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Instead of attending another lecture, learn from the guy who writes the FAR/BAR Contract!*

Working with Critical Dates



Question 1: The Effective Date of your Contract is March 23, 2019. Calculate the critical dates given the below scenario:

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26*	Ζ.	PURCHASE PRICE (U.S. currency):	500,000.00
27*		(a) Initial deposit to be held in escrow in the amount of (checks subject to COLLECTION)\$	10,000.00
28		The initial deposit made payable and delivered to "Escrow Agent" named below	
29*		(CHECK ONE): (i) Caccompanies offer or (ii) 🛛 is to be made within (if left	
30		blank, then 3) days after Effective Date. IF NEITHER BOX IS CHECKED, THEN	
31		OPTION (ii) SHALL BE DEEMED SELECTED.	
32*		Escrow Agent Information: Name: ASSOCIATION TITLE SERVICES	
33*		Address: 1 EAST BROWARD BOULEVARD, SUITE 1800, FTL, FLORIDA 33301	
34*		Phone: <u>954-364-6045</u> E-mail: <u>smarcus@association-title.com</u> Fax:	
35*		(b) Additional deposit to be delivered to Escrow Agent within (if left blank, then 10)	
36*		days after Effective Date\$	40,000.00
37		(All deposits paid or agreed to be paid, are collectively referred to as the "Deposit")	
38*		(c) Financing: Express as a dollar amount or percentage ("Loan Amount") see Paragraph 8	400,000.00
39*		(d) Other:\$	
40		(e) Balance to close (not including Buyer's closing costs, prepaids and prorations) by wire	
41*		transfer or other COLLECTED funds	50,000.00

PURCHASE PRICE AND CLOSING

81 8. FINANCING:

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(a) Buyer will pay cash for the purchase of the Property at Closing. There is no financing contingency to Buyer's 82* obligation to close. If Buver obtains a loan for any part of the Purchase Price of the Property, Buver acknowledges 83 that any terms and conditions imposed by Buyer's lender(s) or by CFPB Requirements shall not affect or extend 84 the Buyer's obligation to close or otherwise affect any terms or conditions of this Contract. 85 🛛 (b) This Contract is contingent upon Buver obtaining approval of a 🖾 conventional 🗆 FHA 🗆 VA or 🗆 other 86* (describe) loan within (if left blank, then 30) days after Effective Date ("Loan Approval 87* Period") for (CHECK ONE): A fixed, adjustable, fixed or adjustable rate in the Loan Amount (See Paragraph 88* 2(c)), at an initial interest rate not to exceed % (if left blank, then prevailing rate based upon Buyer's 89* creditworthiness), and for a term of (if left blank, then 30) years ("Financing"). 90* (i) Buyer shall make mortgage loan application for the Financing within (if left blank, then 5) days 91* after Effective Date and use good faith and diligent effort to obtain approval of a loan meeting the Financing terms 92 93 ("Loan Approval") and thereafter to close this Contract. Loan Approval which requires a condition related to the sale by Buyer of other property shall not be deemed Loan Approval for purposes of this subparagraph. 94

420	F. TIME: Calendar days shall be used in computing time periods. Time is of the essence in this Contract. Other
421	than time for acceptance and Effective Date as set forth in Paragraph 3, any time periods provided for or dates
422	specified in this Contract, whether preprinted, handwritten, typewritten or inserted herein, which shall end or occur
423	on a Saturday, Sunday, or a national legal holiday (see 5 U.S.C. 6103) shall extend to 5:00 p.m. (where the Property
424	is located) of the next business day.

- 50 4. CLOSING DATE: Unless modified by other provisions of this Contract, the closing of this transaction shall occur
- and the closing documents required to be furnished by each party pursuant to this Contract shall be delivered
- ("Closing") on the 45th day after the Effective Date ("Closing Date"), at the time established by the Closing Agent.

248 12. PROPERTY INSPECTION; RIGHT TO CANCEL:

(a) PROPERTY INSPECTIONS AND RIGHT TO CANCEL: Buyer shall have <u>15</u> (if left blank, then 15) days after Effective Date ("Inspection Period") within which to have such inspections of the Property performed as Buyer shall desire during the Inspection Period. If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole discretion, that the Property is not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering written notice of such election to Seller prior to expiration of Inspection Period. If Buyer and Seller shall be released of all further obligations under this Contract; however, Buyer shall be responsible for prompt payment for such inspections, for repair of damage to, and restoration of, the Property resulting from such inspections, and shall provide Seller with paid receipts for all work done on the Property (the preceding provision shall survive termination of this Contract). Unless Buyer exercises the right to terminate granted herein, Buyer accepts the physical condition of the Property and any violation of governmental, building, environmental, and safety codes, restrictions, or requirements, but subject to Seller's continuing AS IS Maintenance Requirement, and Buyer shall be responsible for any and all repairs and improvements required by Buyer's lender.



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• Deposit 1:

- Inspection Period: • March 26, 2019
 - April 8, 2019 (by 5:00pm) April 7th is a Sunday
- Deposit 2:
 - April 2, 2019
- Loan Application:
 - March 27, 2019
- Loan Approval:
 - March 28, 2019
- Closing Date:
 - May 7, 2019



Question 2: The Effective Date of your Contract is March 22, 2019. Calculate the critical dates given the below scenario:

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36*		days after Effective Date	\$ 40,000.00	257
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40 41*		(e) Balance to close (not including Buyer's closing costs, prepaids and prorations) by wire transfer or other COLLECTED funds.	\$ 50.000.00	261
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• Deposit 1:

- March 25, 2019
- Deposit 2:
 - April 1, 2019
- Loan Application:
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 - March 27, 2019

- Inspection Period:
 - April 8, 2019 (by 5:00pm) April 6th is a Saturday
- Loan Approval:
 - April 22, 2019 (by 5:00pm) April 21st is a Sunday
- oplication: Closing Date:
 - May 6, 2019



Working with the Contract



Question 3: You are the Buyer's agent. The inspections are complete and the home needs a new roof. You received a quote from your roof inspector in the amount of \$20,000.00. You send the Seller's agent a written request for a credit of \$20,000.00. The Seller's agent responds in writing that "[she] believes she can get your buyer a \$10,000.00 credit." Your Buyer wants the full \$20,000.00 credit. The Inspection Period ends today (assume for the sake of this questions that "today" is a business day). What do you do?

- 248 12. PROPERTY INSPECTION; RIGHT TO CANCEL:
- (a) **PROPERTY INSPECTIONS AND RIGHT TO CANCEL: Buyer shall have** 15 (if left blank, then 15) 249* days after Effective Date ("Inspection Period") within which to have such inspections of the Property 250 performed as Buyer shall desire during the Inspection Period. If Buyer determines, in Buyer's sole 251 discretion, that the Property is not acceptable to Buyer, Buyer may terminate this Contract by delivering 252 written notice of such election to Seller prior to expiration of Inspection Period. If Buyer timely 253 terminates this Contract, the Deposit paid shall be returned to Buyer, thereupon, Buyer and Seller shall 254 be released of all further obligations under this Contract; however, Buyer shall be responsible for 255 prompt payment for such inspections, for repair of damage to, and restoration of, the Property resulting 256 from such inspections, and shall provide Seller with paid receipts for all work done on the Property (the 257 preceding provision shall survive termination of this Contract). Unless Buyer exercises the right to 258 terminate granted herein, Buyer accepts the physical condition of the Property and any violation of 259 governmental, building, environmental, and safety codes, restrictions, or requirements, but subject to 260 Seller's continuing AS IS Maintenance Requirement, and Buyer shall be responsible for any and all 261 repairs and improvements required by Buyer's lender. 262



- 1. Discuss with your Buyer and suggest an extension to the Inspection Period so that the parties have time to finalize the negotiations.
- 2. If the Seller will not extend the Inspection Period and an agreement cannot be reached (meaning an addendum of contract is signed granting the Buyer the credit), you need to advise your Buyer in writing that the only way to protect their deposit is to terminate the Contract.
- 3. So long as your Buyer has approved in writing that you have authority to terminate the Contract in the event an agreement cannot be reached, you need to send the Seller's agent written notice indicating that:

"Please be advised, that in the event an addendum to the Contract is not executed by both parties today, granting the Buyer an acceptable repair credit, this written notification shall serve as Buyer's written notice under 12(a) of the Contract of Buyer's election to terminate the Contract within the Inspection Period."



Question 4: You are the Buyer's agent. The inspections are complete and the home needs a new roof. You received a quote from your roof inspector in the amount of \$20,000.00. You send the Seller's agent a written request for a credit of \$20,000.00. The Seller's agent responds in writing that "[she] believes she can get your buyer a \$10,000.00 credit." Your Buyer wants the full \$20,000.00 credit. *The Seller's agent will not extend the Inspection Period.* The Inspection Period ends today (assume for the sake of this questions that "today" is a business day). What do you do?

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- 1. Advise your Buyer that the Seller will not grant an extension to the Inspection Period and that the parties are \$10,000.00 apart. Advise your Buyer in writing that the only way to protect their deposit is to terminate the Contract if an agreement cannot be reached.
- 2. So long as your Buyer has approved in writing that you have authority to terminate the Contract in the event an agreement cannot be reached, you need to send the Seller's agent written notice indicating that:

"Please be advised, that in the event an addendum to the Contract is not executed by the parties today, granting the Buyer an acceptable repair credit, this correspondence shall serve as Buyer's written notice under Section 12(a) of the Contract of Buyer's election to terminate the Contract within the Inspection Period."



Loan Approval



Question 5: You are Buyer's agent. The Loan Approval Period expires today (assume for the sake of this question that "today" is a business day). The Buyer's loan officer has not sent you a Loan Approval. What do you do?

81	8.	FINANCING:
82*		(a) Buyer will pay cash for the purchase of the Property at Closing. There is no financing contingency to Buyer's
83		obligation to close. If Buyer obtains a loan for any part of the Purchase Price of the Property, Buyer acknowledges
84		that any terms and conditions imposed by Buyer's lender(s) or by CFPB Requirements shall not affect or extend
85		the Buyer's obligation to close or otherwise affect any terms or conditions of this Contract.
86*		🛛 (b) This Contract is contingent upon Buyer obtaining approval of a 🖾 conventional 🗆 FHA 🗆 VA or 🗆 other
87*		(describe) loan within (if left blank, then 30) days after Effective Date ("Loan Approval
88*		Period") for (CHECK ONE): X fixed, I adjustable, fixed or adjustable rate in the Loan Amount (See Paragraph
89*		2(c)), at an initial interest rate not to exceed % (if left blank, then prevailing rate based upon Buyer's
90*		creditworthiness), and for a term of (if left blank, then 30) years ("Financing").
91*		(i) Buyer shall make mortgage loan application for the Financing within (if left blank, then 5) days
92		after Effective Date and use good faith and diligent effort to obtain approval of a loan meeting the Financing terms
93		("Loan Approval") and thereafter to close this Contract. Loan Approval which requires a condition related to the sale
94		by Buyer of other property shall not be deemed Loan Approval for purposes of this subparagraph.
95		Buyer's failure to use diligent effort to obtain Loan Approval during the Loan Approval Period shall be considered a
96		default under the terms of this Contract. For purposes of this provision, "diligent effort" includes, but is not limited
97		to, timely furnishing all documents and information and paying of all fees and charges requested by Buyer's
98		mortgage broker and lender in connection with Buyer's mortgage loan application.
99		(ii) Buyer shall keep Seller and Broker fully informed about the status of Buyer's mortgage loan application,
100		Loan Approval, and loan processing and authorizes Buyer's mortgage broker, lender, and Closing Agent to disclose
101		such status and progress, and release preliminary and finally executed closing disclosures and settlement
102		statements, to Seller and Broker.
103		(iii) Upon Buyer obtaining Loan Approval, Buyer shall promptly deliver written notice of such approval to Seller.
104		(iv) If Buyer is unable to obtain Loan Approval after the exercise of diligent effort, then at any time prior to
105		expiration of the Loan Approval Period, Buyer may provide written notice to Seller stating that Buyer has been
106		unable to obtain Loan Approval and has elected to either:
107		waive Loan Approval, in which event this Contract will continue as if Loan Approval had been obtained; or
108		(2) terminate this Contract.
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Advise your Buyer in writing of the following:

- 1. The deadline for their Loan Approval is today.
- 2. Contact their Loan Officer and request a Loan Approval.
- 3. Once they obtain the Loan Approval, they are to review it for conditions.
- 4. If the Loan Approval is conditional, they are to review those conditions with their loan officer and make a determination whether those conditions are easy to resolve or may result in a denial.
- 5. The only way to protect their deposit is to (1) extend the Loan Approval Period or (2) terminate the Contract if an extension cannot be reached.



Question 6: Your Buyer received Loan Approval on 2/4. The Closing Date is 2/10. The property appraisal comes in on 2/7 and the Property appraises at \$50k beneath sale price. What contractual provision controls and what do you do?

(vii) If Loan Approval has been obtained, or deemed to have been obtained, as provided above, and Buyer
 fails to close this Contract, then the Deposit shall be paid to Seller unless failure to close is due to: (1) Seller's
 default or inability to satisfy other contingencies of this Contract; (2) Property related conditions of the Loan Approval
 have not been met (except when such conditions are waived by other provisions of this Contract); or (3) appraisal
 of the Property obtained by Buyer's lender is insufficient to meet terms of the Loan Approval, in which event(s) the
 Buyer shall be refunded the Deposit, thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this
 Contract.



- 1. Speak with your Buyer first and advise them that because the Loan Approval was obtained, the only "out" is if the appraisal of the property is insufficient to meet the terms of the Loan Approval.
- Speak with Buyer and Buyer's lender so that the Buyer's lender can draft a letter indicating that the appraisal of the property is <u>insufficient to</u> <u>meet the terms of the Loan Approval</u>.
- 3. Send the listing agent the appraisal and the letter from the lender and request a price reduction to the appraised value.



Question 7: Your Buyer is ready to close. You are at the walk-through and during the walk-through you notice the wood floors are a bit damp. The listing agent tells you: "oh, yes, the toilet overflowed, however it is now repaired." Your Buyer looks closer and sees that the wood floors have buckeld in the area where the moisture was located. What provision of the Contract controls and what do you do?

- (b) WALK-THROUGH INSPECTION/RE-INSPECTION: On the day prior to Closing Date, or on Closing Date prior
 to time of Closing, as specified by Buyer, Buyer or Buyer's representative may perform a walk-through (and
 follow-up walk-through, if necessary) inspection of the Property solely to confirm that all items of Personal
 Property are on the Property and to verify that Seller has maintained the Property as required by the AS IS
 Maintenance Requirement and has met all other contractual obligations.
- M. RISK OF LOSS: If, after Effective Date, but before Closing, Property is damaged by fire or other casualty
 ("Casualty Loss") and cost of restoration (which shall include cost of pruning or removing damaged trees) does not
 exceed 1.5% of Purchase Price, cost of restoration shall be an obligation of Seller and Closing shall proceed
 pursuant to terms of this Contract. If restoration is not completed as of Closing, a sum equal to 125% of estimated

cost to complete restoration (not to exceed 1.5% of Purchase Price) will be escrowed at Closing. If actual cost of
 restoration exceeds escrowed amount, Seller shall pay such actual costs (but, not in excess of 1.5% of Purchase
 Price). Any unused portion of escrowed amount shall be returned to Seller. If cost of restoration exceeds 1.5% of
 Purchase Price, Buyer shall elect to either take Property "as is" together with the 1.5%, or receive a refund of the
 Deposit thereby releasing Buyer and Seller from all further obligations under this Contract. Seller's sole obligation
 with respect to tree damage by casualty or other natural occurrence shall be cost of pruning or removal.



- 1. Two provisions: 12(b) and the Risk of Loss section of the contract control.
- 2. The condition of the property cannot change after contracting normal wear and tear accepted.
- 3. You need to find out how much it will cost to remedy the problem (i.e., replace portion of floor) and need to place Seller on notice that there is a problem and the cost to repair the problem and advise seller that it is their responsibility.



Question 8: Buyer signs all documents at Closing. Buyer delivers all Buyer's money to the title agent. Buyer's Lender delivers the loan proceeds however the lender requires the title agent obtain a funding number. It's 5pm and the title agent cannot reach the lender for funding number. The Buyer has done everything asked of them – can Buyer have the keys?

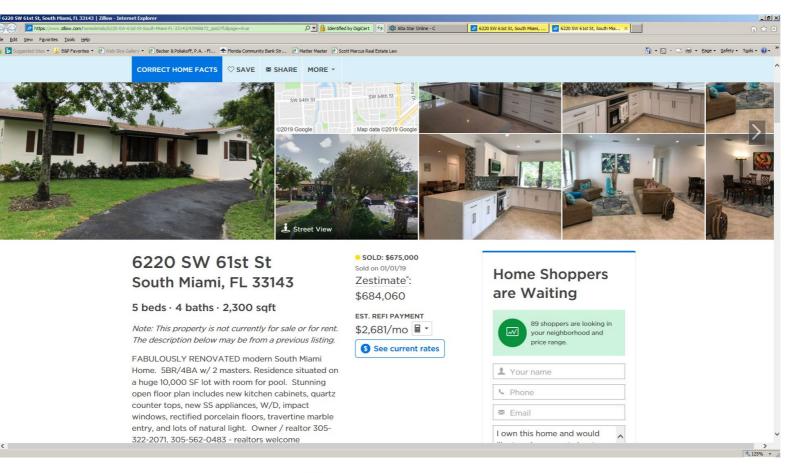




No. Buyer's funds (i.e., lender's funds) were not available and therefore closing has not occurred.



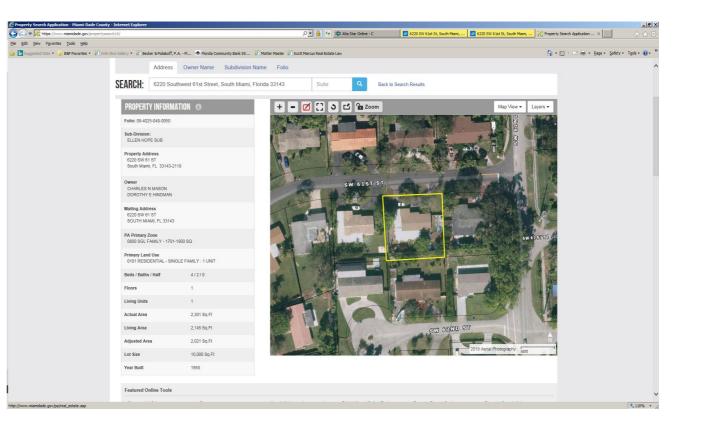
Question 9: Client is interested in purchasing this home below. Using all records available to you (public or otherwise) what source would you use to confirm the number of beds/baths?





Answer

You should always look at the tax rolls and compare the number of bedrooms/bathrooms in the actual home to that on the tax rolls.





Questions? Comments?

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