

The Mortgage Collaborative Adds Three New Board Members, 45 Lender Members and Grows Attendance at 2019 Winter Conference

SAN DIEGO, Calif., March 13, 2019 (SEND2PRESS NEWSWIRE) – The Mortgage Collaborative, a fast-growing independent mortgage cooperative of banks, credit unions and mortgage bankers, continues growth initiatives by adding three new mortgage executives to its Board of Directors. The new board members were voted in at their bi-annual member conference held in Austin, Texas. The announcement of the new board members comes in conjunction with an addition of 45 new lender members joining the cooperative in 2018 as well as a significant increase in lender members attending their 2019 winter conference.



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“We’re ecstatic to have Jason Madiedo, President and CEO of Alterra Group, assume the role of chairman of the board. Joining him on the Board of Directors will be Greg Grojean, Division President for Home State Bank, N.A.; Steven Milner, Founder and CEO of US Mortgage Corporation; and Julie Piepho,

President of National Operations for Cornerstone Home Lending,” said founding member, David Kittle.

Jason Madiedo who is currently on The Mortgage Collaborative Board of Directors is taking on a new role as chairman. His 20+ years in the mortgage industry developing programs for underserved markets and leading business divisions with compassion and a focus on delivering results will be a huge asset for the organization moving forward. Prior to joining The Mortgage Collaborative board of directors, he served as national president for the National Association for Hispanic Real Estate Professionals (NAHREP) – Nevada.

Greg Grojean is a veteran in the mortgage industry with 35+ years of experience. He currently serves as President for Home State Bank in Crystal Lake, Illinois. There he serves on the executive team and manages the bank’s residential mortgage division, which includes all residential mortgage origination, operations and servicing functions. In the past he’s served on various boards, including the Illinois Mortgage Bankers Association.

Steven Milner founded US Mortgage Corporation in 1994. The company currently has 300 employees, 33 branches nationwide and conducts business in 48 states including Washington D.C. With almost 40 years of experience in mortgage banking, Steven holds 51 individual Mortgage Loan Originator licenses and has originated close to \$5 billion in mortgage loans over his career.

Julie Piepho, CMB, has over 40 years of experience in the mortgage industry. She’s currently the President of National Operations for Cornerstone Home Lending. Prior to that she served in several executive positions for Norwest Mortgage and Wells Fargo. She’s past chairman of the Colorado Board of Mortgage Loan Originators, Colorado Mortgage Lenders Association and is a current member of the Board of Directors for the Mortgage Bankers of America (MBA). In addition, Julie has received numerous industry awards from the MBA, MORPAC, HousingWire and the Colorado Mortgage Lenders Association.

The Mortgage Collaborative provides its members with access to products and services that help reduce costs, improve compliance and better manage their businesses. Its preferred partner network consists of product and service providers across the mortgage origination ecosystem.

“The Mortgage Collaborative’s core purpose is to create an environment of collaboration for our members, and that begins with listening to and learning from our lender members on what matters the most in today’s challenging market. These new board members bring a wealth of knowledge and expertise that will help guide the activities and services we offer small and medium sized lenders,” said Jim Park, CEO and Partner for The Mortgage Collaborative.

About The Mortgage Collaborative:

Based in San Diego, The Mortgage Collaborative was founded in 2013 to empower mortgage lenders across the country with better financial execution, reduced

costs, enhanced expertise and improved compliance to help its members access the dynamic and changing consumer base in America. The association is managed by its founding members: John Robbins, CMB; David Kittle, CMB; Gary Acosta, CEO of the National Association of Hispanic Real Estate Professionals (NAHREP); and Jim Park, former chair of the Asian Real Estate Association of America (AREAA). Robbins and Kittle are former chairmen of the Mortgage Bankers Association of America (MBA).

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