Ten great reasons why you should talk to a mortgage broker

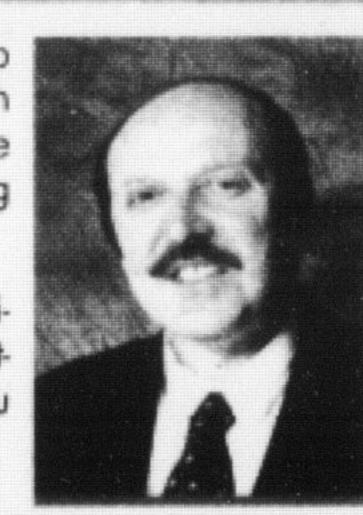
- A home is the biggest purchase most of us will ever make. And a mortgage can be a powerful financial tool. No surprise, then, that a growing number of Canadians have started to ask some smart questions about their mortgage. In fact, in 2011, 48 per cent of new homebuyers arranged their mortgages through a mortgage broker, up from 45 per cent in 2009 and 35 per cent in 2007 (2011 CMHC consumer survey). Why? Here are 10 great reasons:
- 1. Chaice. A broker has access to mortgages from a huge range of lenders - so their clients have by far the best choice of rates and mortgage options. With partnerships in a vast network of over 50 lending institutions, including banks, credit unions, trusts, national and regional lenders, and non-traditional lenders, your broker can help design the perfect mortgage for you.
- 2. Independence and objectivity. A mortgage broker actually works for you, not for any one lender. That kind of objectivity means that you - the client - are the focus. They fit the mortgage to the client, not the other way around.
- 3. Negotiating power. Mortgage brokers have negotiating power because the lenders compete for their business. You'll get the best rate for your situation.
- 4. Access to rate promotions. You may not realize it, but there are sales and promotions in the mortgage world, too. Lenders often offer special rate promotions, for example. Your broker will know about these special offers, and whether they might work in your situation.
- 5. Expertise. An AMP-designated mortgage broker is

are mortgages for almost any situation. And your independent mortgage broker knows them all.

- 6. A facused specialist. A mortgage is a very signifi- gage broker who is trained and ready to help you cant financial event. Mortgage brokers are in only one achieve your financial and homeownership goals. business, and they do it exceedingly well. That's what you want: someone who's focused on the mortgage marketplace and your needs.
- 7. Rates. Getting a lower rate can potentially save you thousands of dollars. That's why more homeowners are more likely to call a mortgage broker to check out their options for their first mortgage and at renewal. Call early; your mortgage broker can usually guarantee an interest rate for 90-120 days.
- 8. One credit inquiry. Rate-shopping on your own can actually be hazardous to your credit. Every time a lender checks your credit, the credit bureaus take notice. Too many inquiries and your credit rating can weaken, possibly affecting the rate and terms of your mortgage. Your broker does one inquiry only, regardless how many lenders you're looking at.
- 9. No cost to you (a.a.c). As a rule, the winning lender pays compensation to your broker for the services and solution provided.
- 10. Personal attention. You need a mortgage plan that is a custom fit for you, and a broker who keeps in

a financial specialist. That's the kind of expertise you touch with you during your mortgage years. Keep want to guide you through today's plentiful mortgage in mind that their business is built primarily through market. With mortgages for entrepreneurs, new Ca- referrals from satisfied customers, so your positive nadians, investment properties, vacation homes, credit mortgage experience is essential for their ongoing repair and debt consolidation solutions, today there business growth.

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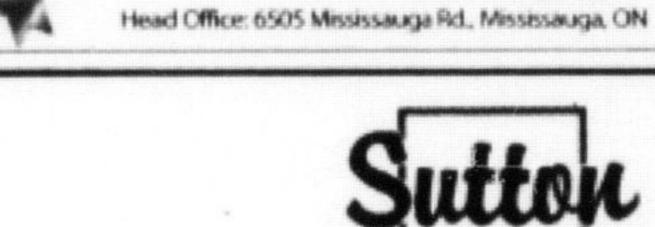
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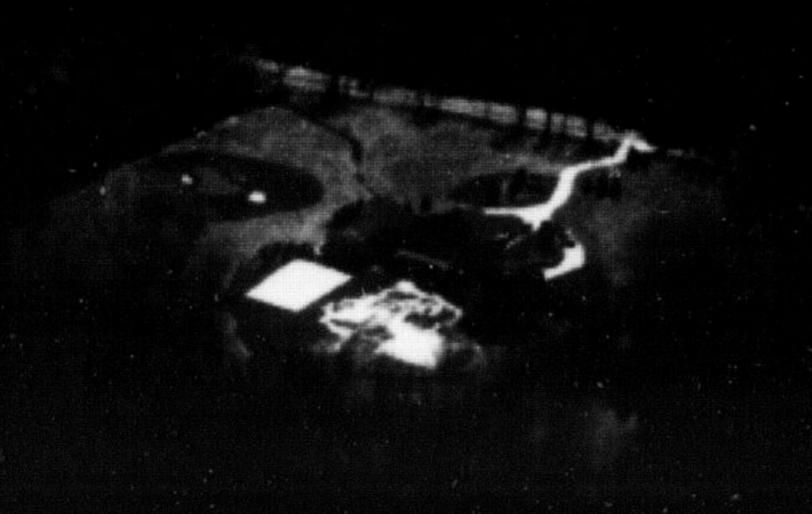
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