchasing the Real Estate. Clients are not real estate brokers or house experts, and did not see any open and discoverable issues affecting the basement, walls, ceiling, and chimney. The leaking issues have led to the discovery of numerous additional discovered hidden issues related to the electrical wiring (the main fuse box/electrical panel for the home is located on a wall that is affected by the leaking) as well as plumbing issues that were hidden due to past repairs.

Furthermore, *caveat emptor* does not bar a purchaser's fraud claim in situations where a purchaser's duty of inspection is terminated upon a seller's knowing and material misrepresentations in response to a purchaser's inquiry. See *Foust v. Valleybrook Realty Co.* (1981), 4 Ohio App.3d 164, 446 N.E.2d 1122; see also, *Tuckerman v. Doles* (June 13, 1990), Montgomery App No. 11926, 1990 WL 80563 (a purchaser is entitled to rely on the affirmative representations of the perpetrator of a fraud and need not prove justifiable reliance if a representation is reasonable on its face). In determining whether reliance is justifiable, courts consider items such as the nature of the transaction, the form and materiality of the representation, the relationship of the parties, the respective intelligence, experience, age, and mental and physical condition of the parties, and their respective knowledge and means of knowledge. *Finomore v. Epstein* (1984), 18 Ohio App.3d 88, 481 N.E.2d 1193.

In the present situation, Sellers were in a much better position to determine the state of the home and the materiality of the defects than Clients. Mr. Ruck was the owner of the Real Estate and had been for decades, and further has decades of experience as a realtor in the area. He, of all people, is well aware of the materiality of water leakage as it affects basements in Northeast Ohio and knows the purpose of the Disclosure forms and the part they play in real estate transactions. Furthermore, he had access, as the owner of the Real Estate, to decades' worth of information concerning the home, where Clients, who were moving to Ohio from Texas, had very little knowledge as to the state of basements in Ohio and were relying on the Disclosure and Mr. Ruck to inform them of any issues related thereto. Having superior knowledge of the condition of a system of a home and misrepresenting the same relieved Clients of the duty to inspect and prevented Sellers from hiding behind an "as is" clause to avoid liability for fraudulent misrepresentation. See *Brewer v. Brothers*, 82 Ohio App.3d 148, 611 N.E.2d 492.

As a direct result of the affirmative misrepresentations by Sellers, Clients have incurred the following damages:

- \$25,700.00 for repair of the basement and foundation related to the water issues;
- \$2,950.00 for plumbing repairs related to leaking issues;
- \$3,880.00 for electrical repairs (including \$2,350.00 due to the need to move the electrical panel in the wall in the basement because of flooding issues);
- \$56,211.00 due to needed barn repairs related to leaking and the removal of several supports by Sellers; and
- \$14,000.00 for garage repairs due to water leakage surrounding a support beam.

indicated "yes" on the Disclosure as to whether there had been water intrusion affecting the house being sold. Therefore, the buyers were put on notice of a possible defect, and were not permitted to sit back and raise lack of expertise when a problem arose.

In this situation, Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to whether they had any knowledge of previous or current water leakage, accumulation, excess moisture, or other issues as it related to the property, including the basement:

D) WATER INTRUSION: Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed.

Owner's Initials WR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Initials WR Date \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Initials WU Date 10/18/11  
Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 12/18/17

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Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to knowledge of water or moisture related damage as to floors, walls, or ceilings as a result of flooding, plumbing issues, or appliances:

Property Address 2042 Starville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding, moisture seepage, moisture condensation, ice damming, sewer overflow/backlog, or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to whether they knew of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks or settling, or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or any interior/exterior walls:

E) STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FOUNDATION, BASEMENT/CRAWL SPACE, FLOORS, INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR WALLS): Do you know of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks, settling (other than visible minor cracks or blemishes) or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or interior/exterior walls?  
 Yes  No If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, alterations or modifications to control the cause or effect of any problem identified (but not longer than the past 5 years):

Therefore, unlike numerous cases that you cited in your Motion to Dismiss, Sellers affirmatively stated that they had no knowledge of any defects related to leaking in the basement, water-related damage to floors, walls, or ceilings, and wall deterioration. Please remember that, when Clients called Mr. Ruck in February 2018 about various leaking issues in the basement, Mr. Ruck directed Clients to a pail of hydraulic cement that was already located in the basement and stated that rubbing the hydraulic cement on the affected areas "usually fixes it." Sellers obviously: a) knew about the leaking issues in the basement well before the sale, since they already had a bucket of material located in the basement to mitigate the problem; and b) the leaking had occurred on multiple occasions during Sellers' ownership of the Real Estate, since the hydraulic cement "usually" fixed the problem of leaking.

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August 23, 2018

VIA EMAIL ([mrodio@frantzward.com](mailto:mrodio@frantzward.com))

Mark L. Rodio  
FRANTZ WARD LLP  
200 Public Square, Suite 3000  
Cleveland, OH 44114

**RE: Charles and Susan Johnston – Misrepresentation Issues Regarding Property at  
2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047**

Dear Mr. Rodio:

As you are aware, the undersigned and Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A. represent Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston (hereinafter "Clients") with respect to their ownership in 28.25 acres, located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047 and identified as Parcel No. 290070001200 ("Real Estate") and the purchase agreement Clients entered into with Dennis Ruck and R. Ann Peterson Ruck ("Sellers"), dated October 18, 2017 ("Agreement") related thereto. I am writing in response to your email dated August 13, 2018, in which you detailed numerous reasons why you believe that Sellers and Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty ("BHHS") are not liable for damages incurred by Clients as a direct result of Sellers' misrepresentations contained in the Agreement and Residential Property Disclosure Form ("Disclosure") related to the Real Estate. The purpose of this letter is to address your statements in the August 13 email and sample Motion to Dismiss attached to the email.

While we agree that the concept of *caveat emptor* applies to real estate purchases in Ohio, such that open and obvious defects cannot be the basis of a claim in an "as is" purchase situation, we disagree that the issues that Clients have encountered were "open and obvious" defects. Clients viewed all parts of the Real Estate, including the basement, in which the majority of the issues have been encountered, and did not observe any obvious indication that the basement had leaking issues. Furthermore, the certified appraiser who inspected the house for purposes of valuation for the loan process did not state that there were any issues in the basement. Home buyers are held to a standard of "comparison with ordinarily prudent persons of their station and experience confronted by the same or similar circumstances." *Traverse v. Long* (1956), 165 Ohio St. 249, 59 O.O. 325, 135 N.E.2d 256. In this situation, the defects in the Real Estate were not readily apparent; on the contrary, they only arose once the first spring thaw occurred, months after Clients purchased the house.

Please note one large fact difference between the sample Motion to Dismiss that you attached to your August 13 email and the facts at hand. In the Motion to Dismiss, it is evident that the seller in that case

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**From:** Mark Rodio <mrodio@frantzward.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, August 13, 2018 4:42 PM  
**To:** Watts, Greg  
**Cc:** 'David Mussari'; Barbara Babcock; Bruce Schlosser; dennyruck@gmail.com  
**Subject:** 2042 Stumpville Rd., Jefferson, OH  
**Attachments:** MTD (mlr 5-25-18)(00541784).docx

Gregory,

I represent BHHS Professional Realty and its affiliated agents, so please direct all further communications to me. In response to your August 10 letter, please note the following:

1. BHHS's affiliated agent represented only the Seller, not your clients. Therefore, no fiduciary duty was owed.
2. I am familiar with the limitations of the "as is" clause to fraudulent non-disclosure claims.
3. That said, open and obvious defects cannot be the basis for any claim since caveat emptor still applies to real estate purchases in Ohio.
4. Your clients' purchase was contingent on a professional pre-purchase home inspection. As such, any claims for fraudulent misrepresentation or fraudulent concealment are barred. See the attached sample Motion to Dismiss and the cases cited therein starting at page 7. Basically, the case law (including the 8<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup>, and 11<sup>th</sup> Districts) holds that Buyers cannot prove justifiable reliance on any misrepresentation by the Sellers since the Buyers were relying on the professional pre-purchase inspection and could not have reasonably relied on anything misrepresented by the Sellers.
5. Your demand of \$120,000 is rejected, given the lack of any duty owed and the bar to any fraudulent misrepresentation claim as a result of the pre-purchase inspection contingency.
6. Finally, be aware that your threat to file a complaint with the Department of Commerce violates Rule 1.2(e) of the Ohio Rules of Professional Conduct.

Feel free to contact me if you want to discuss this matter further.

**Mark L. Rodio**



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basement to mitigate the problem; and b) the leaking had occurred on multiple occasions during Sellers' ownership of the Real Estate, since the hydraulic cement "usually" fixed the problem of leaking.

These statements and existence of the hydraulic cement show that Sellers made affirmative misrepresentations on the Disclosure, as they stated in multiple locations on the disclosure that they were unaware of any leaking issues or any damages caused by the leaking issues. The statements were material to the sale of the Real Estate, as the condition of walls and basements related to real estate is paramount to the integrity of a home. Furthermore, Clients relied on these statements when purchasing the Real Estate, as they were not in a position to know of any leaking issues in the home and were relying on Mr. Ruck's status as owner of the Real Estate for decades, coupled with his knowledge and duties as a realtor, to disclose any issues with the home. To date, Clients have incurred numerous monetary damages related to the leaking issues as a result of needing to hire various contractors to remedy these issues.

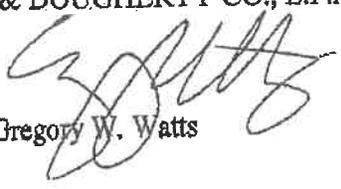
Furthermore, numerous additional issues have been uncovered as a result of the leaking chimney, walls and basement, as contractors have discovered hidden issues related to the electrical wiring (the main fuse box/electrical panel for the home is located on a wall that is affected by the leaking) as well as plumbing issues that were hidden due to past repairs. These issues have added thousands of dollars' worth of repairs and constant headaches to Clients, as every repair and expense incurred by them uncovers additional issues related to the flooding that need further repair.

Clients continue to incur expenses related to Sellers' affirmative misrepresentations on a seemingly weekly basis, as new issues pop up which require additional repairs. Therefore, Clients demand compensation of \$120,000.00 for the numerous misrepresentations and resulting damages, attorneys' fees, and aggravation caused by Sellers' and Berkshire Hathaway's actions. Should Sellers and Berkshire Hathaway fail to make a payment within the next ten (10) calendar days, Clients are prepared to file a complaint with the State of Ohio Department of Commerce and further seek all relief to which they may be entitled under law, including damages, attorneys' fees and any other relief, both legal and equitable.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need anything further.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.

  
Gregory W. Watts

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cc: Wayne A. Boyer, Esq.

- Water issues in the basement stemming from a post issue;
- Flooding issues and quicksand on the property;
- Garbage left by Sellers;
- Chimney deterioration;
- Plumbing issues; and
- Walls caving in in the barn due to leaking issues and past inadequate repairs.

Clients have incurred numerous expenses related to these damages, and continue to incur expenses to repair new issues on a regular basis.

Realtors are held to a higher standard than homeowners. A realtor has a duty to disclose facts known to them in a timely manner. *Beck v. Sluss Realty Co.*, 1987 WL 12519 (5th Dist. App. 1987). That duty extends to require a realtor not to actively conceal a latent defect contained within a parcel of residential real estate. *Bedwell v. Schmitt*, 2002 WL 31813019, 2002-Ohio-6909 (11th Dist. App. 2002). Buyers are entitled to rely upon the representations of the realtor because of the fiduciary nature of the relationship. *Foust v. Valleybrook Realty*, 1981 WL 401639 (6th Dist. App. 1981).

While accepting property in an "as is" condition relieves the seller of any claims for fraudulent nondisclosure, an "as is" clause cannot be relied upon to bar a claim for fraudulent misrepresentation or fraudulent concealment. *Kaye v. Buehrle*, 8 Ohio App.3d 381, 457 N.E.2d 373 (9th Dist. App. 1983). A party to a transaction is liable to the other for fraudulent concealment if he "by concealment or other action intentionally prevents the other from acquiring material information." *Id.* There are six elements of a fraudulent misrepresentation claim: (1) a representation or, when duty to disclose, concealment of fact; (2) which is material to the transaction at hand; (3) made falsely, with knowledge of its falsity, or with such utter disregard and recklessness as to whether it is true or false that knowledge may be inferred; (4) with the intent of misleading another into relying upon it; (5) justifiable reliance upon the representation or concealment; and; (6) resulting in injury proximately caused by the reliance. *Gaines v. Preterm-Cleveland, Inc.* (1987), 33 Ohio St.3d 54, 55, 514 N.E.2d 709.

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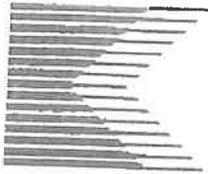
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- Do you know of any current leaks, backups or other material problems with the water supply system or quality of water?
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- Do you know of the previous or current presence of any of the below identified hazardous materials on the property: Lead-Based Paint?

Clients purchased the Real Estate from Sellers in December 2017. Prior to moving in, Clients were forced to repaint the barn located on the Real Estate due to the existence of lead-based paint, a condition that Sellers refused to remedy. Shortly after moving in, once snow began to melt in February 2018, Clients noticed water leaking in the basement through multiple walls. When Clients contacted Mr. Ruck concerning the leakage, Mr. Ruck responded by telling Clients that the leaks occur "all the time", and directed Clients to pull hydraulic cement from a pail already in the basement and place it on the leaks, and that "that usually fixes it."

To date, Clients have encountered numerous additional issues relating to the Real Estate, including:

- Electrical problems related to "hot wires" in attic stuffed into ventilation and other issues;
- Mold in the basement;
- Issues with the septic vent pipe;
- Poor wiring in the barn;
- Deteriorating cement walls;



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**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL,  
RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED  
AND REGULAR MAIL**

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Conneaut, OH 44030

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1 Lawyers Row  
Jefferson, OH 44047

Berkshire Hathaway  
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c/o Blue Rock Select, LLC  
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Berkshire Hathaway  
3555 Farnam Street  
Omaha, NE 68131

**RE: *Misrepresentations and Damages Incurred Therefrom Regarding Property at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047***

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ruck:

Please be advised that the undersigned and Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A. represent Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston (hereinafter "Clients") with respect to their ownership in 28.25 acres, located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047 and identified as Parcel No. 290070001200 ("Real Estate") and the purchase agreement Clients entered into with Dennis Ruck and R. Ann Peterson

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As a direct result of the affirmative misrepresentations by Sellers, Clients have incurred the following damages:

- \$25,700.00 for repair of the basement and foundation related to the water issues;
- \$2,950.00 for plumbing repairs related to leaking issues;
- \$3,880.00 for electrical repairs (including \$2,350.00 due to the need to move the electrical panel in the wall in the basement because of flooding issues);
- \$56,211.00 due to needed barn repairs related to leaking and the removal of several supports by Sellers; and
- \$14,000.00 for garage repairs due to water leakage surrounding a support beam.

As detailed above, Sellers cannot hide behind the concepts of *caveat emptor* and "as is" to avoid liability for their affirmative misrepresentations concerning the nature of the Real Estate. However, in an interest to settle this dispute and avoid litigation, Sellers will lower their demand to \$87,000.00 for the numerous misrepresentations and resulting damages, attorneys' fees, and aggravation caused by Sellers' and BHHS' actions. Please respond within the next ten (10) calendar days.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need anything further.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.

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Charles W. Johnston  
Susan L. Johnston  
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Jefferson, OH 44047

Date 08/30/2018  
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Source GWW  
Invoice No. 352206  
Period Ending 07/31/2018

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**FOR PROFESSIONAL SERVICES RENDERED:**

Date	Inits	Description	Hours	Amount
07/05/18	WAB	Researched Westlaw for cases involving duty to disclose as realtor, elements to prove, and damages resulting therefrom.	1.20	216.00
07/06/18	WAB	Continued research concerning caselaw related to realtor causes of action and damages.	0.70	126.00
07/10/18	GWW	Review file and Conferred on the telephone with clients regarding causes of action	1.90	418.00
07/10/18	WAB	Emailed Client to set up phone conference with Attorney Watts regarding causes of action moving forward. Spoke with Clients concerning issues and causes of action. Returned Client's phone call to discuss further issues and questions.	1.70	306.00
07/12/18	WAB	Responded to emails from Client concerning appraisal report. Reviewed appraisal. Discussed issues with Clients via phone conference.	0.90	162.00
07/13/18	WAB	Researched availability of Ohio fund for compensation re: realty, per Client discussion. Discussed additional aspects of case with Attorney Hastings.	0.40	72.00
07/18/18	JJP	Discussion with Attorney Boyer RE: Case Strategy	0.25	48.75
07/19/18	DLT	Conference with Attorney Wayne Boyer; Return call to client on behalf of Attorney Boyer; Conference with Attorney Gregory Watts and Attorney Wayne Boyer; Prepare litigation retention agreement per instructions;	0.23	28.75



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Date	Inits	Description	Hours	Amount
07/20/18	WAB	Received plumbing estimate from Client. Reviewed same.	0.10	18.00
07/27/18	WAB	Reviewed all appraisals, case law, and other materials. Drafted letter to Clients summarizing status and possible avenues of relief.	2.40	432.00
07/27/18	MWO	Reviewed and revised advisory letter to clients.	0.10	20.50
07/28/18	GWW	Review letter to client	0.20	44.00
07/30/18	WAB	Finalized letter regarding status of the case and litigation and sent same to word processing for review and sending.	0.10	18.00
07/31/18	DLT	Conference with Attorney Wayne Boyer; Conference call with clients to schedule appointment; Reserve conference room;	0.20	25.00
<b>Total Professional Charges</b>				<b>1,935.00</b>

**DISBURSEMENTS**

Date	Description	Amount
07/12/18	Telephone charges	6.30
07/19/18	Telephone charges	1.75
	<b>Total Disbursements</b>	<b>8.05</b>
	<b>Total Fees</b>	<b>\$1,935.00</b>
	<b>Total Expenses Advanced</b>	<b>\$8.05</b>
	<b>Invoice Total</b>	<b><u>\$1,943.05</u></b>



Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Johnston Case Look at this so you know who to send certified letters to name people in law suit**

1 message

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:19 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

----- Forwarded Message -----

**From:** Tschantz, Diana <dtschantz@kwgd.com>  
**To:** chas1j65@yahoo.com <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 5, 2018, 02:43:13 PM EDT  
**Subject:** FW: RE: Johnston Case

**Forwarding first email**

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**From:** Tschantz, Diana  
**Sent:** Wednesday, September 05, 2018 12:02 PM  
**To:** 'Charles Johnston'  
**Cc:** Boyer, Wayne; Watts, Greg  
**Subject:** RE: RE: Johnston Case

Mr. Johnston, per your request yesterday. Attached find letters regarding your claim and the email responses received from the attorney for the real estate agency and real estate agent. I emailed this to Attorney Boyer and Attorney Watts yesterday and inquired if anything else needed to be provided, they both felt this would be what you would need to submit.

**Good luck,**

**Diana**

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**Sent:** Tuesday, September 04, 2018 3:11 PM  
**To:** Tschantz, Diana  
**Subject:** Re: RE: Johnston Case

Diana,

Can you send me the copy of the emails from the other attorney conversation and the 2 denial letters, Plus any thing we sent for the two demand letters as well. Since the commerce dept. is requesting those too. I have the purchase agreement and the disclosure form that I can send to them.

Thanks

Charles

On Tuesday, September 4, 2018, 1:25:47 PM EDT, Tschantz, Diana <dtschantz@kwgd.com> wrote:

Yes, Wayne had spoke to him about the form. Wayne asked me to complete as much as I could and send on to you for completion. So glad you are handling it yourself and THANK YOU for letting me know. I will not work on it. It was on my list for today.

**Diana**

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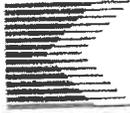
Diana,

Do you know if Wayne talked to Aaron Johnston in Columbus at the commerce department. If not don't worry about filling it out I found it on their website and I will do it my self. To save money on your time. We just got the bill for July and it was 1900.00 which is more than we expected. With no positive results. It seems like we are spinning our wheels here.

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Date	Inits	Description	Hours	Amount
06/05/18	WAB	Spoke to Attorney Watts concerning real estate issues of Charles Johnston. Spoke to Mr. Johnston for additional details and to get information concerning a conflict check.	0.30	54.00
06/07/18	WAB	Spoke with Client concerning issues and next steps to representation.	0.10	18.00
06/25/18	WAB	Spoke with Client concerning setting up meeting for later in the week, Set up meeting for Thursday, June 28 at 11:00 AM.	0.10	18.00
06/28/18	WAB	Met with Client to discuss issues and gameplan as to next steps.	2.40	432.00
06/29/18	GWV	Conference with Attorney Boyer.	0.50	110.00
<b>Total Professional Charges</b>				<b>632.00</b>
Total Fees				\$632.00
Total Expenses Advanced				\$0.00
<b>Invoice Total</b>				<b>\$632.00</b>

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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, August 29, 2018 8:38 AM  
**To:** Boyer, Wayne  
**Subject:** Johnston

Wayne,

Just checking to see if you have heard anything since we have the holiday coming up. Is your group off Monday as well? If so have a safe Labor day as the 101 days of summer wind down.

Charles

Subject: RE: Johnston

From: wboyer@kwgd.com

To: chas1j65@yahoo.com

Cc: gwatts@kwgd.com

Date: Wednesday, August 29, 2018, 11:37:55 AM EDT

We did receive a response earlier and, unfortunately, it is no better than the first. See below, and please let me know a time this afternoon or tomorrow morning that you and Susan would be available to discuss the next steps.

Greg,

Your letter misses the point of the sample MTD I sent you. The case law is clear: regardless of any alleged misrepresentations of the Seller on the RPDF (which, of course, are NOT admitted), the Buyer cannot prove the justifiable reliance element when the Buyer's contract was expressly contingent on a professional, pre-purchase home inspection. In addition, the Buyers made no additional inquiry post-inspection and pre-closing (so *Foust v. Valleybrook* does not apply). The Buyers could not have relied on any post-closing representations in their decision to purchase. In addition, *Foust* was a Sixth District case decided in 1981, whereas *Massa v. Genco* was an Eleventh District case decided in 1991, which is where the property is located. Neither *Massa* nor its progeny make any exception to the rule that there can be no justifiable reliance on alleged misrepresentations of the Seller where the contract was expressly contingent on a home inspection. Without that prima facie element, there is no liability for fraudulent misrepresentation.

In addition, there is no liability by BHHS, which neither owned the property nor represented your Buyers. Even *Foust* recognizes there is no fiduciary duty owed where your client was not represented by BHHS.

Your clients' revised demand of \$87,000 is rejected. Any claim filed against BHHS or its affiliated agents will, of course, be vigorously defended, including all remedies under Ohio Rev. Code § 2323.51 (given the clear legal doctrines of which you have been provided advance notice).

**Mark L. Rodio**

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readily apparent; on the contrary, they only arose once the first spring thaw occurred, months after Clients purchased the house.

Please note one large fact difference between the sample Motion to Dismiss that you attached to your August 13 email and the facts at hand. In the Motion to Dismiss, it is evident that the seller in that case indicated "yes" on the Disclosure as to whether there had been water intrusion affecting the house being sold. Therefore, the buyers were put on notice of a possible defect, and were not permitted to sit back and raise lack of expertise when a problem arose.

In this situation, Sellers affirmative stated "no" as to whether they had any knowledge of previous or current water leakage, accumulation, excess moisture, or other issues as it related to the property, including the basement:

D) WATER INTRUSION: Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

Owner's Initials RRR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Initials DR Date \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Initials O Date 10/18/17  
Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17

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Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to knowledge of water or moisture related damage as to floors, walls, or ceilings as a result of flooding, plumbing issues, or appliances:

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding; moisture seepage; moisture condensation; ice damming; sewer overflow/backup; or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

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Yes  No If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, alterations or modifications to control the cause or effect of any problem identified (but not longer than the past 5 years):

Therefore, unlike numerous cases that you cited in your motion to dismiss, Sellers affirmatively stated that they had no knowledge of any defects related to leaking in the basement, water-related damage to floors,

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**RE: Charles and Susan Johnston – Misrepresentation Issues Regarding Property at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047**

Dear Mr. Rodio:

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While we agree that the concept of *caveat emptor* applies to real estate purchases in Ohio, such that open and obvious defects cannot be the basis of a claim in an “as is” purchase situation, we disagree that the issues that Clients have encountered were “open and obvious” defects. Clients viewed all parts of the Real Estate, including the basement, in which the majority of the issues have been encountered, and did not observe any obvious indication that the basement had leaking issues. Furthermore, the certified appraiser who inspected the house for purposes of valuation for the loan process did not state that there were any issues in the basement. Home buyers are held to a standard of “comparison with ordinarily prudent persons of their station and experience confronted by the same or similar circumstances.” *Traverse v. Long* (1956), 165 Ohio St. 249, 59 O.O. 325, 135 N.E.2d 256. In this situation, the defects in the Real Estate were not

- Water issues in the basement stemming from a post issue;
- Flooding issues and quicksand on the property;
- Garbage left by Sellers;
- Chimney deterioration;
- Plumbing issues; and
- Walls caving in in the barn due to leaking issues and past inadequate repairs.

Clients have incurred numerous expenses related to these damages, and continue to incur expenses to repair new issues on a regular basis.

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Ruck, dated October 18, 2017 ("Agreement") related thereto. The purpose of this letter is to inform Mr. and Mrs. Ruck and Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty ("Berkshire Hathaway") of multiple misrepresentations contained in the Agreement and Residential Property Disclosure Form ("Disclosure") related to the Real Estate and to demand compensation for repairing numerous issues that arose as a direct result of those misrepresentations.

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- Do you know of any current leaks, backups or other material problems with the water supply system or quality of water?
- Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space?
- Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding, moisture condensation, ice damming, sewer overflow/backup, or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?
- Do you know of any previous or current problems or defects with the following existing mechanical systems: electrical, plumbing?
- Do you know of the previous or current presence of any of the below identified hazardous materials on the property: Lead-Based Paint?

Clients purchased the Real Estate from Sellers in December 2017. Prior to moving in, Clients were forced to repaint the barn located on the Real Estate due to the existence of lead-based paint, a condition that Sellers refused to remedy. Shortly after moving in, once snow began to melt in February 2018, Clients noticed water leaking in the basement through multiple walls. When Clients contacted Mr. Ruck concerning the leakage, Mr. Ruck responded by telling Clients that the leaks occur "all the time", and directed Clients to pull hydraulic cement from a pail already in the basement and place it on the leaks, and that "that usually fixes it."

To date, Clients have encountered numerous additional issues relating to the Real Estate, including:

- Electrical problems related to "hot wires" in attic stuffed into ventilation and other issues;
- Mold in the basement;
- Issues with the septic vent pipe;
- Poor wiring in the barn;
- Deteriorating cement walls;



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August 10, 2018

**VIA CERTIFIED MAIL,**  
**RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED**  
**AND REGULAR MAIL**

Dennis N. Ruck and R. Ann Peterson Ruck  
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Berkshire Hathaway  
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**RE: *Misrepresentations and Damages Incurred Therefrom Regarding Property at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047***

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Ruck:

Please be advised that the undersigned and Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A. represent Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston (hereinafter "Clients") with respect to their ownership in 28.25 acres, located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047 and identified as Parcel No. 290070001200 ("Real Estate") and the purchase agreement Clients entered into with Dennis Ruck and R. Ann Peterson

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I have photos showing the water coming thru walls in basement plus deteriorating wall to barn that weren't disclosed.

Attached will be copies of contract from Ohio State Waterproofing  
Legal Documents.  
Electric repair bill.  
Plumbing estimates.

I am a Disabled Vet 100% with limited income and have exhausted our savings to fix this house and to seek legal representation. We purchased this home to help with my PTSD and therapy and all i have had is grief from buying this property, if he would have disclosed this information we wouldn't have bought it. We have spent over \$25,000.00 since January 2018. I don't have the means to fight big corporation BHHS because they can tie it up in court and bankrupt you. This is why I am seeking your help in this matter.

Sincerely,

Charles and Susan Johnston  
2042 Stumpville rd.  
Jefferson Ohio, 44047

(817) 798-0845



**Department of Commerce**

Division of Real Estate & Professional Licensing  
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**REAL ESTATE COMPLAINT FORM**

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**COMPLAINT FORM INSTRUCTIONS**

1. Please fill in the form completely - type or print with blue or black ink. Sign the bottom of the form.
2. Furnish copies, not originals, of all transaction documents (i.e. agency disclosures, contracts, HUD Statement).
3. If you file a complaint, you should be willing to appear as a witness and testify under oath about the allegations.
4. Both you and the licensee(s) have an opportunity to participate in mediation to resolve differences. Mediation is confidential, completely voluntary, and is a shorter process compared to a formal investigation.
5. All complaints must be delivered to: **Ohio Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing, Enforcement Section, 77 S. High St., 20th Floor, Columbus, OH 43215-6133** or emailed to [webreal@com.state.oh.us](mailto:webreal@com.state.oh.us).

**COMPLAINANT INFORMATION (Identifies you as the Complainant)**

FIRST NAME Charles & Susan	MI W	LAST NAME Johnston	HOME PHONE 817-798-0845
HOME ADDRESS 2042 Stumpville Rd			STATE OHIO
CITY Jefferson			ZIP CODE 44047
BUSINESS ADDRESS RETIRED			BUSINESS PHONE
CITY			STATE
EMAIL ADDRESS chas1j65@yahoo.com			ZIP CODE
			MOBILE PHONE 817-798-0845

**NOTE:** This complaint will become public record. A copy will be given to the party against whom the complaint is filed. A person who files a complaint should be willing to appear as a witness, be sworn to testify, and be cross-examined concerning the allegations made in the complaint.

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Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**Fw: Charles Johnston Realestate complaint form 3rd email**

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**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**Subject:** Charles Johnston Realestate complaint form 3rd email

Attached is complaint form 5 pages let me know when you get this please.

Thank You,

Charles and Susan Johnston  
2042 Stumpville rd.  
Jefferson Oh. 44047

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## Fw: Realestate complaint form Charles Johnston 2nd email

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**Cc:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
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Here is the 2nd email with the other documents for this complaint call me and let me know if you get these please.

Thank You.

Charles and Susan Johnston  
2042 Stumpville rd.  
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Attached is the complaint forms, legal documentation, photos, bills, etc. Can you call me when you get this email to make sure you get everything. I will be sending two emails.

Thank You,

Charles and Susan Johnston  
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**Cc:** Watts, Greg <gwatts@kwgd.com>; Boyer, Wayne <wboyer@kwgd.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 30, 2018, 02:27:13 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Status of Research

The attached correspondence is sent on behalf of Gregory W. Watts, Esq. (gwatts@kwgd.com). Thank you.

Sandi Carmichael

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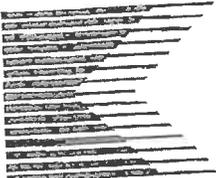
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July 30, 2018

VIA EMAIL ([chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com); [jabbersue71@yahoo.com](mailto:jabbersue71@yahoo.com))

Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston  
2042 Stumpville Road  
Jefferson, OH 44047

**RE: Update Regarding Status of Research Related to Nondisclosure Issues and  
Litigation Retention Letter**

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Johnston:

I am writing to update you regarding the status of our legal research related to the issues you are encountering at your residence, located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047 and identified as Parcel No. 290070001200 ("Real Estate") and the purchase agreement you entered into with Dennis Ruck, dated October 18, 2017 ("Agreement") related thereto. Below, we have summarized the facts as we understand them, the relevant statutes and case law that are applicable to the situation, and possible routes moving forward. Once you have reviewed everything, and to the extent you have questions, please do not hesitate to contact me to discuss the same, and we will set up a meeting to discuss the next steps moving forward.

**Relevant Factual History**

On October 18, 2017, you entered into the Agreement with Dennis Ruck (a realtor) and R. Ann Peterson Ruck ("Sellers") concerning the Real Estate. Line 8 of the Agreement contains the following language "[t]he property, which Buyer accepts in its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION . . ." In the Waiver paragraph, beginning on Line 153 of the Agreement, you agreed to waive all inspections except as to a general home inspection and an inspection of the septic system. The Condition of Property paragraph, beginning on Line 228 of the Agreement, contains the following language:

BUYER has examined the property and agrees that the property is being purchased in its "AS IS" PRESENT PHYSICAL CONDITION including any defects disclosed by the SELLER on the State of Ohio Residential Property Disclosure Form or identified by any inspections requested by either party. . . BUYER has not relied upon any representations, warranties or statements about the property (including but not limited to its condition of use) unless otherwise disclosed on this AGREEMENT or on the Residential Property Disclosure Form.

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Sellers provided you with a Residential Property Disclosure Form ("Disclosure"), which you acknowledged the receipt of on October 18, 2017. In the Disclosure, Sellers checked the "No" box regarding the following questions:

- Do you know of any current leaks, backups or other material problems with the water supply system or quality of water?
- Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space?
- Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding, moisture condensation, ice damming, sewer overflow/backup, or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?
- Do you know of any previous or current problems or defects with the following existing mechanical systems: electrical, plumbing?
- Do you know of the previous or current presence of any of the below identified hazardous materials on the property: Lead-Based Paint?

The appraisal that you received from the United States Department of Veterans Affairs ("VA") dated December 4, 2017 ("Appraisal") indicated the following issues regarding the Real Estate:

- Electrical: Exposed wiring in the basement, open work box in the garage, and an outlet in the bathroom that needed replaced.
- Defective Paint Surfaces: Multiple areas of chipped, peeling and missing paint noted on exterior of home, windows, and barn. All areas need to be repaired.
- Other Repair Items: Needed hand rails on all stairwells, missing railings on deck, and loose siding.

Subsequent to the issuance of all the reports, you purchased the home from the Sellers in December 2017. Prior to moving in, you repainted the barn due to Sellers' refusal to paint. Shortly after moving in, once snow began to melt, you noted water leaking in the basement through multiple walls. When you contacted the Sellers concerning the leakage, Sellers responded by telling you that the leaks occur "all the time", and directed you to pull hydraulic cement from a pail already in the basement and place it on the leaks, and that "that usually fixes it."

To date, you have encountered numerous issues surrounding the Real Estate, including:

- Electrical problems related to "hot wires" in attic stuffed into ventilation and other issues;
- Mold in the basement;

- Issues with the septic vent pipe;
- Poor wiring in the barn;
- Deteriorating cement walls;
- Water issues in the basement stemming from a post issue;
- Flooding issues and quicksand on the property;
- Garbage left by Sellers;
- Chimney deterioration;
- Plumbing issues; and
- Walls caving in in the garage

To date, you have supplied the following bills and estimates related to repairs:

- \$3,692.74 for paint related to the barn;
- \$25,200.00 for repair of the basement and foundation related to the water issues;
- \$2,950.00 for plumbing repairs;
- \$3,880.00 for electrical repairs (including \$2,350.00 due to the need to move the electrical panel in the wall in the basement because of flooding issues);
- \$56,211.00 due to needed barn repairs; and
- \$14,000.00 for garage repairs.

### Case Law and Statutes

In Ohio, purchasing a property "AS IS" relieves the seller from multiple duties related to the disclosure of information. The concept of *caveat emptor* ("let the buyer beware") precludes recovery in an action by a purchaser for a structural defect in real estate when: 1) the condition complained of is open to observation or discoverable upon reasonable inspection; 2) the purchaser had the unimpeded opportunity to examine the premises; and 3) there is no fraud on the part of the vendor. *Layman v. Binns* (1988), 35 Ohio St.3d 176. To avoid the application of *caveat emptor*, the buyer must first show that the condition complained of was not openly observable at the time of purchase (in other words, a latent defect). *Dupler v. Schwager*, 2003 WL 22429101, 2003-Ohio-5726 (2nd Dist. 2003).



Realtors, however, are held to a higher standard than homeowners. A realtor has a duty to disclose facts known to them in a timely manner. *Beck v. Sluss Realty Co.*, 1987 WL 12519 (5th Dist. App. 1987). That duty extends to require a realtor not to actively conceal a latent defect contained within a parcel of residential real estate. *Bedwell v. Schmitt*, 2002 WL 31813019, 2002-Ohio-6909 (11th Dist. App. 2002). Buyers are entitled to rely upon the representations of the realtor because of the fiduciary nature of the relationship. *Foust v. Valleybrook Realty*, 1981 WL 401639 (6th Dist. App. 1981).

There are three types of fraud related to real estate transactions: fraudulent misrepresentation, fraudulent concealment, and fraudulent nondisclosure. *Dennison v. Koba*, 86 Ohio App.3d 605, 621 N.E.2d 734 (9th Dist. App. 1993). When property is accepted in an "as is" condition, the seller is relieved of any duty to disclose. A claim of fraudulent nondisclosure cannot be maintained as a matter of law. *Id.* However, an "AS IS" clause cannot be relied upon to bar a claim for fraudulent misrepresentation of fraudulent concealment. *Kaye v. Buehrle*, 8 Ohio App.3d 381, 457 N.E.2d 373 (9th Dist. App. 1983). A party to a transaction is liable to the other for fraudulent concealment if he "by concealment or other action intentionally prevents the other from acquiring material information." *Id.*

There are six elements of a fraudulent misrepresentation claim (*Gaines v. Preterm-Cleveland, Inc.* (1987), 33 Ohio St.3d 54, 55, 514 N.E.2d 709):

- Representation or, when duty to disclose, concealment of fact;
- Which is material to the transaction at hand;
- Made falsely, with knowledge of its falsity, or with such utter disregard and recklessness as to whether it is true or false that knowledge may be inferred;
- With the intent of misleading another into relying upon it;
- Justifiable reliance upon the representation or concealment; and
- Resulting injury proximately caused by the reliance.

In regards to damages, a seller under a duty to disclose facts and failing to do so will be liable for damages directly and proximately resulting from his silence. *Miles v. McSwegin* (1979), 58 Ohio St.2d 97, 388 N.E.2d 1367. Damages are determined to be those suffered as proximate result of fraudulent conduct, in amount of actual costs to repair and bring building up to code. *Voros v. Piechuta*, 1987 WL 7892 (8th Dist. Ct. App. 1987).

Ohio Revised Code Section 4735.12 deals with the state's real estate recovery fund related to complaints involving real estate brokers. It states, in pertinent part:

(B)(1) Any person who obtains a final judgment in any court of competent jurisdiction against any broker or salesperson licensed under this chapter, on the grounds of conduct that is in violation of this chapter or the rules adopted under it, and that is associated with an act or transaction that only a licensed



real estate broker or licensed real estate salesperson is authorized to perform as specified in division (A) or (C) of section 4735.01 of the Revised Code, may file a verified application, as described in division (B)(3) of this section, in the court of common pleas of Franklin county for an order directing payment out of the real estate recovery fund of the portion of the judgment that remains unpaid and that represents the actual and direct loss sustained by the applicant.

### **Analysis and Moving Forward**

Unfortunately, as we have previously discussed, a number of issues related to the property appear to be non-recoverable due to your purchase of the property "AS IS", due to those issues being open and obvious, or due to your knowledge of the issues prior to purchasing the property. Based on the Appraisal and discussion with the Seller prior to purchase, you were aware of the need to paint the barn in order to get your VA loan. As you proceeded with the purchase, it is likely that the expenditures for the paint could not be recovered in any action against the Sellers and Berkshire Hathaway. Based on the Real Estate being purchased "AS IS", and no affirmative statements being made as to the Sellers as to the barn and garage, it is unlikely that any repairs related to the barn and the garage could be recovered.

In relation to the electrical and plumbing work, in order to recover any damages related to the electrical and plumbing, you would have to prove that Sellers were aware of (or should have been aware of) the electrical and plumbing issues at the time of the sale and concealed the issues. Proving actual or constructive knowledge of these defects would be difficult to do, as Sellers would likely claim to have no knowledge of them and the burden would be on you to prove otherwise. However, there is always a possibility that you could discover facts which are favorable on this issue.

There appears to be a stronger claim as to the leaking issues in the basement. Sellers stated on the Disclosure that they were without knowledge of any leaking or water damage related to the Real Estate. However, after the leaking began occurring, Sellers' statement of using the hydraulic cement "typically stops" the leaking, coupled with the existence of the pail of hydraulic cement in the basement at purchase, seems to indicate that Sellers were previously aware of the leaking issues. Should you prove all six factors of the *Gaines* test for fraudulent misrepresentation related to those statements, you would then need to prove damages that were actually and proximately caused by those misrepresentations. Based on the estimates you have received, it appears that the estimate related to the basement leaking issues and the electrical issues caused by the leak would be related to the misrepresentations about the leaking basement. Accordingly, you could ask for those damages, totaling \$27,550.00, as being actually and proximately caused by Sellers' statements.

In addition, should any potential action reach the point of a jury trial, you could ask for punitive damages and attorney fees at the trial. However, punitive damages are not mandatory, as a jury would have to decide whether they were applicable to this set of facts. Likewise, there is no guarantee that attorney fees would be recoverable. Additionally, we emphasize that there is no guarantee of any recovery at trial, as it is possible that a jury could find that you were aware or should have been aware of the basement leaking issues, based on the appearance of the walls, the fact that the home is nearly two hundred years old, and the presence of

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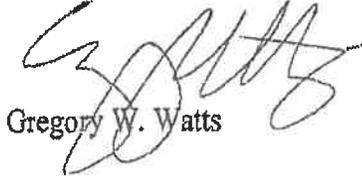
the pail of hydraulic cement in the basement. There is always an inherent risk that a jury will not find in your favor.

Moving forward, there are two main avenues that you could pursue. First, you could pursue litigation. If you choose to pursue litigation with us, we will need you to execute the attached litigation retention agreement and make an initial deposit of \$5,000.00 in order to cover the initial costs of preparing and filing a complaint. Please keep in mind that litigation is expensive, and fees and costs could reach upwards of \$20,000.00 or more. In the alternative, we could write a demand letter to Sellers and Berkshire Hathaway, detailing the expenses and the alleged misrepresentations and making a demand for a certain amount of damages. You previously indicated your reluctance to submit a demand letter to Sellers, but it remains an option nonetheless.

Once you have reviewed everything, please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.

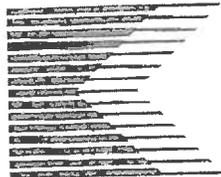


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July 30, 2018

Charles W. Johnston  
Susan L. Johnston  
2042 Stumpville Rd.  
Jefferson, OH 44047

**RE: Retention Letter**

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Johnston:

Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A. ("Krugliak") appreciates your request to provide you with legal services in connection with representing you in the lawsuit to be filed by you regarding fraudulent misrepresentation of a real estate transaction ("Representation").

Please provide a **\$5,000.00 initial deposit** to our office to assist in covering court costs.

1. **RETENTION.** The services to be provided by Krugliak are limited to the Representation and any other legal matters will only be undertaken by Krugliak upon written approval and a separate signed fee agreement. Client retains the law firm, not any particular attorney. Client understands that while one attorney will be primarily responsible for the conduct of Client's case, the firm uses a team approach. Attorneys, other than the primary attorney, and assistants will be given assignments relating to Client's case when appropriate, and Client will be responsible for all such fees. Client understands the Representation does not include tax advice and Client is encouraged to retain a certified public accountant for any tax advice, guidance and/or opinions. The representation does not include Krugliak issuing any title opinions, certificates of title, insurance or any other legal opinion guaranteeing or insuring title/ownership to mineral rights or the ability or lack thereof to lease mineral rights.
2. **FEES AND COSTS.** Krugliak's fee for legal services in this matter will be based on its hourly rates. Krugliak's standard hourly rates range from \$165 to \$300 per hour. Attorney Gregory Watts' hourly rate is **\$220.00 per hour**. Paralegal rates range from \$75 to \$150 per hour. These hourly rates will apply to all tasks performed by the attorneys and paralegals. Discussions, telephone calls and emails with attorneys and paralegals will be billed. We also bill for long distance telephone charges, fax fees, and copying fees. Time is billed in increments of one-tenth of an hour, with all entries rounded up to the nearest tenth. Client hereby agrees and understands that Krugliak adjusts its billing rates as



of December 1 of each year to recognize advancement in Krugliak's knowledge or experience, and/or to reflect increases in costs associated with the performance of legal services.

Krugliak may advance costs and expenses not to exceed \$500.00 and bill Client for reimbursement of costs and expenses, or Krugliak may request the advance of reasonable and foreseeable costs and expenses before incurring them, at Krugliak's option.

3. **STAFFING:** Other professional and staff of Krugliak, other than the undersigned attorney, may be utilized as is necessary considering factors such as expertise and cost effectiveness. If at any time you have any questions, concerns, or comments about the legal services being provided, Krugliak would ask that you contact the undersigned attorney directly so that these concerns or questions can be discussed.
4. **TOTAL FEES AND COSTS.** Total fees and costs **cannot be estimated**. Costs vary widely and are dependent upon the action taken by the other party as well as the nature and complexity of the issues. Client acknowledges that Krugliak has made no promises about the total attorney fees or costs to be incurred by Client under this agreement.
5. **BILLING.** Invoices will be sent on a monthly basis. These invoices are due and payable upon receipt. If any invoice amount is outstanding for more than ninety (90) days, Krugliak reserves the right to cease performing services for you.
6. **DISCHARGE OF ATTORNEY.** Client may discharge Krugliak at any time by written notice effective when received by Krugliak. Unless specifically agreed by Krugliak and Client, Krugliak will provide no further services and advance no further costs on Client's behalf after receipt of the notice. If Krugliak is Client's attorney of record in any proceeding, Client will execute and return a substitution of attorney form immediately on its receipt from Krugliak. Notwithstanding the discharge, Client will remain obligated to pay Krugliak as agreed for all services provided and to reimburse Krugliak for all costs advanced before the discharge.
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8. **RESULTS.** Although Krugliak may offer an opinion about possible results regarding the Representation, Krugliak cannot guarantee any particular result. Client acknowledges that Krugliak has made no promises about the outcome of the litigation and that any opinion offered by Krugliak in the future will not constitute a guarantee.

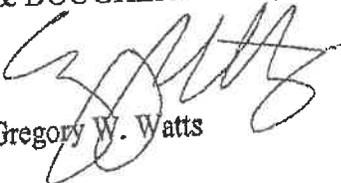


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10. **FILE RETENTION.** At the conclusion of the Representation, we will return any valuable property entrusted to us. Krugliak will store the entire balance of the file for at least four (4) years. After four (4) years, unless you make other arrangements and pick up the file, the file may be disposed of in a regular course of business consistent with maintaining the confidentiality of its contents.

All work performed by Krugliak will be subject to the above terms and conditions. If you have any questions or concerns please contact us prior to our engaging in the Representation so that we can clarify any concerns you may have.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.



Gregory W. Watts

GWW/dlt

The undersigned has read and agrees to be bound by the above terms and conditions.

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(Signature)

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**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 10:08 PM

here are letters that can help the case from previous lawyer

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**From:** Boyer, Wayne <wboyer@kwgd.com>  
**To:** 'Charles Johnston' <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2018, 01:29:23 PM EDT  
**Subject:** RE: RE: RE: Email

Charles,

Here's our draft letter response. Assuming that you're ok with everything contained within, we're going to get it sent out today. Let me know your thoughts. Thanks!

**Wayne A. Boyer**  
*Attorney at Law*

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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2018 10:42 AM  
**To:** Boyer, Wayne  
**Subject:** Re: RE: RE: Email

Ok, Thanks for letting me know.

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On Thursday, August 23, 2018, 10:26:49 AM EDT, Boyer, Wayne <wboyer@kwgd.com> wrote:

No sir, we will send it to opposing counsel via the email he provided.

**Wayne A. Boyer**  
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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, August 23, 2018 10:20 AM  
**To:** Boyer, Wayne  
**Subject:** Re: RE: Email

Are you sending it certified mail again? Also if they come back with another letter denying it again then the price goes up. We mean business no time for games. I will be in Cleveland today and I will keep an eye out for it. Thanks

On Thursday, August 23, 2018, 7:53:12 AM EDT, Boyer, Wayne <wboyer@kwgd.com> wrote:

Charles,

After Greg and I discussed our potential response, we decided that another formal letter addressing their allegations would be best. I'll get you a draft hopefully by the end of the day today.

9/30/21, 10:54 AM

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**Sent:** Wednesday, August 22, 2018 10:08 AM  
**To:** Boyer, Wayne  
**Subject:** Email

Wayne,

Good Morning Wayne. Wanted to check the status on the email, haven't gotten anything yet. Let us know.

Thanks,

Charles



**LETTER. Response to Mark Rodio re. August 13 email (02083210-2).docx**  
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Wayne A. Boyer, Esq.  
Direct Line: 330-244-2365  
wboyer@kwgd.com

August 23, 2018

Mark L. Rodio  
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Cleveland, Ohio 44114  
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**RE: Charles and Susan Johnston – Misrepresentation Issues Regarding Property at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047**

Dear Mr. Rodio:

As you are aware, the undersigned and Krugliak, Wilkins, Griffiths & Dougherty Co., L.P.A. represent Charles W. Johnston and Susan L. Johnston (hereinafter "Clients") with respect to their ownership in 28.25 acres, located at 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, Ohio 44047 and identified as Parcel No. 290070001200 ("Real Estate") and the purchase agreement Clients entered into with Dennis Ruck and R. Ann Peterson Ruck ("Sellers"), dated October 18, 2017 ("Agreement") related thereto. I am writing in response to your email dated August 13, 2018, in which you detailed numerous reasons why you believe that Sellers and Berkshire Hathaway HomeServices Professional Realty ("BHHS") are not liable for damages incurred by Clients as a direct result of Sellers' misrepresentations contained in the Agreement and Residential Property Disclosure Form ("Disclosure") related to the Real Estate. The purpose of this letter is to address your statements in the August 13 email and sample Motion to Dismiss attached to the email.

While we agree that the concept of *caveat emptor* applies to real estate purchases in Ohio, such that open and obvious defects cannot be the basis of a claim in an "as is" purchase situation, we disagree that the issues that Clients have encountered were "open and obvious" defects. Clients viewed all parts of the Real Estate, including the basement, in which the majority of the issues have been encountered, and did not observe any obvious indication that the basement had leaking issues. Furthermore, the certified appraiser who inspected the house for purposes of valuation for the loan process did not state that there were any issues in the basement. Home buyers are held to a standard of "comparison with ordinarily prudent persons of their station and experience confronted by the same or similar circumstances." *Traverse v. Long* (1956), 165 Ohio St. 249, 59 O.O. 325, 135 N.E.2d 256. In this situation, the defects in the Real Estate were not readily apparent; on the contrary, they only arose once the first spring thaw occurred, months after Clients purchased the house.

Please note one large fact difference between the sample Motion to Dismiss that you attached to your August 13 email and the facts at hand. In the Motion to Dismiss, it is evident that the seller in that case

indicated "yes" on the Disclosure as to whether there had been water intrusion affecting the house being sold. Therefore, the buyers were put on notice of a possible defect, and were not permitted to sit back and raise lack of expertise when a problem arose.

In this situation, Sellers affirmative stated "no" as to whether they had any knowledge of previous or current water leakage, accumulation, excess moisture, or other issues as it related to the property, including the basement:

D) WATER INTRUSION: Do you know of any previous or current water leakage, water accumulation, excess moisture or other defects to the property, including but not limited to any area below grade, basement or crawl space?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

Owner's Initials RRR Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Owner's Initials RRR Date \_\_\_\_\_

Purchaser's Initials 0 Date 10/18/17  
Purchaser's Initials SLJ Date 10/18/17

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Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to knowledge of water or moisture related damage as to floors, walls, or ceilings as a result of flooding, plumbing issues, or appliances:

Property Address 2042 Stumpville Road, Jefferson, OH 44047

Do you know of any water or moisture related damage to floors, walls or ceilings as a result of flooding; moisture seepage; moisture condensation; ice damming; sewer overflow/backlog; or leaking pipes, plumbing fixtures, or appliances?  Yes  No  
If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs completed:

Sellers affirmatively stated "no" as to whether they knew of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks or settling, or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or any interior/exterior walls:

E) STRUCTURAL COMPONENTS (FOUNDATION, BASEMENT/CRAWL SPACE, FLOORS, INTERIOR AND EXTERIOR WALLS): Do you know of any previous or current movement, shifting, deterioration, material cracks/settling (other than visible minor cracks or blemishes) or other material problems with the foundation, basement/crawl space, floors, or interior/exterior walls?  
 Yes  No If "Yes", please describe and indicate any repairs, alterations or modifications to control the cause or effect of any problem identified (but not longer than the past 5 years):

Therefore, unlike numerous cases that you cited in your motion to dismiss, Sellers affirmatively stated that they had no knowledge of any defects related to leaking in the basement, water-related damage to floors, walls, or ceilings, and wall deterioration. Please remember that, when Clients called Mr. Ruck in February 2018 about various leaking issues in the basement, Mr. Ruck directed Clients to a pail of hydraulic cement that was already located in the basement and stated that rubbing the hydraulic cement on the affected areas "usually fixes it." Sellers obviously: a) knew about the leaking issues in the basement well before the sale, since they already had a bucket of material located in the basement to mitigate the problem; and b) the leaking had occurred on multiple occasions during Sellers' ownership of the Real Estate, since the hydraulic cement "usually" fixed the problem of leaking.

These affirmative statements were clear misrepresentations on the part of Sellers that were material to the sale of the Real Estate, as Sellers were in the best position to disclose any issues they knew of concerning the Real Estate and failed to do so, leading to Clients purchasing the Real Estate. Clients are not real estate brokers or house experts, and did not see any open and discoverable issues affecting the basement, walls, ceiling, and chimney. The leaking issues have led to the discovery of numerous additional discovered hidden issues related to the electrical wiring (the main fuse box/electrical panel for the home is located on a wall that is affected by the leaking) as well as plumbing issues that were hidden due to past repairs.

Furthermore, *caveat emptor* does not bar a purchaser's fraud claim in situations where a purchaser's duty of inspection is terminated upon a seller's knowing and material misrepresentations in response to a purchaser's inquiry. See *Foust v. Valleybrook Realty Co.* (1981), 4 Ohio App.3d 164, 446 N.E.2d 1122; see also *Tuckerman v. Doles* (June 13, 1990), Montgomery App No. 11926, 1990 WL 80563 (a purchaser is entitled to rely on the affirmative representations of the perpetrator of a fraud and need not prove justifiable reliance if a representation is reasonable on its face). In determining whether reliance is justifiable, courts consider items such as the nature of the transaction, the form and materiality of the representation, the relationship of the parties, the respective intelligence, experience, age, and mental and physical condition of the parties, and their respective knowledge and means of knowledge. *Finomore v. Epstein* (1984), 18 Ohio App.3d 88, 481 N.E.2d 1193.

In the present situation, Sellers were in a much better position to determine the state of the home and the materiality of the defects than Clients. Mr. Ruck was the owner of the Real Estate and had been for decades, and further has decades of experience as a realtor in the area. He, of all people, is well aware of the materiality of water leakage as it affects basements in Northeast Ohio and knows the purpose of the Disclosure forms and the part they play in real estate transactions. Furthermore, he had access, as the owner of the Real Estate, to decades' worth of information concerning the home, where Clients, who were moving to Ohio from Texas, had very little knowledge as to the state of basements in Ohio and were relying on the Disclosure and Mr. Ruck to inform them of any issues related thereto. Having superior knowledge of the condition of a system of a home and misrepresenting the same relieved Clients of the duty to inspect and prevented Sellers from hiding behind an "as is" clause to avoid liability for fraudulent misrepresentation. See *Brewer v. Brothers*, 82 Ohio App.3d 148, 611 N.E.2d 492.

As a direct result of the affirmative misrepresentations by Sellers, Clients have incurred the following damages:

- \$25,700.00 for repair of the basement and foundation related to the water issues;
- \$2,950.00 for plumbing repairs related to leaking issues;
- \$3,880.00 for electrical repairs (including \$2,350.00 due to the need to move the electrical panel in the wall in the basement because of flooding issues);
- \$56,211.00 due to needed barn repairs related to leaking and the removal of several supports by Sellers; and

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- \$14,000.00 for garage repairs due to water leakage surrounding a support beam.

As detailed above, Sellers cannot hide behind the concepts of *caveat emptor* and “as is” to avoid liability for their affirmative misrepresentations concerning the nature of the Real Estate. However, in an interest to settle this dispute and avoid litigation, Sellers will lower their demand to \$87,000.00 for the numerous misrepresentations and resulting damages, attorneys’ fees, and aggravation caused by Sellers’ and BHHS’ actions. Please respond within the next ten (10) calendar days.

Please do not hesitate to contact our office should you have any questions or concerns, or if you need anything further.

Very truly yours,

KRUGLIAK, WILKINS, GRIFFITHS  
& DOUGHERTY CO., L.P.A.

Wayne A. Boyer  
WAB

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Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

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**Fw: Estimate attached**

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Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 9:53 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

This is plumbing violations that have been fixed since we moved in

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**From:** Service Tom Schaefer Plumbing <service@tsphvac.com>  
**To:** "chas1j65@yahoo.com" <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Monday, July 16, 2018, 03:16:07 PM EDT  
**Subject:** Estimate attached

Attached is our proposal for 2042 Stumpville Rd. Please let us know if you need anything further.

Thanks,

Sue Andrews  
Service Manager

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Service  
Tom Schaefer Plumbing Heating & Cooling

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Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Appraisal**

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Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 9:52 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
To: Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

This was the appraisal on the house, if you look the appraiser said we had a sump pump. the house did not get a sump pump installed until we waterproofed the basement in 2018.

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**From:** Ben Choi <ben@veteransunited.com>  
**To:** chas1j65@yahoo.com <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Wednesday, July 11, 2018, 11:39:22 AM EDT  
**Subject:** Appraisal

Here you go!



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3. Once we receive the final inspection report from the appraiser, we will authorize the release of the held funds to the appropriate party.

If you have any questions or issues along the way, please feel free to contact me. I am here to help you!

Thank you!!



**Jodi Taylor**

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**From:** Charles Johnston [<mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com>]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 8:54 PM  
**To:** Jodi Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Barnes

Jodi, I have a question who said the final inspection was done can you send me that info? Or call me on the 28 february. thanks. Charles

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**From:** Jodi Taylor <[Jodi.Taylor@veteransunited.com](mailto:Jodi.Taylor@veteransunited.com)>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <[chas1j65@yahoo.com](mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com)>  
**Sent:** Tuesday, February 27, 2018 2:09 PM  
**Subject:** RE: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Barnes

Hello,

We have the final inspection showing the painting is complete ☺ I am still in need of the final invoice and contractor's W9 form in order to disburse the funds to have everyone paid.

Can you provide this to me? Or let me know who to follow up with for it?

Thanks a bunch!

Jodi

**Jodi Taylor**  
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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 5:59 PM  
**To:** Jodi Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Barnes

We have 120 days if weather permitting we had about a ft of snow sine 24 Dec expecting more and temps for the high are 14 i will let you know when it is safe to do the work.

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**From:** Jodi Taylor <Jodi.Taylor@veteransunited.com>  
**To:** "chas1j65@yahoo.com" <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017 5:20 PM  
**Subject:** Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Barnes

Dear Matthew:

Thank you for choosing Veterans United Home Loans for your mortgage needs. I will be your contact person to assist you with anything related to the Escrow Holdback.

Your home loan closed as an Escrow Holdback, in which funds are held in escrow for the completion of work related to the Escrow Holdback. Upon completion, the held funds will be released.

The work associated with your escrow holdback is for **painting the exterior of the home.**

We understand this process can be a bit confusing. Here is how the process will work from here:

1. Once the above mentioned work is completed, *please contact me.*
2. Once we confirm the work is complete, we will schedule a **final inspection** of the work with the appraiser.



Scott Lynch <scottlynch@lynch-lynch.com>

**Fw: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback**

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Tue, Sep 28, 2021 at 9:46 PM

**Charles Johnston** <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
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**From:** Jodi Taylor <jodi.taylor@veteransunited.com>  
**To:** Charles Johnston <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, March 15, 2018, 04:45:42 PM EDT  
**Subject:** RE: RE: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback

Wow! That is alarming.

Stay warm and safe and I will just plan to follow up in few weeks!



**Jodi Taylor**  
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**From:** Charles Johnston [mailto:chas1j65@yahoo.com]  
**Sent:** Wednesday, March 14, 2018 7:18 PM  
**To:** Jodi Taylor  
**Subject:** Re: RE: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback

We just had another 6 inches today of snow 18 inches on the ground not looking good here

On Wednesday, March 14, 2018, 4:44:45 PM EDT, Jodi Taylor <Jodi.Taylor@veteransunited.com> wrote:

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Hi Charles,

I just wanted to touch base to see how things are going. Has the weather improved enough for you to make any progress?

Jodi



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**From:** Jodi Taylor  
**Sent:** Wednesday, February 28, 2018 12:48 PM  
**To:** 'Charles Johnston'  
**Subject:** RE: Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback

Hi Charles, sorry for the confusion with this email. As mentioned on the phone it was meant for a different client.

Keep in touch with the painting needed on the garage.

Thank you!

**Jodi Taylor**

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**To:** chas1j65@yahoo.com <chas1j65@yahoo.com>  
**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017, 05:02:42 PM EST  
**Subject:** Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Johnston

Dear Charles:

Thank you for choosing Veterans United Home Loans for your mortgage needs. I will be your contact person to assist you with anything related to the Escrow Holdback.

Your home loan closed as an Escrow Holdback, in which funds are held in escrow for the completion of work related to the Escrow Holdback. Upon completion, the held funds will be released.

The work associated with your escrow holdback is for **scrape and pain the barn**.

We understand this process can be a bit confusing. Here is how the process will work from here:

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2. Once we confirm the work is complete, we will schedule a **final inspection** of the work with the appraiser.
3. Once we receive the final inspection report from the appraiser, we will authorize the release of the held funds to the appropriate party.

If you have any questions or issues along the way, please feel free to contact me. I am here to help you!

Thank you!!

**Jodi Taylor**

Closing Work Flow Coord., NMLS 1907

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**Sent:** Thursday, December 28, 2017, 05:20:26 PM EST  
**Subject:** Veterans United Home Loans - Escrow Holdback - Barnes

Dear Matthew:

Thank you for choosing Veterans United Home Loans for your mortgage needs. I will be your contact person to assist you with anything related to the Escrow Holdback.

Your home loan closed as an Escrow Holdback, in which funds are held in escrow for the completion of work related to the Escrow Holdback. Upon completion, the held funds will be released.

The work associated with your escrow holdback is for **painting the exterior of the home.**

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Borrower	Charles Johnston					
Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd		County	Ashtabula	State	OH Zip Code 44047
City	Jefferson					
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA					

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The purpose of this summary appraisal report is to provide the lender/client with an accurate, and adequately supported, opinion of the market value of the subject property.

Property Address **2042 Stumpville Rd** City **Jefferson** State **OH** Zip Code **44047**  
 Borrower **Charles Johnston** Owner of Public Record **Dennis N. Ruck** County **Ashtabula**

Legal Description **2 S CAUV # 1812**  
 Assessor's Parcel # **290070001200** Tax Year **2016** R.E. Taxes \$ **2,320**

Neighborhood Name **Lenox Twp.** Map Reference **Ashtabula 22-B2** Census Tract **0011.01**  
 Occupant  Owner  Tenant  Vacant Special Assessments \$ **5** PUD  HOA \$ **0** per year  per month

Property Rights Appraised  Fee Simple  Leasehold  Other (describe)  
 Assignment Type  Purchase Transaction  Refinance Transaction  Other (describe)

Lender/Client **Veterans United Home Loans/VA** Address **1400 Veterans United Drive, Columbia, MO 65203-0000**  
 Is the subject property currently offered for sale or has it been offered for sale in the twelve months prior to the effective date of this appraisal?  Yes  No

Report data source(s) used, offering price(s), and date(s). **DOM 157; Per the NORMLS website, the subject is listed on 06/16/2017 for \$289,000 and reduced to \$284,000. MLS#3914701**

I did  I did not analyze the contract for sale for the subject purchase transaction. Explain the results of the analysis of the contract for sale or why the analysis was not performed. **Arms length sale; The original offer of \$284,000 on 10/18/2017 was accepted the same day.**

Contract Price \$ **284,000** Date of Contract **10/18/2017** Is the property seller the owner of public record?  Yes  No Data Source(s) Auditors Web Site  
 Is there any financial assistance (loan charges, sale concessions, gift or downpayment assistance, etc.) to be paid by any party on behalf of the borrower?  Yes  No  
 If Yes, report the total dollar amount and describe the items to be paid. \$0;

Note: Race and the racial composition of the neighborhood are not appraisal factors.

Neighborhood Characteristics		One-Unit Housing Trends		One-Unit Housing		Present Land Use %
Location <input type="checkbox"/> Urban <input type="checkbox"/> Suburban <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Rural	Property Values <input type="checkbox"/> Increasing <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Declining	PRICE	AGE	One-Unit	75 %	
Built-Up <input type="checkbox"/> Over 75% <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 25-75% <input type="checkbox"/> Under 25%	Demand/Supply <input type="checkbox"/> Shortage <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> In Balance <input type="checkbox"/> Over Supply	\$ (000)	(yrs)	2-4 Unit		
Growth <input type="checkbox"/> Rapid <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stable <input type="checkbox"/> Slow	Marketing Time <input type="checkbox"/> Under 3 mths <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 3-6 mths <input type="checkbox"/> Over 6 mths			Commercial		
Neighborhood Boundaries <b>Holcomb Road North, The Township Line West, Brockway Road South, and Rte 11 East.</b>		<b>450</b>	<b>High</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>Commercial</b>	<b>%</b>
Neighborhood Description <b>This area has a wide mix of property types and value. This area has some working farms, homes with larger tracts of land and vacant land. Local commercial support businesses are located to the Northeast in Jefferson. This area has average appeal in the market.</b>		<b>120</b>	<b>Pred.</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>Other</b>	<b>25 %</b>

There are no adverse conditions noted to affect marketability.  
 Market Conditions (including support for the above conclusions) **Property values are stable at present. The demand and supply appear to be in balance. Marketing time is 3 to 6 months, which is comparable to other competing nearby communities. V.A., F.H.A. and Conventional financing available in this area.**

Dimensions **494 x 2520/2508 x 449** Per Realist Area **28.25 ac** Shape **Rectangular** View **N,Res;**  
 Specific Zoning Classification **R-1** Zoning Description **Residential/Agricultural**  
 Zoning Compliance  Legal  Legal Nonconforming (Grandfathered Use)  No Zoning  Illegal (describe)  
 Is the highest and best use of subject property as improved (or as proposed per plans and specifications) the present use?  Yes  No If No, describe

Utilities **Public** Other (describe)  
 Electricity  100 AMP Water **Public** Other (describe) Off-site Improvements - Type **Public** Private  
 Gas  Well on Site Sanitary Sewer  Well  Septic Street **Asphalt** Alley **None**  
 FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area  Yes  No FEMA Flood Zone **X** FEMA Map # **39007C0285D** FEMA Map Date **12/18/2007**  
 Are the utilities and off-site improvements typical for the market area?  Yes  No If No, describe  
 Are there any adverse site conditions or external factors (easements, encroachments, environmental conditions, land uses, etc.)?  Yes  No If Yes, describe

General Description	Foundation	Exterior Description	materials/condition	Interior	materials/condition
Units <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> One <input type="checkbox"/> One with Accessory Unit	<input type="checkbox"/> Concrete Slab <input type="checkbox"/> Crawl Space	Foundation Walls	<b>Stone/Block/Average</b>	Floors	<b>Hdwd/Carpet/Good</b>
# of Stories <b>2</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Full Basement <input type="checkbox"/> Partial Basement	Exterior Walls	<b>Vinyl/Good</b>	Walls	<b>Plaster/Drywall/Good</b>
Type <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Det. <input type="checkbox"/> Att. <input type="checkbox"/> S-Det./End Unit	Basement Area <b>1,076 sq.ft.</b>	Roof Surface	<b>Asphalt/Shingl/Good</b>	Trim/Finish	<b>Oak/Good</b>
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Existing <input type="checkbox"/> Proposed <input type="checkbox"/> Under Const.	Basement Finish <b>0 %</b>	Gutters & Downspouts	<b>Aluminum/Good</b>	Bath Floor	<b>Ceramic/Good</b>
Design (Style) <b>Colonial</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Outside Entry/Exit <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump	Window Type	<b>Double Hung/Good</b>	Bath Wainscot	<b>Ceramic/Good</b>
Year Built <b>1825</b>	Evidence of <input type="checkbox"/> Infestation	Storm Sash/Insulated	<b>Vinyl/Therm/Good</b>	Car Storage	<input type="checkbox"/> None
Effective Age (Yrs) <b>30</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Dampness <input type="checkbox"/> Settlement	Screens	<b>Cloth/Good</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Driveway	<b># of Cars 8</b>
Attic <input type="checkbox"/> None	Heating <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> FWA <input type="checkbox"/> HWBB <input type="checkbox"/> Radiant	Amenities	<input type="checkbox"/> Woodstove(s) # <b>0</b>	Driveway Surface	<b>Gravel</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Drop Stair <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Stairs	<input type="checkbox"/> Other <input type="checkbox"/> Fuel Gas	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Fireplace(s) # <b>1</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Fence <b>None</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Garage	<b># of Cars 2</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Floor <input type="checkbox"/> Scuttle	Cooling <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Central Air Conditioning	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Patio/Deck <b>Rear</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Porch <b>Front</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Carport	<b># of Cars 0</b>
<input type="checkbox"/> Finished <input type="checkbox"/> Heated	<input type="checkbox"/> Individual <input type="checkbox"/> Other	<input type="checkbox"/> Pool <b>None</b>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other <b>Out Bldg</b>	<input type="checkbox"/> Att.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Det. <input type="checkbox"/> Built-in

Appliances  Refrigerator  Range/Oven  Dishwasher  Disposal  Microwave  Washer/Dryer  Other (describe)  
 Finished area above grade contains: **9 Rooms 4 Bedrooms 1.0 Bath(s) 2,464 Square Feet of Gross Living Area Above Grade**  
 Additional features (special energy efficient items, etc.). **Thermopane windows**

Describe the condition of the property (including needed repairs, deterioration, renovations, remodeling, etc.). **C3:Kitchen-remodeled-one to five years ago; Bathrooms-remodeled-less than one year ago; See attached addenda.**

Are there any physical deficiencies or adverse conditions that affect the livability, soundness, or structural integrity of the property?  Yes  No If Yes, describe

Does the property generally conform to the neighborhood (functional utility, style, condition, use, construction, etc.)?  Yes  No If No, describe

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There are 9 comparable properties currently offered for sale in the subject neighborhood ranging in price from \$ 244,900 to \$ 375,000		There are 8 comparable sales in the subject neighborhood within the past twelve months ranging in sale price from \$ 252,500 to \$ 335,000	
FEATURE	SUBJECT	COMPARABLE SALE # 1	COMPARABLE SALE # 2
Address	2042 Stumpville Rd Jefferson, OH 44047	4989 State Route 307 E Geneva, OH 44041	982 Mechanicsville Rd Rock Creek, OH 44084
Proximity to Subject		8.57 miles NW	6.70 miles NW
Sale Price	\$ 284,000	\$ 262,500	\$ 310,000
Sale Price/Gross Liv. Area	\$ 115.26 sq.ft.	\$ 124.17 sq.ft.	\$ 143.12 sq.ft.
Data Source(s)		Normls#3787367;DOM 1667	NORMLS#3876477;DOM 94
Verification Source(s)		Auditors website	Auditors Website/File
VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION +(-) \$ Adjustment	DESCRIPTION +(-) \$ Adjustment
Sales or Financing		Armlth	Armlth
Concessions		Cash;0	Conv;0
Date of Sale/Time		s11/16;Unk	s05/17;Unk
Location	N;Res;	N;Res;	N;Res;
Leasehold/Fee Simple	Fee Simple	Fee Simple	Fee Simple
Site	28.25 ac	2.35 ac	12.13 ac
View	N;Res;	N;Res;	N;Res;
Design (Style)	DT2;Colonial	DT2;Colonial	DT2;Colonial
Quality of Construction	Q3	Q3	Q3
Actual Age	192	177	18
Condition	C3	C2	C3
Above Grade	Total Bdrms. Baths	Total Bdrms. Baths	Total Bdrms. Baths
Room Count	9 4 1.0	7 4 2.1	6 3 2.1
Gross Living Area	2,464 sq.ft.	2,114 sq.ft.	2,166 sq.ft.
Basement & Finished Rooms Below Grade	1076sf0sfin	650sf0sfin	1131sf0sfin
Functional Utility	Average	Average	Average
Heating/Cooling	FWA/CAC	Bsbd/None	FWA/CAC
Energy Efficient Items	Therm Windows	Ins Windows	Therm Window
Garage/Carport	2qa8dw	2qa2dw	0 2qa6dw
Porch/Patio/Deck	Patio, Deck, Fp	Patio, Deck, Fp	Deck, Porch, Fp
Amenities	Barn 42x50	None	Out Bldg (4)
Original List Price	\$289,000	\$279,000	\$319,900
Net Adjustment (Total)		\$ 30,800	\$ -17,800
Adjusted Sale Price of Comparables		\$ 293,300	\$ 292,200

did  did not research the sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales. If not, explain

My research  did  did not reveal any prior sales or transfers of the subject property for the three years prior to the effective date of this appraisal.

Data Source(s) Ashtabula County Auditor's Website

My research  did  did not reveal any prior sales or transfers of the comparable sales for the year prior to the date of sale of the comparable sale.

Data Source(s) Ashtabula County Auditor's Website

Report the results of the research and analysis of the prior sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales (report additional prior sales on page 3).

ITEM	SUBJECT	COMPARABLE SALE #1	COMPARABLE SALE #2	COMPARABLE SALE #3
Date of Prior Sale/Transfer	01/13/2017			
Price of Prior Sale/Transfer	\$0			
Data Source(s)	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulCtyAuditor'sWbsite	AshtabulaCntyAuditorWbst
Effective Date of Data Source(s)	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017

Analysis of prior sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales All information for the subject and comparables was found on the Cuyahoga County Auditors website. The subject previous transfer was a survivorship deed. There are no previous sales in the past 12 months for the comparables listed.

Summary of Sales Comparison Approach See attached addenda.

Indicated Value by Sales Comparison Approach \$ 293,000  
 Indicated Value by: Sales Comparison Approach \$ 293,000 Cost Approach (if developed) \$ Income Approach (if developed) \$

The sales comparison approach carried the most weight in this report. The income approach was not utilized due to a lack of reliable rental data for similar homes in this area. The cost approach was not applicable for this assignment due to the subjects age and the difficulty in estimating accrued depreciation.

This appraisal is made  "as is",  subject to completion per plans and specifications on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the improvements have been completed,  subject to the following repairs or alterations on the basis of a hypothetical condition that the repairs or alterations have been completed, or  subject to the following required inspection based on the extraordinary assumption that the condition or deficiency does not require alteration or repair. This appraisal report is intended for use by Veterans United Home Loans/Veteran Affairs only. This report is not intended for any other use or user. Based on a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property, defined scope of work, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and appraiser's certification, my (our) opinion of the market value, as defined, of the real property that is the subject of this report is \$ 293,000, as of 11/27/2017, which is the date of inspection and the effective date of this appraisal.

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Deborah Dombrowski assisted appraiser with this report by typing information appraiser has provided, attaching photos, maps, mls information and auditors information for all listings and comparables.

The tax and special assessment amounts listed are an annual amount

Special assessments are for the 911 phone line

The appraiser has not performed an appraisal or any other service on the subject in the past three years.

There were no gas wells, oil wells or fracking present on or running through the subject property noted at the time of this inspection.

No purchaser or seller of the subject property nor any borrower are intended users of this appraisal and no such parties should use or rely on this appraisal for any purpose. All such parties are advised to consult with an appraiser or other professional of their own choosing.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS

The subject is a legally permissible use based on its current zoning. Also, the lot size, shape and land-to-building ratio allow the present structure and indicate a good utilization of the improvements. Based on current market conditions, the existing structure as a single family residence is its financially feasible and maximally productive use. The highest and best use, as if vacant, would be to construct a single family residence.

The subject exceeded the predominate value for the area but is within the overall range for this market, the subject is not an over improvement for this area.

### COST APPROACH TO VALUE (not required by Fannie Mae)

Provide adequate information for the lender/client to replicate the below cost figures and calculations.  
Support for the opinion of site value (summary of comparable land sales or other methods for estimating site value)

COST APPROACH

ESTIMATED <input type="checkbox"/> REPRODUCTION OR <input type="checkbox"/> REPLACEMENT COST NEW Source of cost data _____ Quality rating from cost service _____ Effective date of cost data _____ Comments on Cost Approach (gross living area calculations, depreciation, etc.) _____ The cost approach was not applicable due to the subjects age and the difficulty in estimating accrued depreciation. .	OPINION OF SITE VALUE _____ = \$ DWELLING Sq.Ft. @ \$ _____ = \$ Sq.Ft. @ \$ _____ = \$ Garage/Carport Sq.Ft. @ \$ _____ = \$ Total Estimate of Cost-New _____ = \$ Less Physical Functional External _____ Depreciation _____ = \$( _____ ) Depreciated Cost of Improvements _____ = \$ "As-is" Value of Site Improvements _____ = \$ Estimated Remaining Economic Life (HUD and VA only) 40 Years INDICATED VALUE BY COST APPROACH _____ = \$
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INCOME

Estimated Monthly Market Rent \$ _____ Summary of Income Approach (including support for market rent and GRM) _____	<b>INCOME APPROACH TO VALUE (not required by Fannie Mae)</b> X Gross Rent Multiplier _____ = \$ _____ Indicated Value by Income Approach
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PUD INFORMATION

**PROJECT INFORMATION FOR PUDs (if applicable)**

Is the developer/builder in control of the Homeowners' Association (HOA)?  Yes  No Unit type(s)  Detached  Attached  
 Provide the following information for PUDs ONLY if the developer/builder is in control of the HOA and the subject property is an attached dwelling unit.  
 Legal Name of Project \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of phases \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of units \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of units sold \_\_\_\_\_  
 Total number of units rented \_\_\_\_\_ Total number of units for sale \_\_\_\_\_ Data source(s) \_\_\_\_\_  
 Was the project created by the conversion of existing building(s) into a PUD?  Yes  No If Yes, date of conversion. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Does the project contain any multi-dwelling units?  Yes  No Data Source \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are the units, common elements, and recreation facilities complete?  Yes  No If No, describe the status of completion. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Are the common elements leased to or by the Homeowners' Association?  Yes  No If Yes, describe the rental terms and options. \_\_\_\_\_  
 Describe common elements and recreational facilities. \_\_\_\_\_

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This report form is designed to report an appraisal of a one-unit property or a one-unit property with an accessory unit, including a unit in a planned unit development (PUD). This report form is not designed to report an appraisal of a manufactured home or a unit in a condominium or cooperative project.

This appraisal report is subject to the following scope of work, intended use, intended user, definition of market value, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and certifications. Modifications, additions, or deletions to the intended use, intended user, definition of market value, or assumptions and limiting conditions are not permitted. The appraiser may expand the scope of work to include any additional research or analysis necessary based on the complexity of this appraisal assignment. Modifications or deletions to the certifications are also not permitted. However, additional certifications that do not constitute material alterations to this appraisal report, such as those required by law or those related to the appraiser's continuing education or membership in an appraisal organization, are permitted.

**SCOPE OF WORK:** The scope of work for this appraisal is defined by the complexity of this appraisal assignment and the reporting requirements of this appraisal report form, including the following definition of market value, statement of assumptions and limiting conditions, and certifications. The appraiser must, at a minimum: (1) perform a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property, (2) inspect the neighborhood, (3) inspect each of the comparable sales from at least the street, (4) research, verify, and analyze data from reliable public and/or private sources, and (5) report his or her analysis, opinions, and conclusions in this appraisal report.

**INTENDED USE:** The intended use of this appraisal report is for the lender/client to evaluate the property that is the subject of this appraisal for a mortgage finance transaction.

**INTENDED USER:** The intended user of this appraisal report is the lender/client.

**DEFINITION OF MARKET VALUE:** The most probable price which a property should bring in a competitive and open market under all conditions requisite to a fair sale, the buyer and seller, each acting prudently, knowledgeably and assuming the price is not affected by undue stimulus. Implicit in this definition is the consummation of a sale as of a specified date and the passing of title from seller to buyer under conditions whereby: (1) buyer and seller are typically motivated; (2) both parties are well informed or well advised, and each acting in what he or she considers his or her own best interest; (3) a reasonable time is allowed for exposure in the open market; (4) payment is made in terms of cash in U. S. dollars or in terms of financial arrangements comparable thereto; and (5) the price represents the normal consideration for the property sold unaffected by special or creative financing or sales concessions\* granted by anyone associated with the sale.

\*Adjustments to the comparables must be made for special or creative financing or sales concessions. No adjustments are necessary for those costs which are normally paid by sellers as a result of tradition or law in a market area; these costs are readily identifiable since the seller pays these costs in virtually all sales transactions. Special or creative financing adjustments can be made to the comparable property by comparisons to financing terms offered by a third party institutional lender that is not already involved in the property or transaction. Any adjustment should not be calculated on a mechanical dollar for dollar cost of the financing or concession but the dollar amount of any adjustment should approximate the market's reaction to the financing or concessions based on the appraiser's judgment.

**STATEMENT OF ASSUMPTIONS AND LIMITING CONDITIONS:** The appraiser's certification in this report is subject to the following assumptions and limiting conditions:

1. The appraiser will not be responsible for matters of a legal nature that affect either the property being appraised or the title to it, except for information that he or she became aware of during the research involved in performing this appraisal. The appraiser assumes that the title is good and marketable and will not render any opinions about the title.

2. The appraiser has provided a sketch in this appraisal report to show the approximate dimensions of the improvements. The sketch is included only to assist the reader in visualizing the property and understanding the appraiser's determination of its size.

3. The appraiser has examined the available flood maps that are provided by the Federal Emergency Management Agency (or other data sources) and has noted in this appraisal report whether any portion of the subject site is located in an identified Special Flood Hazard Area. Because the appraiser is not a surveyor, he or she makes no guarantees, express or implied, regarding this determination.

4. The appraiser will not give testimony or appear in court because he or she made an appraisal of the property in question, unless specific arrangements to do so have been made beforehand, or as otherwise required by law.

5. The appraiser has noted in this appraisal report any adverse conditions (such as needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, etc.) observed during the inspection of the subject property or that he or she became aware of during the research involved in performing the appraisal. Unless otherwise stated in this appraisal report, the appraiser has no knowledge of any hidden or unapparent physical deficiencies or adverse conditions of the property (such as, but not limited to, needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, adverse environmental conditions, etc.) that would make the property less valuable, and has assumed that there are no such conditions and makes no guarantees or warranties, express or implied. The appraiser will not be responsible for any such conditions that do exist or for any engineering or testing that might be required to discover whether such conditions exist. Because the appraiser is not an expert in the field of environmental hazards, this appraisal report must not be considered as an environmental assessment of the property.

6. The appraiser has based his or her appraisal report and valuation conclusion for an appraisal that is subject to satisfactory completion, repairs, or alterations on the assumption that the completion, repairs, or alterations of the subject property will be performed in a professional manner.

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**APPRAISER'S CERTIFICATION:** The Appraiser certifies and agrees that:

1. I have, at a minimum, developed and reported this appraisal in accordance with the scope of work requirements stated in this appraisal report.
2. I performed a complete visual inspection of the interior and exterior areas of the subject property. I reported the condition of the improvements in factual, specific terms. I identified and reported the physical deficiencies that could affect the livability, soundness, or structural integrity of the property.
3. I performed this appraisal in accordance with the requirements of the Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice that were adopted and promulgated by the Appraisal Standards Board of The Appraisal Foundation and that were in place at the time this appraisal report was prepared.
4. I developed my opinion of the market value of the real property that is the subject of this report based on the sales comparison approach to value. I have adequate comparable market data to develop a reliable sales comparison approach for this appraisal assignment. I further certify that I considered the cost and income approaches to value but did not develop them, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
5. I researched, verified, analyzed, and reported on any current agreement for sale for the subject property, any offering for sale of the subject property in the twelve months prior to the effective date of this appraisal, and the prior sales of the subject property for a minimum of three years prior to the effective date of this appraisal, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
6. I researched, verified, analyzed, and reported on the prior sales of the comparable sales for a minimum of one year prior to the date of sale of the comparable sale, unless otherwise indicated in this report.
7. I selected and used comparable sales that are locationally, physically, and functionally the most similar to the subject property.
8. I have not used comparable sales that were the result of combining a land sale with the contract purchase price of a home that has been built or will be built on the land.
9. I have reported adjustments to the comparable sales that reflect the market's reaction to the differences between the subject property and the comparable sales.
10. I verified, from a disinterested source, all information in this report that was provided by parties who have a financial interest in the sale or financing of the subject property.
11. I have knowledge and experience in appraising this type of property in this market area.
12. I am aware of, and have access to, the necessary and appropriate public and private data sources, such as multiple listing services, tax assessment records, public land records and other such data sources for the area in which the property is located.
13. I obtained the information, estimates, and opinions furnished by other parties and expressed in this appraisal report from reliable sources that I believe to be true and correct.
14. I have taken into consideration the factors that have an impact on value with respect to the subject neighborhood, subject property, and the proximity of the subject property to adverse influences in the development of my opinion of market value. I have noted in this appraisal report any adverse conditions (such as, but not limited to, needed repairs, deterioration, the presence of hazardous wastes, toxic substances, adverse environmental conditions, etc.) observed during the inspection of the subject property or that I became aware of during the research involved in performing this appraisal. I have considered these adverse conditions in my analysis of the property value, and have reported on the effect of the conditions on the value and marketability of the subject property.
15. I have not knowingly withheld any significant information from this appraisal report and, to the best of my knowledge, all statements and information in this appraisal report are true and correct.
16. I stated in this appraisal report my own personal, unbiased, and professional analysis, opinions, and conclusions, which are subject only to the assumptions and limiting conditions in this appraisal report.
17. I have no present or prospective interest in the property that is the subject of this report, and I have no present or prospective personal interest or bias with respect to the participants in the transaction. I did not base, either partially or completely, my analysis and/or opinion of market value in this appraisal report on the race, color, religion, sex, age, marital status, handicap, familial status, or national origin of either the prospective owners or occupants of the subject property or of the present owners or occupants of the properties in the vicinity of the subject property or on any other basis prohibited by law.
18. My employment and/or compensation for performing this appraisal or any future or anticipated appraisals was not conditioned on any agreement or understanding, written or otherwise, that I would report (or present analysis supporting) a predetermined specific value, a predetermined minimum value, a range or direction in value, a value that favors the cause of any party, or the attainment of a specific result or occurrence of a specific subsequent event (such as approval of a pending mortgage loan application).
19. I personally prepared all conclusions and opinions about the real estate that were set forth in this appraisal report. If I relied on significant real property appraisal assistance from any individual or individuals in the performance of this appraisal or the preparation of this appraisal report, I have named such individual(s) and disclosed the specific tasks performed in this appraisal report. I certify that any individual so named is qualified to perform the tasks. I have not authorized anyone to make a change to any item in this appraisal report; therefore, any change made to this appraisal is unauthorized and I will take no responsibility for it.
20. I identified the lender/client in this appraisal report who is the individual, organization, or agent for the organization that ordered and will receive this appraisal report.



## Additional Listings

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FEATURE	SUBJECT	LISTING # 1			LISTING # 2			LISTING # 3		
Address	2042 Stumpville Rd Jefferson, OH 44047	819 Lenox New Lyme Rd Jefferson, OH 44047			1475 Chapel Rd Jefferson, OH 44047					
Proximity to Subject		2.81 miles NE			4.88 miles N					
List Price	\$ 284,000	\$ 264,900			\$ 289,900					
List Price/Gross Liv. Area	\$ 115.26 sq.ft.	\$ 104.79 sq.ft.			\$ 119.60 sq.ft.			\$ sq.ft.		
Last Price Revision Date	Unknown	Unknown			Unknown					
Data Source(s)		Normis#3934956			Normis#3945906					
Verification Source(s)		Auditors Website			Auditors Website					
VALUE ADJUSTMENTS	DESCRIPTION	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjust.	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjust.	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjust.	DESCRIPTION	+(-) \$ Adjust.	
Sales or Financing		None			None					
Concessions		None			None					
Days on Market		96			59					
Location	N;Res:	N;Res:			N;Res:					
Leasehold/Fee Simple	Fee Simple	Fee Simple			Fee Simple					
Site	28.25 ac	4.2 ac			+48.100 5.01 ac			+46.500		
View	N;Res:	N;Res:			N;Res:					
Design (Style)	DT2:Colonial	DT2:Colonial			DT2:BiLevel			0		
Quality of Construction	Q3	Q3			Q3					
Actual Age	192	23			-35,000 39			-35,000		
Condition	C3	C3			C3					
Above Grade	Total Bdrms. Baths	Total Bdrms. Baths		Total Bdrms. Baths		Total Bdrms. Baths		Total Bdrms. Baths		
Room Count	9 4 1.0	9 4 2.1	-6,000	6 3 2.0	-4,000					
Gross Living Area	2,464 sq.ft.	2,528 sq.ft.	0	2,424 sq.ft.	0				sq.ft.	
Basement & Finished Rooms Below Grade	1076sf0sfin	1376sf688sfin	0	2352sf1388sfin	0					
Functional Utility	Average	Average	-4,000	Average	-10,000					
Heating/Cooling	FWA/CAC	FWA/CAC		FWA/CAC						
Energy Efficient Items	Therm Windows	Ins windows		Ins windows	0					
Garage/Carport	2gd8dw	2ga2dw		2ga2gd2dw	0					
Porch/Patio/Deck	Patio, Deck, Fp	Porch, Fp		0 Deck, Patio, Fp	0					
Amenities	Barn 48x50	None	+10,000	Out Bldg	0					
Lis/Sale Ratio -3%			-7,900		-8,700					
Original Price	\$289,000	\$269,900	0	\$289,000	0					
Net Adjustment (Total)		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> + <input type="checkbox"/> -	\$ 5,200	<input type="checkbox"/> + <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> -	\$ -11,200	<input type="checkbox"/> + <input type="checkbox"/> -				
Adjusted List Price of Comparables		Net 2.0 %		Net 3.9 %		Net %				
		Gross 41.9 %	\$ 270,100	Gross 35.9 %	\$ 278,700	Gross %				
Report the results of the research and analysis of the prior sale or transfer history of the subject property and comparable sales (report additional prior sales on page 3).										
ITEM	SUBJECT	LISTING # 1	LISTING # 2	LISTING # 3						
Date of Prior Sale/Transfer	01/13/2017									
Price of Prior Sale/Transfer	\$0									
Data Source(s)	AshtabulCty Auditor's Wbsite	AshtabulCty Auditor's Wbsite	AshtabulCty Auditor's Wbsite	AshtabulCty Auditor's Wbsite						
Effective Date of Data Source(s)	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017	11/27/2017						
Comments: There are no sales listed in the past 12 months for listing utilized. Listing #2 is located in Austinburg with a Jefferson mailing address. Comparable 1 has an estimated basement finish size due to a lack of a report size by the realtor or NORMLS. The above listings are provided for additional support for the value estimate. The listing are located in the subjects market area and compete directly with the subject. The listing help provided the high end of the value range for similar competing properties.										



## UNIFORM APPRAISAL DATASET (UAD) DEFINITIONS ADDENDUM

(Source: Fannie Mae UAD Appendix D: UAD Field-Specific Standardization Requirements)

### Condition Ratings and Definitions

#### C1

The improvements have been recently constructed and have not been previously occupied. The entire structure and all components are new and the dwelling features no physical depreciation.

Note: Newly constructed improvements that feature recycled or previously used materials and/or components can be considered new dwellings provided that the dwelling is placed on a 100 percent new foundation and the recycled materials and the recycled components have been rehabilitated/remanufactured into like-new condition. Improvements that have not been previously occupied are not considered "new" if they have any significant physical depreciation (that is, newly constructed dwellings that have been vacant for an extended period of time without adequate maintenance or upkeep).

#### C2

The improvements feature no deferred maintenance, little or no physical depreciation, and require no repairs. Virtually all building components are new or have been recently repaired, refinished, or rehabilitated. All outdated components and finishes have been updated and/or replaced with components that meet current standards. Dwellings in this category are either almost new or have been recently completely renovated and are similar in condition to new construction.

Note: The improvements represent a relatively new property that is well maintained with no deferred maintenance and little or no physical depreciation, or an older property that has been recently completely renovated.

#### C3

The improvements are well maintained and feature limited physical depreciation due to normal wear and tear. Some components, but not every major building component, may be updated or recently rehabilitated. The structure has been well maintained.

Note: The improvement is in its first-cycle of replacing short-lived building components (appliances, floor coverings, HVAC, etc.) and is being well maintained. Its estimated effective age is less than its actual age. It also may reflect a property in which the majority of short-lived building components have been replaced but not to the level of a complete renovation.

#### C4

The improvements feature some minor deferred maintenance and physical deterioration due to normal wear and tear. The dwelling has been adequately maintained and requires only minimal repairs to building components/mechanical systems and cosmetic repairs. All major building components have been adequately maintained and are functionally adequate.

Note: The estimated effective age may be close to or equal to its actual age. It reflects a property in which some of the short-lived building components have been replaced, and some short-lived building components are at or near the end of their physical life expectancy; however, they still function adequately. Most minor repairs have been addressed on an ongoing basis resulting in an adequately maintained property.

#### C5

The improvements feature obvious deferred maintenance and are in need of some significant repairs. Some building components need repairs, rehabilitation, or updating. The functional utility and overall livability is somewhat diminished due to condition, but the dwelling remains useable and functional as a residence.

Note: Some significant repairs are needed to the improvements due to the lack of adequate maintenance. It reflects a property in which many of its short-lived building components are at the end of or have exceeded their physical life expectancy but remain functional.

#### C6

The improvements have substantial damage or deferred maintenance with deficiencies or defects that are severe enough to affect the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the improvements. The improvements are in need of substantial repairs and rehabilitation, including many or most major components.

Note: Substantial repairs are needed to the improvements due to the lack of adequate maintenance or property damage. It reflects a property with conditions severe enough to affect the safety, soundness, or structural integrity of the improvements.

### Quality Ratings and Definitions

#### Q1

Dwellings with this quality rating are usually unique structures that are individually designed by an architect for a specified user. Such residences typically are constructed from detailed architectural plans and specifications and feature an exceptionally high level of workmanship and exceptionally high-grade materials throughout the interior and exterior of the structure. The design features exceptionally high-quality exterior refinements and ornamentation, and exceptionally high-quality interior refinements. The workmanship, materials, and finishes throughout the dwelling are of exceptionally high quality.

#### Q2

Dwellings with this quality rating are often custom designed for construction on an individual property owner's site. However, dwellings in this quality grade are also found in high-quality tract developments featuring residence constructed from individual plans or from highly modified or upgraded plans. The design features detailed, high quality exterior ornamentation, high-quality interior refinements, and detail. The workmanship, materials, and finishes throughout the dwelling are generally of high or very high quality.

# UNIFORM APPRAISAL DATASET (UAD) DEFINITIONS ADDENDUM

(Source: Fannie Mae UAD Appendix D: UAD Field-Specific Standardization Requirements)

## Quality Ratings and Definitions (continued)

### Q3

Dwellings with this quality rating are residences of higher quality built from individual or readily available designer plans in above-standard residential tract developments or on an individual property owner's site. The design includes significant exterior ornamentation and interiors that are well finished. The workmanship exceeds acceptable standards and many materials and finishes throughout the dwelling have been upgraded from "stock" standards.

### Q4

Dwellings with this quality rating meet or exceed the requirements of applicable building codes. Standard or modified standard building plans are utilized and the design includes adequate fenestration and some exterior ornamentation and interior refinements. Materials, workmanship, finish, and equipment are of stock or builder grade and may feature some upgrades.

### Q5

Dwellings with this quality rating feature economy of construction and basic functionality as main considerations. Such dwellings feature a plain design using readily available or basic floor plans featuring minimal fenestration and basic finishes with minimal exterior ornamentation and limited interior detail. These dwellings meet minimum building codes and are constructed with inexpensive, stock materials with limited refinements and upgrades.

### Q6

Dwellings with this quality rating are of basic quality and lower cost; some may not be suitable for year-round occupancy. Such dwellings are often built with simple plans or without plans, often utilizing the lowest quality building materials. Such dwellings are often built or expanded by persons who are professionally unskilled or possess only minimal construction skills. Electrical, plumbing, and other mechanical systems and equipment may be minimal or non-existent. Older dwellings may feature one or more substandard or non-conforming additions to the original structure.

## Definitions of Not Updated, Updated, and Remodeled

### Not Updated

Little or no updating or modernization. This description includes, but is not limited to, new homes. Residential properties of fifteen years of age or less often reflect an original condition with no updating, if no major components have been replaced or updated. Those over fifteen years of age are also considered not updated if the appliances, fixtures, and finishes are predominantly dated. An area that is 'Not Updated' may still be well maintained and fully functional, and this rating does not necessarily imply deferred maintenance or physical/functional deterioration.

### Updated

The area of the home has been modified to meet current market expectations. These modifications are limited in terms of both scope and cost. An updated area of the home should have an improved look and feel, or functional utility. Changes that constitute updates include refurbishment and/or replacing components to meet existing market expectations. Updates do not include significant alterations to the existing structure.

### Remodeled

Significant finish and/or structural changes have been made that increase utility and appeal through complete replacement and/or expansion. A remodeled area reflects fundamental changes that include multiple alterations. These alterations may include some or all of the following: replacement of a major component (cabinet(s), bathtub, or bathroom tile), relocation of plumbing/gas fixtures/appliances, significant structural alterations (relocating walls, and/or the addition of square footage). This would include a complete gutting and rebuild.

## Explanation of Bathroom Count

Three-quarter baths are counted as a full bath in all cases. Quarter baths (baths that feature only a toilet) are not included in the bathroom count. The number of full and half baths is reported by separating the two values using a period, where the full bath count is represented to the left of the period and the half bath count is represented to the right of the period.

### Example:

3.2 indicates three full baths and two half baths.



# Market Conditions Addendum to the Appraisal Report

File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

The purpose of this addendum is to provide the lender/client with a clear and accurate understanding of the market trends and conditions prevalent in the subject neighborhood. This is a required addendum for all appraisal reports with an effective date on or after April 1, 2009.

Property Address: **2042 Stumpville Rd** City: **Jefferson** State: **OH** ZIP Code: **44047**

Borrower: **Charles Johnston**

Instructions: The appraiser must use the information required on this form as the basis for his/her conclusions, and must provide support for those conclusions, regarding housing trends and overall market conditions as reported in the Neighborhood section of the appraisal report form. The appraiser must fill in all the information to the extent it is available and reliable and must provide analysis as indicated below. If any required data is unavailable or is considered unreliable, the appraiser must provide an explanation. It is recognized that not all data sources will be able to provide data for the shaded areas below; if it is available, however, the appraiser must include the data in the analysis. If data sources provide the required information as an average instead of the median, the appraiser should report the available figure and identify it as an average. Sales and listings must be properties that compete with the subject property, determined by applying the criteria that would be used by a prospective buyer of the subject property. The appraiser must explain any anomalies in the data, such as seasonal markets, new construction, foreclosures, etc.

Inventory Analysis	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
				Increasing	Stable	Declining
Total # of Comparable Sales (Settled)	4	0	4	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Absorption Rate (Total Sales/Months)	0.67	0	1.33	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total # of Comparable Active Listings	4	5	9	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Months of Housing Supply (Total Listings/Ab.Rate)	6.0	0	6.8	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Sale & List Price, DOM, Sale/List %	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
Median Comparable Sale Price	307,500'	0	287,450	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable Sales Days on Market	224	0	14	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable List Price	299,950	274,900	299,900	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Comparable Listings Days on Market	272	218	104	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Median Sale Price as % of List Price	96.57	0	98.38	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Seller-(developer, builder, etc.)paid financial assistance prevalent?  Yes  No

Explain in detail the seller concessions trends for the past 12 months (e.g., seller contributions increased from 3% to 5%, increasing use of buydowns, closing costs, condo fees, options, etc.). **The market area has seen few seller concessions over the past 6-12 months. Seller concessions are not prevalent in the market area.**

Are foreclosure sales (REO sales) a factor in the market?  Yes  No If yes, explain (including the trends in listings and sales of foreclosed properties).

**There have been some foreclosed homes in the area, but they have not had a major effect on values in the area.**

Cite data sources for above information. **NEOHREX index, Federal Housing Finance Agency, local realtors and builders**

Summarize the above information as support for your conclusions in the Neighborhood section of the appraisal report form. If you used any additional information, such as an analysis of pending sales and/or expired and withdrawn listings, to formulate your conclusions, provide both an explanation and support for your conclusions.

**Due to the limited available sales and listings for the area the trends were more difficult to estimate. With 4 comparable sales for the 7-12 month, 0 for the 4-6 and 4 for the 3-current month periods the trends listed were not reliable. This lack of data also effected the days on market. Overall research from the area suggests more stable sales and listing prices. With more competitive pricing marketing time has remained stable while the sales price to listing price ratio has also been stable.**

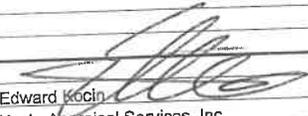
If the subject is a unit in a condominium or cooperative project, complete the following:

Subject Project Data	Prior 7-12 Months	Prior 4-6 Months	Current - 3 Months	Overall Trend		
				Increasing	Stable	Declining
Total # of Comparable Sales (Settled)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Absorption Rate (Total Sales/Months)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Total # of Active Comparable Listings				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
Months of Unit Supply (Total Listings/Ab.Rate)				<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

Are foreclosure sales (REO sales) a factor in the project?  Yes  No If yes, indicate the number of REO listings and explain the trends in listings and sales of foreclosed properties.

Summarize the above trends and address the impact on the subject unit and project.

 Serial:2A4586A6

Signature  Appraiser Name <b>Edward Kocin</b> Company Name <b>Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc</b> Company Address <b>PO Box 115, Gates Mills, OH 44040-0115</b> State License/Certification # <b>2009000565</b> State <b>OH</b> Email Address <b>ekocin@ohio-appraisal.com</b>	Signature Supervisory Appraiser Name Company Name Company Address State License/Certification # State Email Address
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## Appraiser Independence Certification

I do hereby certify, I have followed the appraiser independence safeguards in compliance with Appraisal Independence and any applicable state laws I may be required to comply with. This includes but is not limited to the following:

- I am currently licensed and/or certified by the state in which the property to be appraised is located. My license is the appropriate license for the appraisal assignment(s) and is reflected on the appraisal report.
- I certify that there have been no sanctions against me for any reason that would impair my ability to perform appraisals pursuant to the required guidelines.

I assert that no employee, director, officer, or agent of Veterans United Home Loans/VA, or any other third party acting as joint venture partner, independent contractor, appraisal management company, or partner on behalf of Veterans United Home Loans/VA, influenced, or attempted to influence the development, reporting, result, or review of my appraisal through coercion, extortion, collusion, compensation, inducement, intimidation, bribery, or in any other manner.

I further assert that Veterans United Home Loans/VA has never participated in any of the following prohibited behavior in our business relationship:

- 1) Withholding or threatening to withhold timely payment or partial payment for an appraisal report;
- 2) Withholding or threatening to withhold future business with me, or demoting or terminating or threatening to demote or terminate me;
- 3) Expressly or impliedly promising future business, promotions, or increased compensation for myself;
- 4) Conditioning the ordering of my appraisal report or the payment of my appraisal fee or salary or bonus on the opinion, conclusion, or valuation to be reached, or on a preliminary value estimate requested from me;
- 5) Requesting that I provide an estimated, predetermined, or desired valuation in an appraisal report prior to the completion of the appraisal report, or requesting that I provide estimated values or comparable sales at any time prior to my completion of an appraisal report;
- 6) Provided me an anticipated, estimated, encouraged, or desired value for a subject property or a proposed or target amount to be loaned to the borrower, except that a copy of the sales contract for purchase transactions may be provided;
- 7) Provided to me, or my appraisal company, or any entity or person related to me as appraiser, appraisal company, stock or other financial or non-financial benefits;
- 8) Any other act or practice that impairs or attempts to impair my independence, objectivity, or impartiality or violates law or regulation, including, but not limited to, the Truth in Lending Act (TILA) and Regulation Z, or the USPAP.

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Signature



12/04/2017

Date

Edward Kocin

Appraiser's Name

2009000565

State License or Certification #

Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc

State Title or Designation

09/02/2018

Expiration Date of License or Certification

OH

State

2042 Stumpville Rd, Jefferson, OH 44047

Address of Property Appraised

05/13

APPRAISER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
In Compliance with Ohio Revised Code Section 4763.12(C)

File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

Name of Appraiser: Edward Kocin

Class of Certification/Licensure:  Certified General  
 Certified Residential  
 Licensed Residential  General  Licensed  
 Temporary

Certification/Licensure Number: 2009000565

Scope: This Report  is within the scope of my Certification or License  
 is not within the scope of my Certification or License

Service Provided by:  Disinterested & Unbiased Third Party  
 Interested & Biased Third Party  
 Interested Third Party on Contingent Fee Basis

Signature of person  [esign.alamode.com/verify](https://esign.alamode.com/verify) Serial: 2A4586A6

This form must be included in conjunction with all appraisal assignments or specialized services performed by a state-certified or state-licensed real estate appraiser

State of Ohio  
Department of Commerce  
Division of Real Estate Appraiser Section  
Cleveland (216) 787-3100

# VA Addendum to Fee Appraiser's Report: Cleveland RLC Client Requirements

VA Case Number : LAPP 25-25-6-1111932 Property Address : 2042 Stumpville Rd  
Jefferson, OH 44047

If the report was not completed within the timeliness standards was the Cleveland RLC notified by updating the case notes in WebLGY?  Yes  No

Comments on timeliness: (if necessary)  
Report was submitted on time

### VA required market analysis

1. The current sales price to list price ratio is \_\_\_\_\_ %
2. The current average marketing time for this market is 97 days.
3. Comments on the current marketing trend (increasing, declining, or stable)

Property values are stable at present. The demand and supply appear to be in balance. Marketing time is 3 to 6 months which is comparable to other competing nearby communities. V.A., F.H.A. and Conventional financing available in this area.

4. Comments on prevalence of sales or financing concessions to include if/how they impact the market:  
Closing costs are typically in the 1%-4% range for this area.

### 5. VA Certification:

"I have considered relevant competitive listings and/or contract offerings in the performance of this appraisal and in the trending information reported in this section. If a trend is indicated I have attached another addendum providing relevant competitive listing/contract offering data."

6. If the subject property is served by a well, is public water available at property line?  No  
Verified by Ashtabula County Phone number 440-576-6010
7. If the subject property is served by a septic, is public sewer available at property line?  No  
Verified by Ashtabula County Phone number 440-576-6010

8. Remaining economic life 40 . Do not report as a range of years. It can reflect a plus or minus but not a range, and an explanation is required if the REL is less than 30 years.

9. If the appraised value was below purchase price, was the "Tidewater Initiative" (VA circular 26-03-11) followed and explained in the appraisal? URAR Page # N/A

10. Comments on comparables over 6 months old and/or excessive distance from the subject.  
The comparable search included all of the defined market area. The search was concentrated on competing Century Home dwellings of similar quality, condition, size, location and appeal. This search revealed a very limited comparable pool. The subjects rural location and lack of sales forced the search radius to be expanded into competing market areas.

11. If the neighborhood section of esign.alamode.com/verify Serial# 2A4586A6 situation was a listings/offers addendum provided. Refer to VA Pamphlet 26-7, Chapter 11, section 8 e.  Yes  No

Appraiser's Signature  
for VA Certification  
01/20/2012

Edward Kocin

Date: 12/04/2017

### Repairs Required to meet Minimum Property Requirements (MPRs) for VA Financing

Repairs needed to meet the Minimum Property Requirements (MPRs) and make the subject safe, sound, and sanitary (i.e., structurally sound, free of roof leaks and have operable mechanical systems). All repairs are to be completed according to industry standards, and in a good workmanlike manner. The dwelling will meet VA's Minimum Property Requirements for existing dwellings as outlined in VA Pamphlet 26-7, Chapter 12 when the needed MPR repairs are completed.

Structural repairs needed

None Noted

Roof repairs needed

None Noted

Mechanical Systems repairs needed  
Plumbing / Fixtures

Hot water tank flue pipe to be sealed at chimney

Electrical

exposed wiring was noted in the basement area of the home.  
open work box in garage needs a cover plate installed  
outlet in bath is not GFI protected. This needs to be repaired per code.

HVAC

None Noted

Defective paint surfaces (home built pre-1978)

Multiple areas of chipped, peeling and missing paint noted on exterior of home, windows and subjects Barn  
All areas need to be repaired.

Other Repair Items

Basement stair case, attic stairs, front porch steps and stairs in garage need a hand rail installed.  
Deck has 2 areas with missing railings. Both need repair  
Loose siding was noted on family room portion of home

Remarks:

## Subject Photo Page

Borrower	Charles Johnston				
Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd				
City	Jefferson	County	Ashtabula	State	OH
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA			Zip Code	44047



### Subject Front

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192



### Subject Rear



### Subject Street

## Subject Photo Page

Borrower	Charles Johnston		
Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd	County	Ashtabula
City	Jefferson	State	OH
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA		
		Zip Code	44047



### Subject Front

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
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### Subject Rear



### Subject Street

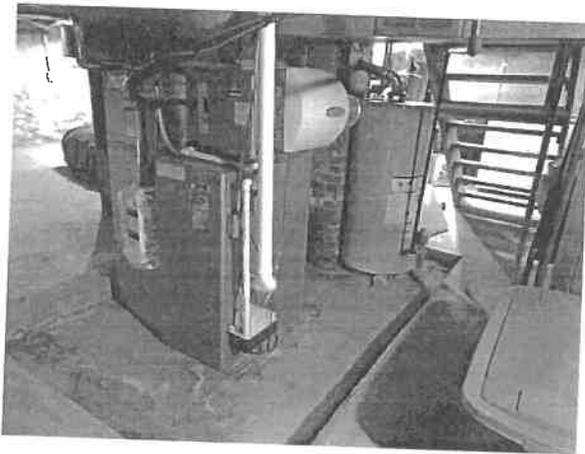
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### Subject basement



### Subject dining room

### Subject Photo Page

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#### Subject bath 1 of 2

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#### Subject bath 2 of 2



#### Subject living room

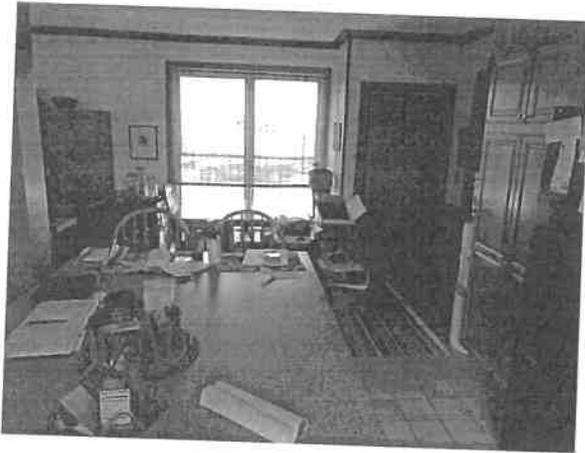
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### Subject kitchen

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Sales Price 284,000  
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Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
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Age 192



### Subject kitchen



### Subject family room

### Subject Photo Page

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Property Address	2042 Stumpville Rd		County	Ashtabula	State	OH	Zip Code	44047
City	Jefferson							
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA							



#### Subject bedroom

2042 Stumpville Rd  
Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192



#### Subject bedroom



#### Subject bedroom

## Subject Photo Page

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Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA	Zip Code	44047		

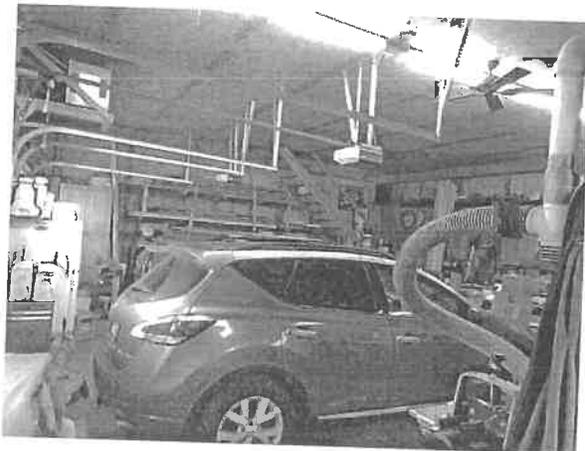


### Subject bedroom

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 Site 28.25 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 192



### Subject garage



### Subject garage

## Subject Photo Page

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City	Jefferson	State	OH
Lender/Client	Veterans United Home Loans/VA		
		Zip Code	44047

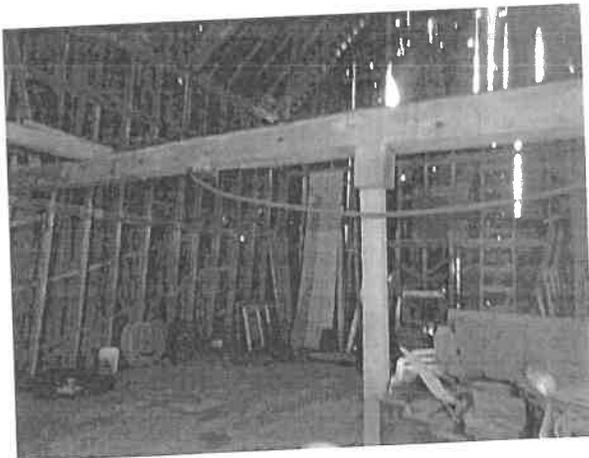


### Subject garage loft

2042 Stumpville Rd	
Sales Price	284,000
Gross Living Area	2,464
Total Rooms	9
Total Bedrooms	4
Total Bathrooms	1.0
Location	N;Res;
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Site	28.25 ac
Quality	Q3
Age	192



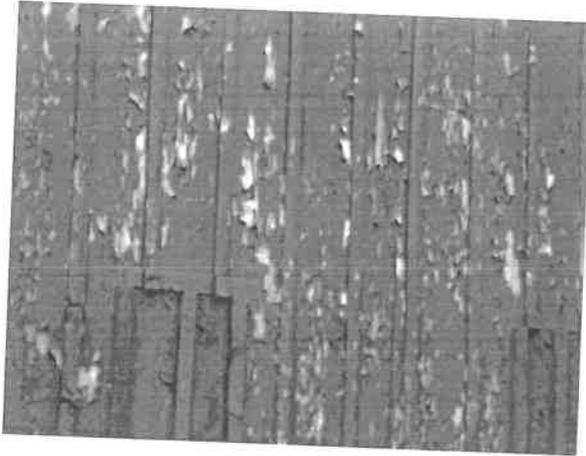
### Subject Barn



### Subject Barn

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### Subject barn siding

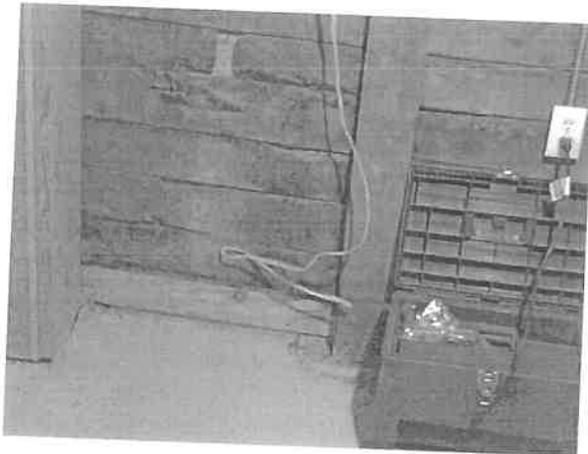
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Location N;Res;  
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Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

chipped, peeling, missing  
paint to be repaired



### Subject garage loft steps

hand rail required

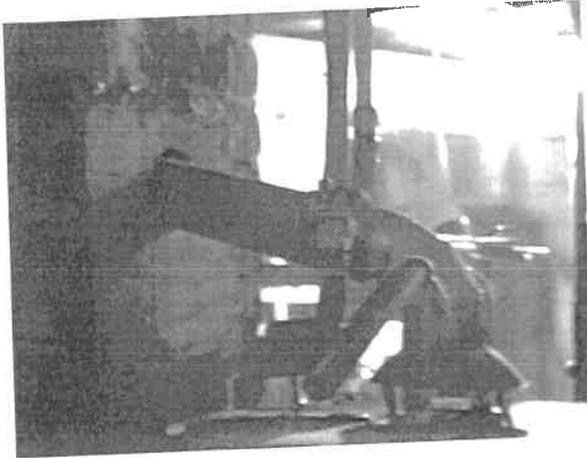


### Subject basement

exposed wires to be removed

## Subject Photo Page

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### Subject HWT flue

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Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

to be sealed at chimney



### Subject basement steps

hand rail required



### Subject bath outlet by sink

GFI outlet required to code

## Subject Photo Page

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### Subject attic steps

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Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

hand rail required



### Subject garage HWT

cover plate for work box  
required



### Subject deck

missing rails to be installed  
2 areas

## Subject Photo Page

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### Subject loose siding

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Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

to be repaired



### Subject loose siding

to be repaired



### Subject front porch steps

hand rail required

## Subject Photo Page

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### Subject bsmt windows

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Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

chipped, peeling, missing  
paint to be repaired



### Subject window

chipped, peeling missing  
paint to be repaired

## Subject Photo Page

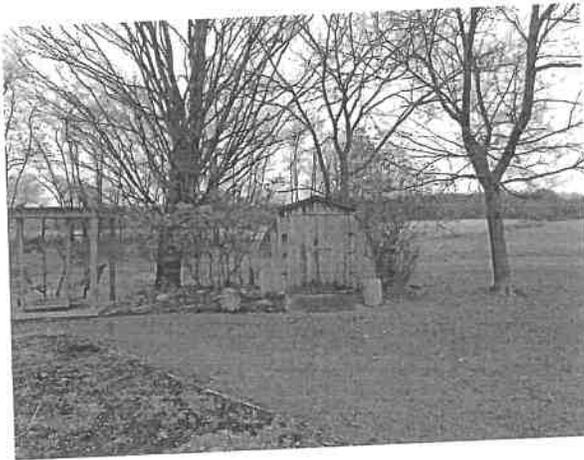
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### Subject Sheds

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Sales Price 284,000  
Gross Living Area 2,464  
Total Rooms 9  
Total Bedrooms 4  
Total Bathrooms 1.0  
Location N;Res;  
View N;Res;  
Site 28.25 ac  
Quality Q3  
Age 192

no value given



### Subject shed

no value given



### Subject shed

no value given

## Comparable Photo Page

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### Comparable 1

4989 State Route 307 E  
 Prox. to Subject 8.57 miles NW  
 Sale Price 262,500  
 Gross Living Area 2,114  
 Total Rooms 7  
 Total Bedrooms 4  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 2.35 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 177



### Comparable 2

982 Mechanicsville Rd  
 Prox. to Subject 6.70 miles NW  
 Sale Price 310,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,166  
 Total Rooms 6  
 Total Bedrooms 3  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 12.13 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 20

appraiser personal file photo



### Comparable 3

1924 E Morgan Rd  
 Prox. to Subject 7.91 miles NE  
 Sale Price 335,000  
 Gross Living Area 2,219  
 Total Rooms 7  
 Total Bedrooms 3  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Location N;Res;  
 View N;Res;  
 Site 15.04 ac  
 Quality Q3  
 Age 18

appraiser personal file photo

## Listing Photo Page

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### Listing 1



819 Lenox New Lyme Rd  
 Proximity to Subject 2.81 miles NE  
 List Price 264,900  
 Days on Market 96  
 Gross Living Area 2,528  
 Total Rooms 9  
 Total Bedrooms 4  
 Total Bathrooms 2.1  
 Age/Year Built 23

### Listing 2



1475 Chapel Rd  
 Proximity to Subject 4.88 miles N  
 List Price 289,900  
 Days on Market 59  
 Gross Living Area 2,424  
 Total Rooms 6  
 Total Bedrooms 3  
 Total Bathrooms 2.0  
 Age/Year Built 39

Proximity to Subject  
 List Price  
 Days on Market  
 Gross Living Area  
 Total Rooms  
 Total Bedrooms  
 Total Bathrooms  
 Age/Year Built

FROM:		<b>INVOICE</b>	
Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc. PO Box 115 Gates Mills, Oh 44040  Telephone Number: 440-460-4660      Fax Number:		<b>INVOICE NUMBER</b> <hr/> <b>DATES</b> Invoice Date: 11/27/2017 Due Date:	
<b>TO:</b>  Veterans United Home Loans/VA 1400 Veterans United Drive Columbia, MO 65203-0000  E-Mail: Telephone Number:      Fax Number: Alternate Number:		<b>REFERENCE</b> Internal Order #: KASI41717 Lender Case #: Client File #: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932 FHA/VA Case #: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932 Main File # on form: LAPP 25-25-6-1111932 Other File # on form: Federal Tax ID: Employer ID:	
DESCRIPTION			
Lender: Veterans United Home Loans/VA Purchaser/Borrower: Charles Johnston Property Address: 2042 Stumpville Rd City: Jefferson County: Ashtabula Legal Description: 2 S CAUV # 1812		Client: Veterans United Home Loans/VA     State: OH      Zip: 44047	
FEES		AMOUNT	
VA Uniform Residential Appraisal Report		450.00	
		SUBTOTAL 450.00	
PAYMENTS		AMOUNT	
Check #:	Date:	Description:	
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		SUBTOTAL	
		TOTAL DUE \$ 450.00	

# Realist Site Map

Matrix

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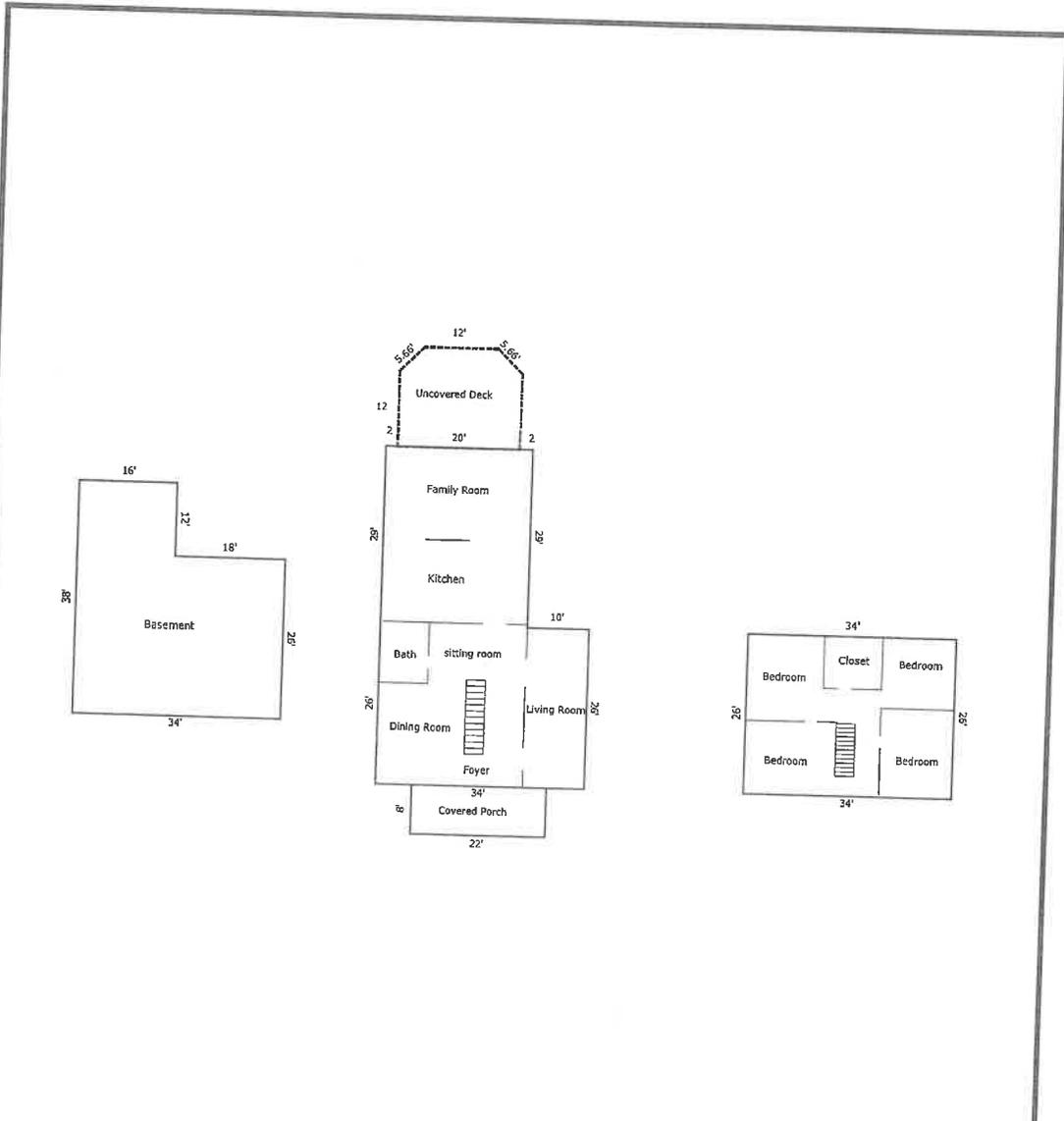
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City is 'Lanox'  
Ordered by Status, Area, Current Price  
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## Building Sketch (Page - 1)

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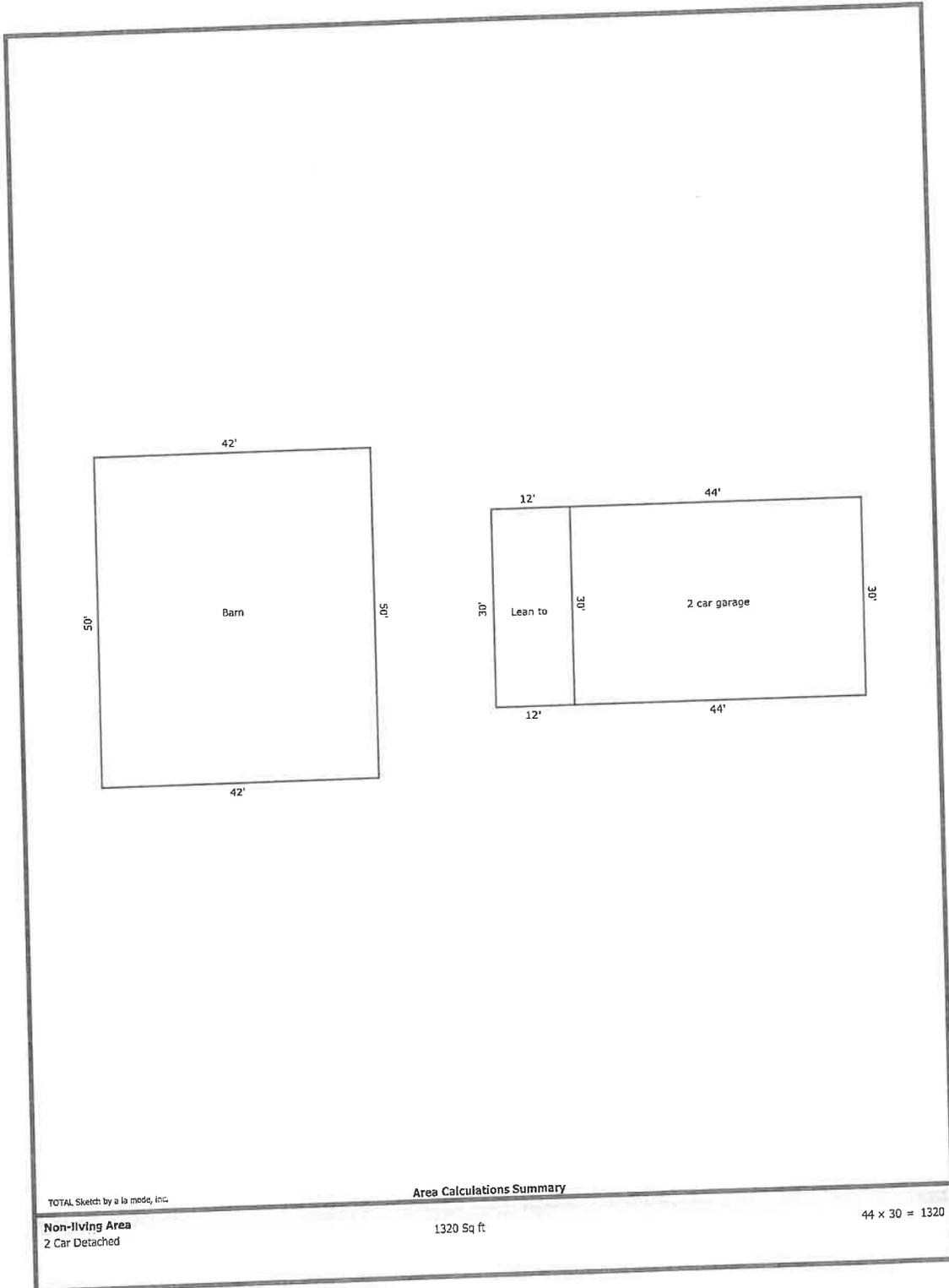
TOTAL Sketch by a la mode, inc.

### Area Calculations Summary

Living Area	Area	Calculation Details
First Floor	1580 Sq ft	$24 \times 29 = 696$ $26 \times 34 = 884$ $34 \times 26 = 884$
Second Floor	884 Sq ft	
<b>Total Living Area (Rounded):</b>	<b>2464 Sq ft</b>	
<b>Non-living Area</b>	<b>176 Sq ft</b>	
Open Porch	306.86 Sq ft	$8 \times 22 = 176$ $20 \times 12.14 = 242.86$ $12 \times 4 = 48$ $0.5 \times 4 \times 4 = 8$ $0.5 \times 4 \times 4 = 8$
Wood Deck		
Basement	1076 Sq ft	$34 \times 26 = 884$ $15 \times 12 = 192$

## Building Sketch (Page - 2)

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### Area Calculations Summary

**Non-living Area**  
2 Car Detached

1320 Sq ft

44 x 30 = 1320

# Supplemental Addendum

File No. LAPP 25-25-6-1111932

Borrower	Charles Johnston		
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• **URAR: Improvements - Condition of the Property**

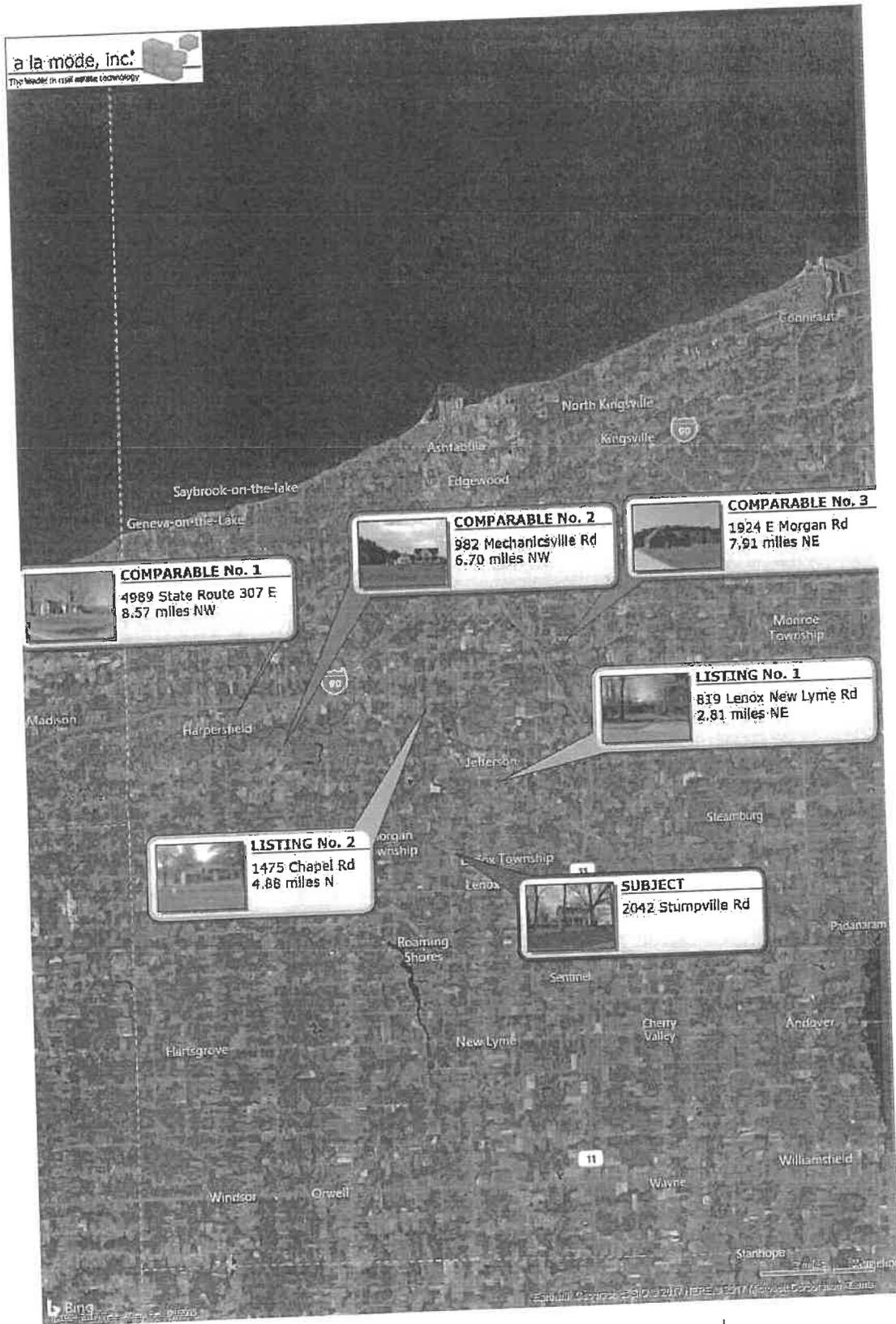
Water conditioning system. Newer gas furnace, new hardwood flooring in foyer, dining room and sitting area. Remodeled Kitchen has hickory cabinets, solid surface counter top, a center island with a breakfast bar, custom tile back splash and ceramic tile flooring. Family room has a gas freestanding fireplace and sliding glass doors that lead to the deck. Remodeled bath. Out building has heat, electric, insulated walls, concrete floor and a full loft. Additional updating to home include new gas fireplace in family room ( 2009 ), a/c, entrance doors, completely expanded and remodeled kitchen, newer electrical breaker panel, new basement concrete floor, wiring and lighting. Remodeled bath. Subject has an over sized 2 car garage with a work shop area.

• **URAR: Sales Comparison Analysis - Summary of Sales Comparison Approach**

The comparable search included all of the defined market area. The search was concentrated on competing Century Home dwellings of similar quality, condition, size, location and appeal. This search revealed a very limited comparable pool. The subjects rural location and lack of sales forced the search radius to be expanded into competing market areas. Realtor comments and interior photographs when provided were reviewed. The condition rating was based on the comments and photographs. Comparable 1 was listed as being completely remodeled in 2009. NOTE: this property was sold with a lot split from a main parcel of 75.91 acres. This split was verified with the Auditors real estate office. Comparables 2 and 3 are newer homes on larger sites from the subjects market area. Comparable 3 was inspected by the appraiser. No viable comparable were found to bracket the subjects site. Due to the subjects large lot size, lack of similar age comparables and a lack of viable similar comparables the gross adjustments have exceeded normal parameters. Comparable 1 was considered most similar in age and appeal. Therefore it carried the most weight in this report.

## Location Map

Borrower	Charles Johnston		
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## Flood Map

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**InterFlood** by a la mode

Prepared for: Kocin Appraisal Services, Inc  
2042 Stumpville Rd  
Jefferson, OH 44047



**MAP DATA**

FEMA Special Flood Hazard Area: No  
Map Number: 39007C0285D  
Zone: X  
Map Date: December 18, 2007  
FIPS: 39007

**MAP LEGEND**

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Salient Data:	
Date of Sale: 10/18/2017	Condition: C3
Borrower: Charles Johnston	Total Rooms: 9
Lender: Veterans United Home Loans/VA	Bedrooms: 4
Size (Sq.Ft): 2,464	Baths: 1.0
Price Per Square Foot: 115.26	Appraiser: Edward Kocin
Location: N;Res;	Effective Date of Value ('as of'): 11/27/2017
Age: 192	Final Opinion of Value: 293,000
Signer 1:	Signer 2:
Ed Kocin	
PO Box 115, Gates Mills, OH 44040-0115	
Signature:	Signature:
Serial #: 2A4586A6	Serial #:
Date Signed: 12/04/2017	Date Signed:

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ASHTABULA COUNTY  
25 W Jefferson Street  
Jefferson OH 44047-1092  
(440) 576-1484 Fax: (440) 576-3446

BOARD OF REVISION HEARING NOTICE TO  
ASHTABULA COUNTY PROPERTY OWNER OR HIS/HER AGENT

B.O.R. CASE NUMBER: 2023-0025

March 15, 2024

CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE  
2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
JEFFERSON OH 44047

The Board, in accordance with Ohio Revised Code 5715.19, has scheduled a hearing on:

**April 11, 2024 at 1:30 PM**

at the Ashtabula County Courthouse, 2nd floor, Room 205, in connection with B.O.R. case number: 2023-0025 filed for tax year 2023 by CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE and described as follows:

Parcel ID(s):

1) 29-007-00-012-00 located at 2042 STUMPVILLE RD, the market value is \$350,400. The market value sought is \$284,000.

You or a representative must appear at this hearing or the case will be dismissed.

If you have any questions, please call (440) 576-1484.

Ashtabula County Board of Revision

# HEARING MINUTES

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Case Type VL

**The Hearing of Board of Revision Case 2023-0025, CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE is being recorded and the date is 4/11/2024.**

## Board Members

**Auditor, David Thomas    Treasurer, Angie Maki Cliff    Commissioner, Kathryn Whittington**

Others present:

Alex Iarocci, Treasurer Alternate

Janet Discher, Commissioner Alternate

Charles Johnston, Trustee

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**Complainant Seeks: \$284000**

**Subject Parcel: 290070001200**

**Auditor Value: \$350400**

# HEARING MINUTES

BOR Case: 2023-0025

Owner Name: CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE

## Board Action

Motion to:  Agree  Set Value \$

CAUV Reinstatement-  All Acres  No Acres  Set Acres \_\_\_\_\_

No Change  Withdrawal  Table  No Show

Other \_\_\_\_\_

### Based Upon:

failure to meet burden of proof. All issues noted about property have been remediated prior  
to the lien date of 1-1-23. Auditor is accounting for crawl space accurately.

Was Made by: Alex

2<sup>nd</sup> by: Janet

Roll: Thomas-yes/Iarocci-yes/Discher-yes

Motion therefore:  Passed  Failed

Decision Date: 4/11/24



David Thomas, Auditor  
Secretary of the Board of Revision

ASHTABULA COUNTY  
Board of Revision  
25 W Jefferson Street  
Jefferson OH 44047-1092  
(440) 576-1484 Fax: (440) 576-3446

Notice of Decision for BOR Case: 2023-0025

CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE  
2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
JEFFERSON OH 44047

Based on the decision of the Board of Revision, the County Auditor is hereby authorized to adjust the Tax List accordingly.  
**Result Below.**

An appeal from this decision may be filed with the County Board of Revision and with either the Board of Tax Appeals, per Ohio R.C. 5717.01 or the Court of Common Pleas, per Ohio R.C. 5717.05. Appeals must be filed within thirty (30) days of the postmark of this Notice of Decision.

PARCEL	CLASS	TAXING DISTRICT			TAX YEAR
29-007-00-012-00	111-GRAIN/GEN FRM Q	29-LENOX TWP-JEFFERSON AREA LSD			2023
	<b>LAND</b>	<b>IMPR</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>		
<b>Original Value:</b>	\$82,900	\$267,500	\$350,400		
<b>Adjustment:</b>	\$0	\$0	\$0		
<b>New Value:</b>	\$82,900	\$267,500	\$350,400		
<b>RESULT: NVC - NO VALUE CHANGE. FAILURE TO MEET BURDEN OF PROOF, LACK OF PROBATIVE EVIDENCE</b>					



Board of Revision

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Postage  
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Sent To: CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON *\$25*  
Street: 2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
City, St: JEFFERSON OH 44047

DTE FORM 4  
(Revised 10/13)  
R.C. 5717.01

# NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF TAX APPEALS FROM A DECISION OF A COUNTY BOARD OF REVISION

READ IMPORTANT FILING INFORMATION ON BACK BEFORE COMPLETING THIS FORM

BOR Case No. 2023-0025

Charles + Susan Johnston Trustee  
Appellant, (Please Print)

v.

AUDITOR/FISCAL OFFICER AND THE BOARD OF REVISION OF

ASHTABULA County, Ohio, and

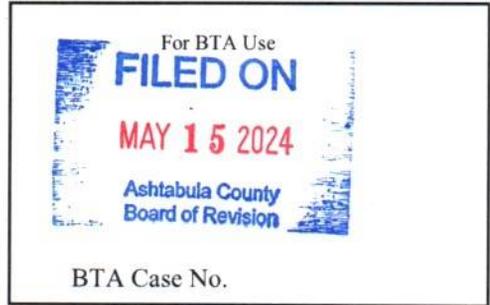
DAVID THOMAS Auditor

Appellee(s). (All other parties to the appeal)

Appellant appeals a Board of Revision (BOR) decision mailed on (date) 4-26-2024 for tax year 2023. (Attach decision copy).

Property Owner's name CHARLES + SUSAN JOHNSTON

Property Owner's address 2042 STUMPVILLE RD JEFFERSON OHIO 44047



	1 <sup>st</sup> Parcel	2 <sup>nd</sup> Parcel	3 <sup>rd</sup> Parcel
Parcel (or registration) No.	<u>29-007-00-012-00</u>		
Parcel's Address – Street City, State Zip	<u>2042 STUMPVILLE RD JEFFERSON OH. 44047</u>		
Parcel's School District	<u>JEFFERSON ASD 44047</u>		
Appellant's Opinion of Parcel's Market Value	<u>\$284,000.00</u>		

Evidence supporting opinion of market value: House was sold under fraudulent terms + price  
(Arm's-length sale of the subject, a qualifying appraisal, or some other evidence – describe)

Appeal of a BOR decision starts a formal adjudication process often involving lawyers, discovery, motions and expert witness (appraiser) testimony. The Small Claims Option avoids much of the formality and resolves simple disputes quickly and inexpensively. More information is in the form instructions.

**Small Claims Option (Check One):** YES  NO  Small claims involve simple disputes that can be resolved quickly and inexpensively. Most residential property qualifies for the small claims option but taxpayer consent is required because decisions have no precedential value, they are final for all parties and cannot be appealed. More information is provided in the instruction portion of this form. By electing to have your appeal resolved as a small claim, you understand and agree to these conditions.

**Request Hearing (Check One):** YES  NO  All evidence is required to be presented to the BOR, a record of which is transmitted to the BTA for consideration. BTA hearings are therefore unnecessary unless new evidence has become available since the BOR proceedings. If a BTA hearing is scheduled, it will be held in the BTA's offices in Columbus, OH, and your appeal may be dismissed if you do not attend or if you fail to provide prior notice of your intent not to attend. Hearings for small claims, if requested, will be an informal, non-record hearing conducted by telephone only.

**Contact Information:**

Charles W. Johnston  
Appellant or Representative (signature)

CHARLES W. JOHNSTON OWNER  
Print Name and Title of Representative

2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
Mailing Address

Jefferson Ohio 44047  
City State Zip

Chas7J65@yahoo.com  
Email Address

(817) 798-0845  
Phone Number

Fax Number (If any)

4-26-2024  
Date

ASHTABULA COUNTY  
Board of Revision  
25 W Jefferson Street  
Jefferson OH 44047-1092  
(440) 576-1484 Fax: (440) 576-3446



**Notice of Decision for BOR Case: 2023-0025**

CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON TRUSTEE  
2042 STUMPVILLE RD  
JEFFERSON OH 44047

Based on the decision of the Board of Revision, the County Auditor is hereby authorized to adjust the Tax List accordingly.  
**Result Below.**

An appeal from this decision may be filed with the County Board of Revision and with either the Board of Tax Appeals, per Ohio R.C. 5717.01 or the Court of Common Pleas, per Ohio R.C. 5717.05. Appeals must be filed within thirty (30) days of the postmark of this Notice of Decision.

PARCEL	CLASS	TAXING DISTRICT			TAX YEAR
29-007-00-012-00	111-GRAIN/GEN FRM Q	29-LENOX TWP-JEFFERSON AREA LSD			2023
		<b>LAND</b>	<b>IMPR</b>	<b>TOTAL</b>	
<b>Original Value:</b>		\$82,900	\$267,500	\$350,400	
<b>Adjustment:</b>		\$0	\$0	\$0	
<b>New Value:</b>		\$82,900	\$267,500	\$350,400	
<b>RESULT: NVC - NO VALUE CHANGE. FAILURE TO MEET BURDEN OF PROOF, LACK OF PROBATIVE EVIDENCE</b>					

Board of Revision



# TRIPLE M CONSTRUCTION

FULLY INSURED  
Amish Owned & Operated  
Phone: 440-904-0586

FILED ON

MAY 15 2024

Ashtabula County Board of Revision

Proposal Submitted To: <u>Charles Johnston</u>		Date: <u>5-1-24</u>
Address: <u>2042 Stampville Rd.</u>		E-Mail:
Phone Number:		
Job Location: <u>Jefferson O.H.</u>		
Job Name:	Job #:	
Architect:	Date of Plans:	

- Roofing:**
- Asphalt Shingles     Elk/Prestique/GALF
  - 25 Year     Limited Lifetimes
  - Apply Felt Paper:  15#    30#    Titanium
  - Shingle House     Garage     Porches
  - Bottom of House Only
  - Install Roof Vents     House     Ridge Vent
  - Install Screened In Galvanized Chimney Caps
  - Install or Replace Pipe Caps
  - Install Power Fans     Reinstall Homeowners Power Fan
  - Replace all Damaged & Rotten Wood (Additl' to Proposal)
  - \$80.00 Rate per 4' x 8' sheet
  - 40 Year Metal
  - Metal on Garage
  - Metal on Porches
  - Install Heating Cable (For Ice Breakup)
  - Chimneys:  Flash
  - Install Drip Edge
  - Remove Antenna
  - Remove Old Roof:  House     barn Garage     Porches
  - Install Ice & Water Shields     Valley Areas Only
  - Paint All Metal on Roof
  - Clean All Mess
  - Haul Away Old Shingles
  - 1 x 4's Over Shingles felt iceguard
  - Metal on House
  - Bottom of House Only.

- Spouting:**
- Install Seamless Spouting and Downspouts:     House     Garage     Porches
  - Install Leaf Relief

Warranty on Labor:     3 Years     5 Years     \_\_\_\_\_

**Additional Specifications:**  
 We propose hereby to furnish material and labor - complete in accordance with the above specifications for the sum of: \_\_\_\_\_ dollars (\$ 40800.00 )

with payment(s) to be made as follows:     paid in full     half down when start

Note: This proposal may be withdrawn by Triple M Roofing, LLC within  30 days     60 days     \_\_\_\_\_. Any alteration or deviation from above specifications involving extra cost will be executed only upon written order and will become an extra charge over and above the estimate. All agreements contingent upon strikes, accidents, or delays beyond our control. All accounts 30 days past due will incur a 1% per month surcharge until balance is paid in full.

Respectfully Submitted: mary miss  
 Authorized Representative of Triple M Roofing, LLC

The above prices, specifications, and conditions are satisfactory and are hereby accepted. Triple M Roofing, LLC is authorized to do the work as specified. Payment(s) will be made as outlined above.



**Ashtabula County Auditor  
David Thomas**

25 West Jefferson Street  
Jefferson, Ohio 44047-1092  
Phone: 440-576-3783 ~ Fax: 440-576-3797  
auditor@ashtabulacountyauditor.org

Charles & Susan Johnston  
2042 Stumpville Rd.  
Jefferson, OH 44047

May 17, 2024

**Re: Notice of Receipt of Appeal**

BOR # 2023-0025  
Parcel # 29-007-00-012-00

Mr. & Mrs. Johnston,

This letter is notification of receipt of DTE Form 4, for BOR case #2023-0025, filed with the Auditor on 05/15/2024, which indicates the intention of the owner of the above captioned case to appeal the decision of the Ashtabula County Board of Revision for tax year 2023 to the Board of Tax Appeals.

If you have any questions regarding this notice you may contact this office at 440-576-1484.

Sincerely,

David Thomas  
Secretary of the Board of Revision

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- Adult Signature Required \$ \_\_\_\_\_
- Adult Signature Restricted Delivery \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Postage

\$ .64

Total Postage and Fees

\$ 5.04



CHARLES & SUSAN JOHNSTON #25

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Reverse for Instructions

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