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GENERAL INFORMATION

Transition to NMLS

Companies holding the Office of the Commissioner of Financial Institutions Debt Management Services License are required to submit a license transition request through NMLS by filing a Company Form (MU1) and an Individual Form (MU2) for each of their control persons. The Debt Management Services License will be available in NMLS to submit the transition request starting September 1, 2019. The transition to NMLS for this license is *optional*.

Additionally, for each branch holding a Debt Management Services Branch License, a company must complete and submit a Branch Form (MU3) through NMLS.

Note: If you already have a record in NMLS and have submitted these forms in the past, you do not need to re-enter your company information into NMLS. You will only need to identify the business activities your company conducts and the states in which the various activities are conducted. Then, you will select the appropriate license in PR, and complete a few state-specific fields.

It is important that current licensees have the appropriate transition number available when completing and submitting their Company Form (MU1), so they are not charged a new application fee. Your transition number is your actual license number, including any and all punctuation, capitalization and spaces.

PR encourages current licensees to update their information with PR at least two weeks before they intend to transition to NMLS, so there will be no pending changes to submit at the time of transition.

Activities Authorized Under This License

This license authorizes the following activities...

 <u>Debt negotiation:</u> Acting on behalf of consumer debtors for or with the expectation of a fee, commission, or other valuable consideration to help clear debts by entering into direct negotiations with creditors in order to facilitate the repayment of debts.

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- Debt settlement/debt adjuster: For or with the expectation of a fee, commission or other valuable consideration, entering into an agreement with a debtor agreeing to distribute, supervise, coordinate, negotiate, or control the distribution of money or evidences thereof among one or more of the debtor's creditors in full or partial payment of the obligations of the debtor and including services as an intermediary between a debtor and one or more of the debtor's creditors for the purpose of obtaining concessions.
- Debt management/credit counseling: Receiving money, or offering to receive money, from debtors for application or payment to or prorating of a debt owed to, any creditor or creditors of such debtor; or providing, or offering to provide, counseling or other services to debtors in the management of their debts, or contracting with the debtor to effect the adjustment, compromise, or discharge of any account, note or other indebtedness of the debtor.
- Non-mortgage loan modifications: Negotiating, attempting to negotiate, arranging, attempting to arrange, or otherwise offering to perform a non-mortgage loan modification which is defined as a change in one or more of a loan's terms or conditions

Document Uploads Guidance

Documents that must be uploaded to the *Document Uploads* section of the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS are indicated in the checklist below. When uploading documents:

- Follow the guidance in Document Upload Descriptions and Examples.
- Only upload documents relevant to the company application.
- Only upload documents where there is a selectable document category. If inappropriate documents are uploaded that should not be, you will be contacted by your regulator and asked to remove them from NMLS.
- Do not upload the same company documents multiple times. Generally, unless the document is state-specific, if the document has already been uploaded for another state, a new upload is not required unless changes have been made.
- If a document previously uploaded has been revised, delete the old document and replace it with the new document (history of the old document will remain in NMLS).
- For state-specific documents (e.g., Surety Bonds), be sure to indicate the applicable state.

Helpful Resources

- Company Form (MU1) Filing Instructions
- <u>Document Upload Descriptions and Examples</u>
- Individual Form (MU2) Filing Quick Guide
- Financial Statements Quick Guide
- Payment Options Quick Guide
- License Status Definitions Quick Guide

Agency Contact Information

Contact Permits and Licensing Division licensing staff by phone at <u>(787) 723-3131 x2197, 2336, 2214</u>, or send your questions via email to <u>reglamentacion@ocif.pr.gov</u> for additional assistance.

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For U.S. Postal Service:

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS
PERMITS AND LICENSING DIVISION
PO BOX 11855
SAN JUAN, PR 00910-3855

For Overnight Delivery:

COMMISSIONER OF FINANCIAL INSTITUTIONS PERMITS AND LICENSING DIVISION 1492 PONCE DE LEON AVE. SUITE 600 CENTRO EUROPA BLDG. SAN JUAN, PR 00907

THE APPLICANT/LICENSEE IS FULLY RESPONSIBLE FOR ALL OF THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE LICENSE FOR WHICH THEY ARE APPLYING. THE AGENCY SPECIFIC REQUIREMENTS CONTAINED HEREIN ARE FOR GUIDANCE ONLY TO FACILITATE APPLICATION THROUGH NMLS. SHOULD YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONSULT LEGAL COUNSEL.

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LICENSE FEES - Fees collected through NMLS are NOT REFUNDABLE OR TRANSFERABLE.			
Complete	PR Debt Management Services License	Submitted via	
	PR License/Registration Transition Fee: \$0 NMLS Initial Processing Fee: \$0	NMLS (Filing submission)	

REQUIREMENTS COMPLETED IN NMLS		
Complete	PR Debt Management Services License	Submitted via
	Submission of Company Form (MU1): Complete and submit the Company Form (MU1) in NMLS. This form serves as the application for the license/registration through NMLS.	NMLS
	Financial Statements: Upload an unaudited financial statement prepared by a Certified Public Accountant in accordance with Generally Accepted Accounting Principles dated within 90 days of your fiscal year end. Financial statements should include a balance sheet, income statement, and statement of cash flows and all relevant notes thereto. If applicant is a start-up company, only an initial statement of condition is required.	NMLS
	The financial statement must illustrate a company net worth of \$10,000.00. Note: Financial statements are uploaded separately under the Filing tab and Financial Statement submenu link. See the Financial Statements Quick Guide for instructions.	
	Other Trade Name: If operating under a name that is different from the applicant's legal name, that name ("Trade Name", "Assumed Name" or "DBA") must be listed under the Other Trade Names section of the Company Form (MU1). Puerto Rico does not allow more than 1 of other trade names.	NMLS
	Resident/Registered Agent: The Resident/Registered Agent, or Direct owner, etc. must be listed under the Resident/Registered Agent section of the Company Form (MU1) and must match the information currently on record with Puerto Rico Secretary of State.	NMLS
	Primary Contact Employees: The following individuals must be entered into the Contact Employees section of the Company Form (MU1). 1. Primary Company Contact. 2. Primary Consumer Complaint Contact.	NMLS

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	Non-Primary Contact Employees: [Puerto Rico] requires that an individual(s) be identified as a Non-Primary Contact for the following areas. These contacts must be listed in the Contact Employees section of the Company Form (MU1). 1. Licensing 2. Consumer Complaint (Regulator) 3. Pre-Exam Contact	NMLS
Note	Bank Account: Bank account information is not required. The <i>Bank Account</i> section of the Company Form (MU1) can be left blank.	N/A
	Disclosure Questions: Provide a complete and detailed explanation and document upload for each "Yes" response to Disclosure Questions made by the company or related control persons (MU2). See the Company Disclosure Explanations Quick Guide for instructions.	Upload in NMLS in the Disclosure Explanations section of the Company Form (MU1) or Individual Form (MU2).
	Qualifying Individual: This is the individual who is employed by the licensee and has principal managerial authority over the provision of debt management services by the licensee in Puerto Rico. This individual must be listed in the Qualifying Individual section of Company Form (MU1).	NMLS
	Control Person (MU2) Attestation: Complete the Individual Form (MU2) in NMLS. This form must be attested to by the applicable control person before it is able to be submitted along with the Company Form (MU1).	NMLS
Note	Credit Report: Individuals in a position of control are NOT required to authorize a credit report through NMLS.	N/A
Note	MU2 Individual FBI Criminal Background Check Not Required Through NMLS: Direct Owners/Executive Officers, Indirect Owners, and Qualifying Individuals are NOT required to authorize a FBI criminal background check (CBC) through NMLS.	N/A

REQUIREMENTS/DOCUMENTS UPLOADED IN NMLS			
Complete	PR Debt Management Services License	Submitted via	
No company documents are required to be uploaded into NMLS for this license/registration at this time.			
INDIVIDUAL (MU2) DOCUMENTS UPLOADED IN NMLS			
No individual (MU2) documents are required to be uploaded into NMLS for this license/registration at this time.			

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REQUIREMENTS SUBMITTED OUTSIDE OF NMLS		
Complete	PR Debt Management Services License	Submitted via

No items are required to be submitted outside of NMLS for this license/registration at this time.

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