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CC: TDSML Listserv
Subject: Important Notice from TDSML (04/30/2009)

Re: Newly Designed Website

We have recently launched our newly designed website: www.sml.state.tx.us. Efforts have been underway to improve the appearance and navigability of our website, while still remaining accessible to all users according to the standards set forth by the World Wide Web Consortium (W3C).

There are several main sections to note that form a template which remains constant as you navigate within our website:

- Header – links located at the top of the page (*Home, About Us, Publications ...*)
- Sidebar – links located along the left side of the page (*Residential Mortgage Loan Originator, State Savings Banks, Consumer Information ...*). Please note some of these links expand upon being clicked.
- Site Map – links to the major sections of our website located at the bottom of the page

On our home page in the body of the right hand side, a *Quick Links* section has been added where we have included links to some of our most frequently visited pages.

Also important to note is the use of the term *Residential Mortgage Loan Originator (RMLO)* throughout the website. As the department moves towards a nationwide licensing system, we are adopting the term when referring to mortgage brokers, loan officers, and mortgage banker loan originators.

Please be patient as we transition. If you happen to encounter broken links or other errors, you may contact us by [e-mail](#). Feedback would be greatly appreciated as well. We also recommend updating any bookmarks/favorites you may have saved, as the URLs of most pages have changed. Thank you and we hope you enjoy our new website.

Douglas B. Foster
Commissioner

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