



# Castillo Joins First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation as Creative Director

TYSONS CORNER, VIRGINIA, April 28, 2014 – First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation (FGMC), a Virginia Corporation, announced today that **Ritchel Castillo has joined the company as Creative Director**. Mr. Castillo’s professional career includes 12+ years of financial services and e-commerce experience, including 5+ years with the **National Basketball Association, Global Merchandising Group**, where he was the lead designer for all **NBAStore.com** e-commerce creative initiatives.

“We’re ecstatic to have attracted someone with the level of experience and creative capabilities as Ritchel Castillo.” said **Richard S. Donine, Senior Vice President – National Marketing Director, First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation**. “Ritchel is incredibly talented. He brings FGMC the creative infusion to synchronize with our companywide strategic initiatives.”

Prior to joining First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation, Mr. Castillo’s professional career includes Senior Manager, E-Commerce Creative with the **National Basketball Association, Global Merchandising Group**; Web/HTML Designer at Stearns Lending; Senior Graphic Designer at **People’s Choice Home Loan, Inc.**, and Marketing Web/Graphic Designer at **Max Group Corporation**. Mr. Castillo received his AS, Computer Graphics & Animation, from The Art Institute of Los Angeles – Santa Monica.

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## About First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation

Celebrating **25 years** of exceptional nationwide residential lending services, First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation (FGMC), is recognized for its diligent commitment to their Wholesale, Correspondent and Retail origination channels. Together with First Guaranty’s Capital Markets and

Warehouse Lending Divisions, FGMC provides a full spectrum of lending products and services throughout the 42 states and the District of Columbia, where licenses are held.

First Guaranty Mortgage Corporation is a national approved Single Family Issuer for Ginnie Mae (Government National Mortgage Association); an approved FNMA MBS Issuer (Federal National Mortgage Association); approved by HUD (United States Department of Housing and Urban Development); an FHA approved lending institution (Federal Housing Administration); approved for VA (United States Department of Veterans Affairs); and approved by USDA (United States Department of Agriculture).

First Guaranty utilizes the highest and most current level of cloud-based development for their residential mortgage technology. This extraordinary platform facilitates a streamlined, highly functional origination process that is exceedingly reliable for its clients across all business channels. First Guaranty received **Ellie Mae's 2013 Award for Exceptional Customization of Encompass**. This recognition was for their innovative and creative use of Ellie Mae technology, distinguishing First Guaranty in a highly competitive and challenging marketplace. First Guaranty has been recognized by Mortgage Technology Magazine as a "Top Tech-Savvy Lender" for three consecutive years (2011, 2012 and 2013).

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