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8	BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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12	In the Matter of the Accusation of: ) Case No. H-12104 SF
13	Z & M ASSOCIATES, INC., and)STIPULATION AND AGREEMENTMOISE NAHOURAII,)IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER
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15	Respondents. )
16	It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondents Z & M ASSOCIATES, INC.
17	("Z & M"), acting by a through Z & M's counsel, Frank M. Buda, MOISE NAHOURAII
18	("NAHOURAII"), acting by and through NAHOURAII's counsel, Frank M. Buda, and the
19	Complainant, acting by and through Jason D. Lazark, Counsel for the Bureau of Real Estate, as
20	follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on June 13, 2017, in
21	this matter:
22	1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be
23	presented by Complainant and Respondents Z & M and NAHOURAII (collectively referred to
24	herein as "Respondents") at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be held
25	in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead
26	and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and
27	Agreement In Settlement and Order ("Stipulation and Agreement").

2. Respondents have received, read and understand the Statements to 2 Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Bureau of 3 Real Estate in this proceeding.

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4 3. Respondents filed Notices of Defense pursuant to Section 11505 of the 5 Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. 6 Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notices of Defense. Respondents 7 acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notices of Defense they will 8 thereby waive their rights to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the 9 Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that 10 they will waive other rights afforded to them in connection with the hearing such as the right to 11 present evidence in defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine 12 witnesses.

13 4. This Stipulation and Agreement is based on the factual allegations contained 14 in the Accusation. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to 15 contest these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result thereof, 16 these factual statements will serve as a prima facie basis for the "Determination of Issues" and 17 "Order" set forth below. The Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence 18 to prove such allegations.

19 5. This Stipulation and Agreement is made for the purpose of reaching an 20 agreed disposition of this proceeding and is expressly limited to this proceeding and any other 21 proceeding or case in which the Bureau, the state or federal government, any agency of this 22 state, or an agency of another state is involved.

23 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt 24 the Stipulation and Agreement as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalties 25 and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the below 26 "Order." In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation 27 and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondents shall retain the right to a

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1 hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the APA and shall not be 2 bound by any admission or waiver made herein.

3 7. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made 4 pursuant to this Stipulation and Agreement shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to 5 any further administrative or civil proceedings by the Bureau of Real Estate with respect to any 6 matters which were not specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

7 8. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, 8 Respondents agree to be responsible for jointly and severally paying, pursuant to Section 10148 9 of the California Business and Professions Code ("the Code"), the costs of the audit which 10 resulted in the determination that Respondents committed the trust fund violation(s) found in the 11 Determination of Issues. The amount of such costs is \$4,814.20.

12 9. Respondents further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and 13 Agreement, the findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues become final, and that the 14 Commissioner may charge Respondents for the costs of any audit conducted pursuant to Section 15 10148 of the Code to determine if the violations have been corrected and hold Respondents 16 responsible for jointly and severally paying the costs of the follow up audit. The maximum costs 17 of said audit shall not exceed \$6,017.75.

18 10. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, 19 Respondents agree to be responsible for jointly and severally paying, pursuant to Section 10106 20 of the Code, the costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case which resulted in the 21 determination that Respondents committed the violation(s) found in the Determination of Issues. 22 The amount of such costs is \$2,399.90.

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## **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

24 By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions and waivers, and solely for 25 the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed 26 that the following determination of issues shall be made: 27

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1	I.
2	The acts and omissions of Z & M, as described in the Accusation, are grounds for
3	the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Z & M under the provisions of
4	Sections 10177(d) and 10177(g) of the Code, in conjunction with Sections 10140.6, 10145,
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6	2834 of Title 10 of the California Code of Regulations ("the Regulations").
7	II.
8	The acts and omissions of NAHOURAII, as described in the Accusation, are
9	grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of NAHOURAII
10	under the provisions of Sections 10159.2, 10177(d), 10177(g), and 10177(h) of the Code, in
11	conjunction with Sections 10140.6, 10145, 10145(g), 10159.5, and 10163 of the Code, and
12	Sections 2725, 2731, 2773, 2831.1, 2832, 2832.1, and 2834 of the Regulations.
13	ORDER
14	I. <u>AS TO Z &amp; M</u>
15	All licenses and licensing rights of Z & M under the Real Estate Law are
16	suspended for a period of ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Order; provided,
17	however, that:
18	1. Forty-five (45) days of said suspension shall be stayed upon the condition that
19	Z & M petitions pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code and pays a monetary penalty pursuant
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1	b. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license
2	of Z & M occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Order in this matter.
3	c. If Z & M fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the
4	terms and conditions of the Decision, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the
5	immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension, in which event, Z & M shall not
6	be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the Bureau
7	under the terms of this decision.
8	d. If Z & M pays the monetary penalty, and if no further cause for
9	disciplinary action against the real estate license of Z & M occurs within two (2) years from the
10	effective date of the Decision herein, then the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.
11	2. The remaining forty-five (45) days of said suspension shall also be stayed for
12	two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:
13	a. Z & M shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights,
14	duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California, and
15	b. That no final subsequent determination be made, after hearing or
16	upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the
17	effective date of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in
18	his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed
19	suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become
20	permanent.
21	II. <u>AS TO NAHOURAII</u>
22	All licenses and licensing rights of NAHOURAII under the Real Estate Law are
23	suspended for a period of ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Order; provided,
24	however, that:
25	1. Forty-five (45) days of said suspension shall be stayed upon the condition that
26	NAHOURAII petitions pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code and pays a monetary penalty
27	pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code, at a rate of \$50 for each day of the suspension, for a
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1 total monetary penalty of \$2,250.00.

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2	a. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to
3	the Bureau of Real Estate. Said check must be delivered to the Bureau of Real Estate, Flag
4	Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the effective date of this
5	Order.
6	b. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license
7	of NAHOURAII occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Order in this matter.
8	c. If NAHOURAII fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with
9	the terms and conditions of the Decision, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the
10	immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension, in which event, NAHOURAII
11	shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the
12	Bureau under the terms of this decision.
13	d. If NAHOURAII pays the monetary penalty, and if no further cause
14	for disciplinary action against the real estate license of NAHOURAII occurs within two (2)
15	years from the effective date of the Decision herein, then the stay hereby granted shall become
16	permanent.
17	2. The remaining forty-five (45) days of said suspension shall also be stayed for
18	two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions;
19	a. NAHOURAII shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the
20	rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California, and
21	b. That no final subsequent determination be made, after hearing or
22	upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the
23	effective date of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in
24	his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed
25	suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become
26	permanent.
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3. NAHOURAII shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this Order, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Bureau, including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If NAHOURAII fails to satisfy this condition, NAHOURAII's real estate license shall automatically be suspended until 5 NAHOURAII passes the examination.

6 4. All licenses and licensing rights of NAHOURAII are indefinitely suspended 7 unless or until NAHOURAII provides proof satisfactory to the Commissioner, of having taken 8 and successfully completed the continuing education course on trust fund accounting and 9 handling specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section 10170.5 of the Code. Proof of 10 satisfaction of these requirements includes evidence that NAHOURAII has successfully 11 completed the trust fund accounting and handling continuing education course, no earlier than 12 one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the effective date of the Order in this matter. Proof of 13 completion of the trust fund accounting and handling course must be delivered to the Bureau of 14 Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013 or by fax at 916-15 263-8785, prior to the effective date of this Order.

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## III. AS TO BOTH Z & M AND NAHOURAII

17 1. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents are indefinitely suspended 18 unless or until Respondents, jointly and severally, pay the sum of \$2,399.90 for the 19 Commissioner's reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement which led to this 20 disciplinary action. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check 21 made payable to the Bureau of Real Estate. The investigative and enforcement costs must be 22 delivered to the Bureau of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 23 95813-7013, prior to the effective date of this Order.

24 2. Respondents, jointly and severally, shall pay the sum of \$4,814.20 for the 25 Commissioner's cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. Respondents shall pay 26 such cost within sixty (60) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. The 27 Commissioner shall indefinitely suspend all licenses and licensing rights of Respondents

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pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., of the Government Code, if
payment is not timely made as provided for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent
agreement between Respondents and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect
until payment is made in full or until Respondents enter into an agreement satisfactory to the
Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted
following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

7 3. Respondents, jointly and severally, shall pay the Commissioner's costs, not 8 to exceed \$6,017.75, of any audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code to 9 determine if Respondents have corrected the violations described in the Determination of 10 Issues, above, and any other violations found in the audit which led to this disciplinary action. 11 In calculating the amount of the Commissioner's reasonable cost, the Commissioner may use 12 the estimated average hourly salary for all persons performing audits of real estate brokers, and 13 shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work. Respondents 14 shall pay such cost within sixty (60) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the 15 Commissioner detailing the activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spent 16 performing those activities. If Respondents fail to pay such cost within the sixty (60) days, the 17 Commissioner shall indefinitely suspend all licenses and licensing rights of Respondents under 18 the Real Estate Law until payment is made in full or until Respondents enter into an agreement 19 satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment. Upon full payment, the indefinite 20 suspension provided for in this paragraph shall be stayed.

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1 2 Respondents have read the Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order 3 and its terms are understood by Respondents and are agreeable and acceptable to Respondents. 4 Respondents understand that Respondents are waiving rights given to them by the California 5 Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 6 11513 of the Government Code), and Respondents willingly, intelligently, and voluntarily 7 waive those rights, including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations 8 in the Accusation at a hearing at which Respondents would have the right to cross-examine 9 witnesses against them and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges. 10 Respondents and Respondents' attorney further agree to send the original signed 11 Stipulation and Agreement by mail to the following address no later than one (1) week from the 12 date the Stipulation and Agreement is signed by Respondents and Respondents' 13 attorney: Bureau of Real Estate, Legal Section, P.O. Box 137007, Sacramento, California 14 95813-7007. Respondents and Respondents' attorney understand and agree that if they fail to 15 return the original signed Stipulation and Agreement by the due date, Complainant retains the 16 right to set this matter for hearing. 17 11/17/17 18 HÓURAII 19 Respondent 20 21 22 SSOCIATES, INC. By: Moise Nahouraii, President 23 24 25 26 27 -9-

