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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of NO. H-27701 LA STEVE E. CARTER. Respondent.

ORDER DENYING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

On December 7, 1998, an Order was rendered herein accepting Respondent's petition for voluntary surrender of his real estate broker license. Said Order was effective February 8, 1999.

On or about June 16, 2000, Respondent petitioned for reinstatement of said license. On January 31, 2001, an Order Denying Reinstatement of License was rendered. Said Order denied Respondent's petition pursuant to Section 2911(a), Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

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On or about September 19, 2002, Respondent again petitioned for reinstatement of said license and the Attorney General of the State of California has been given notice of the filing of the petition.

I have considered Respondent's petition and the evidence and arguments in support thereof. Respondent has failed to demonstrate to my satisfaction that Respondent has undergone sufficient rehabilitation to warrant the reinstatement of Respondent's real estate broker license, in that:

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On July 2, 1998, an Accusation was filed by the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), against Respondent. The Accusation stated the following: On about February 20, 1997, in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Respondent was convicted of violating 18 United States Code (U.S.C.) 371 (Conspiracy to make False Statements) and 18 U.S.C. 1010 and 2 (False Statement in an FHA Loan application, aiding and abetting). Said crimes were felonies involving moral turpitude, and bear a substantial relationship to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee pursuant to Section 2912, Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

Said convictions constitute cause to revoke or suspend a real estate license under Sections 490 and 10177(b) of the California Business and Professions Code.

Respondent, in his Declaration of Petition to Surrender Real Estate License, stated that all allegations contained in Accusation H-27701 LA may be considered by the Department to be true and correct for the purpose of deciding whether or not to grant reinstatement of his license.

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The burden of proving rehabilitation rests with the petitioner (<u>Feinstein v. State Bar</u> (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 (<u>Tardiff v. State Bar</u> (1980) 27 Cal. 3d 395).

The Department has developed criteria in Regulation 2911 to assist in evaluating the rehabilitation of an applicant for reinstatement of a license. Among the criteria relevant in this proceeding are:

2911 (k) - Correction of business practices resulting in injury to others or with the potential to cause such injury. Respondent has failed to show that he has corrected his business practices. Respondent is the owner of Canyon Mortgage, Inc., a licensed real estate corporation. On October 7, 2003, a Department of Real Estate (DRE) audit of Canyon Mortgage, Inc. was conducted. The audit revealed violations of Business and Professions Code ("Code") Section 10236.4 (failure to disclose DRE license information number) and Code Section 10240(c)

(failure to maintain Mortgage Loan Disclosure Statements on file).

2911 (1) - Significant or conscientious involvement in community, church or social programs. Respondent has not provided proof of involvement in such programs.

2911 (n)(1) - Change in attitude from that which existed at the time of the conduct in question as evidenced by the testimony of Respondent. Respondent has not evidenced such change by the following:

In response to question number 11. of the Petition Application, to wit: "Property Owned" - "Own other property of substantial value", Respondent failed to disclose the ownership of Canyon Mortgage, Inc., a licensed real estate corporation.

This is a material misstatement. The failure to disclose relevant information in the Petition Application prevents or hinders a full investigation into the extent of rehabilitation. Information regarding ownership in licensed real estate entities may reflect on Respondent's business practices and qualifications for a real estate license.

A failure to disclose material facts shows a lack of candor and diligence expected of a licensee, is a dishonest act and is additional cause pursuant to Code Section 10177(a) to deny Respondent's petition application.

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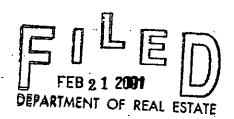
1 Given the fact that Respondent has not established 2 that Respondent has complied with Regulations 2911(k), 2911(1), 3 and 2911(n)(1) and is in violation of Code Section 10177(a), I am not satisfied that Respondent is sufficiently rehabilitated 5 to receive a real estate broker license. 6 NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's 7 petition for reinstatement of Respondent's real estate broker license is denied. 9 I am satisfied, however, that it will not be against 10 the public interest to issue a restricted real estate 11 salesperson license to Respondent. 12 A restricted real estate salesperson license shall 13 be issued to Respondent pursuant to Code Section 10156.5 if Respondent within twelve (12) months from the date hereof: 16 Makes application therefor and pays the 17 appropriate fee for said license. 18_ (2) Submits evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate 19 20 Commissioner that Respondent has, since his license was 21 surrendered, taken and passed the written examination required 22 to obtain a real estate salesperson license. 23 The restricted license issued to Respondent shall be 24 subject to all of the provisions of Code Section 10156.7 and to 25 the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed 26

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under authority of Code Section 10156.6:

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- 2. 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.
- 4. Respondent shall submit with any application for license under an employing broker, or with 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 Department which shall certify:



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ORDER DENYING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

Respondent.

On December 7, 1998, a Decision was rendered herein revoking the real estate broker license of Respondent, STEVE E. CARTER ("Respondent"), effective February 8, 1999. Said Order accepted Respondent's petition for voluntary surrender of his real estate broker license.

On June 16, 2000, Respondent petitioned for reinstatement of said real estate broker license and the Attorney General of the State of California has been given notice of the filing of said petition.

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I have considered Respondent's petition and the evidence and arguments in support thereof. Respondent has failed to demonstrate to my satisfaction that Respondent has undergone sufficient rehabilitation to warrant the reinstatement of Respondent's real estate broker license. This determination has been made in light of Respondent's history of acts and conduct which are substantially related to the qualifications, functions and duties of a real estate licensee. That history includes:

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On July 2, 1998, an Accusation was filed by the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), against Respondent. The Accusation stated the following: On about February 20, 1997, in the United States District Court for the Central District of California, Respondent was convicted of violating 18 United States Code (U.S.C.) 371 (Conspiracy to make False Statements) and 18 U.S.C. 1010 and 2 (False Statement in an FHA Loan application, aiding and abetting). Said crimes were felonies involving moral turpitude, and bear a substantial relationship to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee pursuant to Section 2912, Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

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Respondent, in his Declaration of Petition to Surrender Real Estate License, stated that all allegations contained in Accusation H-27701 LA may be considered by the Department to be true and correct for the purpose of deciding whether or not to grant reinstatement of his license.

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Due to the very serious nature of the Respondent's convictions described in Paragraph I, the fact that said convictions were directly related to activity requiring a real estate license, and that as a licensed real estate broker, Respondent would be responsible for overseeing real estate transactions, not enough time has passed to establish that Respondent is completely rehabilitated. This is cause to deny Respondent's application pursuant to Section 2911(a) of the Regulations.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's petition for reinstatement of Respondent's real estate broker license is denied.

This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon

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PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Steven Carter 426 Running Springs Palm Desert, CA 92211 6 Reft 1

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of STEVE E. CARTER

NO. H-27701 LA

Respondent.

ORDER ACCEPTING VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF REAL ESTATE LICENSE

On July 2, 1998, an Accusation was filed in this matter against Respondent Steve E. Carter.

On November 19, 1998, Respondent petitioned the Commissioner to voluntarily surrender his real estate broker license pursuant to Section 10100.2 of the Business and Professions Code.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent's petition for voluntary surrender of his real estate broker license is accepted as of the effective date of this Order as set forth below, based upon the understanding and agreement expressed in Respondent's Declaration dated October 21, 1998 (attached as Exhibit "A" hereto):



IT IS ALSO ORDERED that Respondent's license certificate(s), pocket card(s) and all branch office license certificates be sent to the below-listed address so that they reach the Department on or before the effective date of the Order:

Department of Real Estate Attn: Licensing Flag Section P.O. Box 187000 Sacramento, California 95818-7000

This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock

noon on February 8, 1999.

DATED:

JIM ANTT, JR. Real Estate Commissioner BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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In the Matter of the Accusation of STEVE E. CARTER

NO. H-27701 LA

DECLARATION OF PETITION TO SURRENDER REAL ESTATE LICENSE

Respondent.

DECLARATION OF STEVE E. CARTER

- I, STEVE E. CARTER, declare as follows:
- My full name is STEVE E. CARTER.
- I am the Respondent named in the Matter of the Accusation of STEVE E. CARTER, California Department of Real Estate ("Department") Case No. H-27701 LA.
- 3. Pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 10100.2, I wish to voluntarily surrender my real estate broker license issued by the Department.
- I understand that by so voluntarily surrendering my license, I agree to the following:

The filing of this petition shall be deemed to be an

understanding and agreement by me that upon acceptance of this petition by the Real Estate Commissioner, as evidenced by an appropriate order, all affidavits and all relevant evidence obtained in the investigation prior to the acceptance, and all allegations contained in the Accusation filed in the Department's Case No. H-27701 LA may be considered by the Department to be true and correct for the purpose of deciding whether or not to grant reinstatement of my license.

This Petition to Surrender Real Estate License and any Order made pursuant to this Petition shall have no collateral estoppel or res judicata effect in any proceedings in which I and the Department (or the Department's representative) are not parties. This Petition is made by me, and received by the Commissioner and the Department, with the express understanding and agreement that it is for the purpose of settling these proceedings only, and that this Petition is not intended as, and shall not be deemed, used, or accepted as an acknowledgment or admission of fact in any other judicial, administrative, or other proceedings to which this Department is not a party.

I declare under penalty of perjury and under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated: 10/21, 1998, at Talm 1/esert

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of
OAH No. L-1998 070 324

STEVE E. CARTER,

Respondent.

To the above-named Respondent(s):

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at Office of Administrative Hearings, 107 South Broadway, 2nd Fl., Los Angeles, California, on October 27, 1998 at the hour of 1:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you.

NOTICE OF CONTINUED HEARING ON ACCUSATION

You may be present at the hearing. You have the right to be represented by an attorney at your own expense. You are not entitled to the appointment of an attorney to represent you at public expense. You are entitled to represent yourself without legal counsel. If you are not present in person nor represented by counsel at the hearing, the Department may take disciplinary action against you based upon any express admission or other evidence including affidavits, without any notice to you.

You may present any relevant evidence and will be given full opportunity to cross-examine all witnesses testifying against you. You are entitled to the issuance of subpenss to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, documents or other things by applying to the Department of Real Estate.

The hearing shall be conducted in the English language. If you want to offer the testimony of any witness who does not proficiently speak the English language, you must provide your own interpreter. The interpreter must be approved by the Administrative Law Judge conducting the hearing as someone who is proficient in both English and the language in which the witness will testify. You are required to pay the costs of the interpreter unless the Administrative Law Judge directs otherwise.

Dated: September 14, 1998

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JAMES/R. PEEL, Counsel

cc: Steve e. Carter

Wacy Armstrong, Esq. Sacto. OAH, & SE

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) NOTICE OF HEARING ON ACCUSATION

Respondent.

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To the above-named Respondents:

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 107 South Broadway, 2nd. Floor, Los Angeles, California 90012 on <u>September 18, 1998</u>. at 2:30 p.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you.

You may be present at the hearing. You have the right to be represented by an attorney at your own expense. You are not entitled to the appointment of an attorney to represent you at public expense. You are entitled to represent yourself without legal counsel. If you are not present in person nor represented by counsel at the hearing, the Department may take disciplinary action against you based upon any express admission or other evidence including affidavits, without any notice to you.

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Dated: July 22, 1998

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JAMES R. PEEL DRE Counsel

cc: STEVE E. CARTER SE, OAH & SACTO Socto

JAMES R. PEEL, Counsel Department of Real Estate 107 South Broadway, Room 8107 Los Angeles, CA 90012 State Bar 47055 (213) 897-3937



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The Complainant, Thomas Mc Crady, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation against STEVE E. CARTER, alleges as follows:

Respondent.

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The Complainant, Thomas Mc Crady, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in his official capacity.

II

STEVE E. CARTER (hereinafter referred to as respondent) is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code, hereinafter Code).

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At all times herein mentioned respondent was licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California as a real estate broker

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On or about February 20, 1997, in the US District Court for the Central District of California, respondent was convicted of violating 18 USC 371 (conspiracy to make false statements) and 18 U.S.C. 1010 and 2 (false statement in an FHA loan application, aiding and abetting), felonies involving moral turpitude.

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The crimes of which respondent was convicted bear a substantial relationship to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.

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Respondent's criminal conviction is cause under Sections 490 and 10177(b) of the Business and Professions code for suspension or revocation of all licenses and license rights of respondent under the Real Estate Law.

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WHEREFORE, complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and, that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary action against all licenses and license rights of respondent STEVE E. CARTER under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code) and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law. Dated at Los Angeles, California this 2nd. day of July, 1998. THOMAS MC CRADY Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Steve E. Carter Sacto.

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