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BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

MICHELLE CELESTE PETRUZZELLI,

In the Matter of the Accusation of

No. H-3018 SAC

Respondent.

ORDER DENYING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE BUT GRANTING RIGHT TO A RESTRICTED LICENSE

On June 8, 1995, in Case No. H-3018 SAC, a Decision was rendered revoking the real estate salesperson license of Respondent effective June 28, 1995, but granting Respondent the right to the issuance of a restricted real estate salesperson license. A restricted real estate salesperson license was issued to Respondent on July 18, 1995.

On October 10, 2012, in Case No. H-5317 SAC, a Decision was rendered revoking the restricted real estate salesperson license of Respondent effective November 1, 2012.

On July 14, 2015, Respondent petitioned for reinstatement of said real estate salesperson license, and the Attorney General of the State of California has been given notice of the filing of said petition.

The burden of proving rehabilitation rests with the petitioner (Feinstein v. State Bar (1952) 39 Cal. 2d 541). A petitioner is required to show greater proof of honesty and integrity than an applicant for first time licensure. The proof must be sufficient to overcome the

prior adverse judgment on the applicant's character (Tardiff v. State Bar (1980) 27 Cal. 3d 395).

I have considered Respondent's petition and the evidence submitted in support thereof.

The Bureau has developed criteria in Section 2911 of Title 10, California Code of Regulations (Regulations) to assist in evaluating the rehabilitation of an applicant for reinstatement of a license. Among the criteria relevant in this proceeding are:

Regulation 2911(k) Correction of business practices resulting in injury to others or with the potential to cause such injury.

Respondent has not had the opportunity to demonstrate correction of business practices.

Respondent has failed to demonstrate to my satisfaction that Respondent has undergone sufficient rehabilitation to warrant the reinstatement of Respondent's unrestricted real estate salesperson license.

I am satisfied, however, that it will not be against the public interest to issue a restricted real estate salesperson license to Respondent.

A restricted real estate salesperson license shall be issued to Respondent pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business and Professions Code, if Respondent satisfies the following conditions prior to and as a condition of obtaining a restricted real estate salesperson license within twelve (12) months from the effective date of this Order:

- 1. Respondent shall qualify for, take and pass the real estate salesperson license examination.
- 2. Submittal of a completed application and payment of the fee for a real estate salesperson license.

The restricted license issued to Respondent shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of that Code:

| | Α. | The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to |
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| hearing by C | order of | the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent's conviction or |
| plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or | | |
| capacity as a | real es | tate licensee. |

- B. The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- C. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor the removal of any of the limitations, conditions or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the date of the issuance of the restricted license to Respondent.
- D. Respondent shall submit with any application for license under an employing broker, or any application for transfer to a new employing broker, a statement signed by the prospective employing real estate broker on a form approved by the Bureau of Real Estate which shall certify:
- 1. That the employing broker has read the Decision of the Commissioner which granted the right to a restricted license; and
- 2. That the employing broker will exercise close supervision over the performance by the restricted licensee relating to activities for which a real estate license is required.
- E. Respondent shall notify the Commissioner in writing within 72 hours of any arrest by sending a certified letter to the Commissioner at the Bureau of Real Estate, Post Office Box 137007, Sacramento, CA 95813-7007. The letter shall set forth the date of Respondent's arrest, the crime for which Respondent was arrested and the name and address of the arresting law enforcement agency. Respondent's failure to timely file written notice shall

constitute an independent violation of the terms of the restricted license and shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of that license.

This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on OCT 1 7 2016

IT IS SO ORDERED 9/22/16

REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

By: DANIEL SANDRI Assistant Commissioner