Top 10 Reasons Realtors Get Convicted for Mortgage Fraud (HUD / Federal Cases)

- 1. False income, employment, or asset information (e.g., fake pay stubs, fictitious employers).
- 2. Use of straw buyers or false identity to conceal the true borrower.
- 3. False down payment or gift letters, misrepresenting source of funds.
- 4. Appraisal fraud or inflated property valuations in collusion with appraisers.
- 5. False statements to lenders or HUD on applications (e.g., occupancy, debts, credit).
- 6. Occupancy fraud by misrepresenting intent to live in the property.
- 7. Collusion with other parties (lenders, appraisers, title companies, inspectors).
- 8. Use of forged or falsified documents (e.g., bank statements, tax returns).
- 9. Property flipping with inflated resale values and little to no improvements.
- 10. Conspiracy and fraud-for-profit schemes involving multiple parties.

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