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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA
12) COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba)
. 13	Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real) Estate; KRISTINE CONRAD, individually)
. 14	and as designated broker-officer of) Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.;)
15	JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and) JACK D. IRVIN,)
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. 17	Respondents.)
18	ORDER EXTENDING TIME
19	On February 4, 2008, a Decision was rendered herein
20	suspending the real estate license of Respondents COASTAL
21	ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC. and KRISTINE CONRAD. The suspensions may
22	be stayed upon payment of penalties by each Respondent on or
23	before the effective date of the Decision, March 13, 2008. The
24	Decision was stayed by separate Order, and now becomes effective
26	on March 24, 2008.
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Respondents have requested an additional 60 days within which to meet the conditions of the Decision.

Good cause having been shown, the time during which Respondents must complete the conditions described above is hereby extended to <u>May 23, 2008.</u>

This Order shall be effective immediately.

3-19-08 DATED:

JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner

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1 2 3	March 20, 2008 DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
.10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA
12	COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba
. 13	Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real) Estate; KRISTINE CONRAD, individually)
14 15	and as designated broker-officer of) Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.;) JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and)
16	JACK D. IRVIN,)
17	Respondents.)
18	ORDER EXTENDING TIME
19 20	On February 4, 2008, a Decision was rendered herein
21	suspending the real estate license of Respondent JACK D. IRVIN.
22	The suspension may be stayed upon payment of penalties by
23	Respondent on or before the effective date of the Decision,
24	March 13, 2008. The Decision was stayed by separate Order, and
25	now becomes effective on March 24, 2008.
26	Respondent has requested an additional 60 days within
.27	which to meet the conditions of the Decision.
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Good cause having been shown, the time during which Respondent must complete the conditions described above is hereby extended to May 23, 2008. This Order shall be effective immediately. 3-19-08 DATED: JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner - 2 -

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	8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE		
	9 10	STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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	11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC.,)		
	13	dba Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance) Real Estate; KRISTINE CONRAD,		
	14	individually and as designated) broker-officer of Coastal Alliance)		
	15	Holdings Inc.; JAMES PETER ITALIANO;) and <u>JACK D. IRVIN</u> ,		
	16	Respondents.		
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	18	ORDER STAYING EFFECTIVE DATE On February 4, 2008, a Decision was rendered in		
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	20	the above-entitled matter as to JACK D. IRVIN, to become effective March 13, 2008.		
	21	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the effective date of the		
	22	Decision of February 4, 2008, as to JACK D. IRVIN, is stayed for		
	23	a period of ten (10) days to consider Respondent's petition for		
	24	reconsideration.		
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1	The Decision of February 4, 2008, shall become
2	effective at 12 o'clock noon on March 24, 2008.
3	DATED: <u>February 29, 2008</u> .
4	JEFF DAVI
5	Real Estate Commissioner
6	By: Waldres Weeks
7	DOLORES WEEKS Regional Manager
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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF R	EAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNI	IA .
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. 11	In the Matter of the Accusation of	No. H-34121 LA
12	<u>COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC</u> .,) dba Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance) Real Estate; <u>KRISTINE CONRAD</u> ,) individually and as designated)	NO. H-34121 LA
14 15	broker-officer of Coastal Alliance) Holdings Inc.; JAMES PETER ITALIANO;) and JACK D. IRVIN,	
16 17	Respondents.)	
17	ORDER STAYING EFFECTIV	E DATE
18 19 On February 4, 2008, a De		was rendered in
20	the above-entitled matter as to COASTAL A	LLIANCE HOLDINGS INC.,
21	dba Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real	
22	CONRAD, individually and as designated br	
23	Alliance Holdings Inc., to become effecti	
24	IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the e	effective date of the
25	Decision of February 4, 2008, as to COAST	AL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS
26	INC. and KRISTINE CONRAD, is stayed for a	period of ten (10)
27	days to consider Respondent's petition fo	or reconsideration.

 1	The Decision of February 4, 2008, shall become
2	effective at 12 o'clock noon on March 24, 2008.
3	DATED: <u>February 29, 2008</u> .
4	JEFF DAVI
5	Real Estate Commissioner
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1 2 3 4	Department of Real Estate 320 West Fourth Street, #350 Los Angeles, California 90013 (213) 576-6982 (213) 620-6430 By
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8.	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
. 9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
10	* * *
11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA) L-2007090120
12	COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba)
13	Estate; KRISTINE CONRAD, individually) AGREEMENT
14	and as designated broker-officer of) Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.;) JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and) JACK D. IRVIN,)
16	Respondents.)
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. 18	It is hereby stipulated by and between JACK D. IRVIN
. 19	(sometimes referred to herein as "Respondent"), represented by
20	Amanda J. Potier, and the Complainant, acting by and through
21	Martha J. Rosett, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as
22	follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the
23	Accusation filed on July 18, 2007 in this matter:
24	1. All issues which were to be contested and all
25	evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and
26	Respondent at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing
. 27	was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the
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Administrative Procedure Act (APA), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement.

2. Respondent has received, read and understands the
Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA
and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in
this proceeding.

On July 31, 2007, Respondent filed a Notice of 3. 8 9 Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the 10 Accusation. In order to effectuate this settlement, Respondent 11 hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. 12 Respondent acknowledges that he understands that by withdrawing 13 said Notice of Defense, he will thereby waive his right to 14 require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the 15 Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the 16 provisions of the APA and that he will waive other rights 17 afforded to him in connection with the hearing such as the 18 right to present evidence in defense of the allegations in the 19 Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses. 20

4. Respondent, pursuant to the limitations set forth
below, although not admitting or denying the truth of the
allegations, will not contest the factual allegations contained
in the Accusation filed in this proceeding and the Real Estate
Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence
of such allegations.

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It is understood by the parties that the Real 5. 1 Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as 2 his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and 3 sanctions on Respondent's real estate license and license 4 rights as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that 5 the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the 6 Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, 7 and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and 8 proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the 9 APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made 10 herein. 11

12 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real
13 Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation and
14 Agreement shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to
15 any further administrative proceedings by the Department of
16 Real Estate with respect to any matters which were not
17 specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this
18 proceeding.

7. This Stipulation and Respondent's decision not to 19 contest the Accusation are made for the purpose of reaching an 20 agreed disposition of this proceeding, and are expressly 21 limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in 22 which the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), or another 23 licensing agency of this state, another state or if the federal 24 government is involved and otherwise shall not be admissible in 25 any other criminal or civil proceedings. 26

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DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

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2	By reason of the foregoing stipulations and waivers
3	and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending
4	Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that
5	the following Determination of Issues shall be made:
6	The conduct, acts or omissions of Respondent JACK D.
7	IRVIN, as set forth in the Accusation, constitute cause to
8	suspend or revoke the real estate license and licensing rights
9	of Respondent JACK D. IRVIN under the provisions of Code
10	Sections 10177(d).
11	ORDER
12	WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:
13	A. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent
14	JACK D. IRVIN under the Real Estate Law shall be suspended for
15	ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Decision;
16	provided, however, that sixty (60) days of said suspension
17	shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and
18	conditions:
18 19	conditions: 1. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and
19	1. <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u>
19 20	1. <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities
19 20 21	1. <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and
19 20 21 22	 <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and <u>That no final subsequent determination be made</u>,
19 20 21 22 23	 <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and <u>That no final subsequent determination be made</u>, after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary
19 20 21 22 23 24	 <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and <u>That no final subsequent determination be made</u>, after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years of the effective date of
19 20 21 22 23 24 25	 <u>Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and</u> regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and <u>That no final subsequent determination be made</u>, after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years of the effective date of this Decision. Should such a determination be made, the

suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

B. <u>As to the remaining 30 days of said 90 day</u> suspension, all licenses and licensing rights of Respondent JACK D. IRVIN shall be suspended for a period of 30 days from the effective date of this decision; provided, however, that if Respondent petitions, the remaining 30 days of said 90 day suspension shall be stayed upon condition that:

9 1. <u>Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to</u>
10 Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code of
11 \$10,000.00.

2. <u>Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's</u> check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be received by the Department prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter.

3. <u>No further cause for disciplinary action against</u>
the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two years
from the effective date of the Decision in this matter.

4. <u>If Respondent fails to pay the monetary penalty</u> in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Decision, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension in which event the Respondent shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for the money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision.

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5. <u>If Respondent pays the monetary penalty and if no</u> further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.

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DATED:

Counsel for Complainant

10 I have read the Stipulation and Agreement, have 11 discussed it with counsel, and its terms are understood by me 12 and are agreeable and acceptable to me. I understand that I am 13 waiving rights given to me by the California Administrative 14 Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 15 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and I 16 willingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive those rights, 17 including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the 18 allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which I would 19 have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to 20 present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

Respondent may signify acceptance and approval of the
 terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by faxing
 a copy of its signature page, as actually signed by Respondent,
 to the Department at the following fax number (213) 576-6917.
 Respondent agrees, acknowledges and understands that by

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1 electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of his actual signature as it appears on the Stipulation, that receipt of the 2 faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondent as 3 if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation 4 and Agreement. 5 6 DATED: 11- 30- 0 7 JAC 8 Respondent 9 10 DATED: 11-30-07 11 Esq. Amanda J Otier, Counsel for Respondent 12 13 14 The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby 15 adopted as my Decision in this matter and shall become 16 MAR 1 3 2098 effective at 12 o'clock noon on 17 FEB = 4 2000 IT IS SO ORDERED 18 JEFF DAVI 19 Real Estate Commissioner 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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2	320 West Fourth Street, #350 Los Angeles, California 90013
. 4	(213) 576-6982 (213) 620-6430 DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
10	* * *
11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA
12	COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba)
13	Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real)STIPULATION ANDEstate;KRISTINE CONRAD, individually)AGREEMENT
14	and as designated broker-officer of) Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.;) JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and)
16	JACK D. IRVIN,)
17	Respondents.)
18	It is hereby stipulated by and between COASTAL
19	ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance
20	Real Estate (sometimes referred to herein as "Respondent
21	COASTAL ALLIANCE"); and KRISTINE CONRAD (sometimes referred to
22	herein as "Respondent CONRAD"), individually and as designated
23	broker-officer of COASTAL ALLIANCE, both represented by Amanda
24	J. Potier, and the Complainant, acting by and through Martha J.
25	Rosett, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows
26	for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation
. 27	filed on July 18, 2007 in this matter:
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All issues which were to be contested and all
 evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and
 Respondents at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which
 hearing was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the
 Administrative Procedure Act (APA), shall instead and in place
 thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of
 this Stipulation and Agreement.

⁸ 2. Respondents have received, read and understand
⁹ the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the
¹⁰ APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate
¹¹ in this proceeding.

3. On July 31, 2007, Respondents filed Notices of 12 Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for 13 the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the 14 In order to effectuate this settlement, 15 Accusation. Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notices 16 of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that 17 by withdrawing said Notices of Defense, they will thereby waive 18 their rights to require the Commissioner to prove the 19 allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in 20 accordance with the provisions of the APA and that they will 21 waive other rights afforded to them in connection with the 22 hearing such as the right to present evidence in defense of the 23 allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine 24 25 witnesses.

4. Respondents, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, although not admitting or denying the truth of the

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allegations, will not contest the factual allegations contained
in the Accusation filed in this proceeding and the Real Estate
Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence
of such allegations.

5. It is understood by the parties that the Real 5 Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as 6 his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and 7 sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license 8 rights as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that 9 the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the 10 Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, 11 and Respondents shall retain the right to a hearing and 12 proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the 13 APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made 14 herein. 15

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

7. This Stipulation and Respondents' decision not to
contest the Accusation are made for the purpose of reaching an
agreed disposition of this proceeding, and are expressly
limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in
which the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), or another

licensing agency of this state, another state or if the federal government is involved and otherwise shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceedings.

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DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations and waivers and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following Determination of Issues shall be made:

9 1. The conduct, acts or omissions of Respondent
10 <u>COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC.</u>, as set forth in the Accusation,
11 constitute cause to suspend or revoke the real estate license
12 and license rights of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS
13 INC., under the provisions of Business and Professions Code
14 ("Code") Section <u>10177(d)</u>.

2. The conduct, acts or omissions of Respondent
KRISTINE CONRAD, as set forth in the Accusation, constitute
cause to suspend or revoke the real estate license and license
rights of Respondent KRISTINE CONRAD under the provisions of
Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(h).

ORDER

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made: A. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC. and Respondent KRISTINE CONRAD under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Decision; provided, however, that sixty (60) days of said suspension shall be

stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and 1 conditions: 2

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Respondents shall obey all laws, rules and 2 1. regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities 4 of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and 5

2. That no final subsequent determination be made, 6 after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary 7 action occurred within two (2) years of the effective date of 8 this Decision. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed suspensions. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

As to the remaining 30 days of said 90 day . 14 в. suspensions, all licenses and licensing rights of Respondent 15 COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC. and Respondent KRISTINE CONRAD 16 shall be suspended for a period of 30 days from the effective 17 date of this decision; provided, however, that if either 18 Respondent petitions, the remaining 30 days of said 90 day 19 suspension shall be stayed upon condition that: 20

1. <u>Respondents pay a monetary penalty pursuant to</u> 21 Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code at the 22 rate of \$10,000.00 per Respondent. 23

Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's 24 2. check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account 25 of the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be received by the 26

Department prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter.

No further cause for disciplinary action against 3. the real estate licenses of Respondents occurs within two years from the effective date of the Decision in this matter. 5

4. If Respondents fail to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the terms and conditions of the Decision, 7 the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension in which event the Respondents shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for the money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision.

5. If Respondents pay the monetary penalty and if no. 13 further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate 14 licenses of Respondents occurs within two years from the 15 effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall 16 become permanent. 17

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DATED :

Counsel for Complainant

We have read the Stipulation and Agreement, have discussed it with our counsel, and its terms are understood by us and are agreeable and acceptable to us. We understand that we are waiving rights given to us by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code),

and we willingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive those rights, including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which we would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against us and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

Respondents may signify acceptance and approval of the 7 8 terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by faxing 9 a copy of its signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the Department at the following fax number (213) 576-6917. 10 11 Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by 12 electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of their actual signatures as they appear on the Stipulation, that receipt 13 of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on 14 Respondents as if the Department had received the original signed 15 16 Stipulation and Agreement.

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DATED:

KRISTINE CONRAD, individually, Respondent

KRISTINE CONRAD, designated broker-officer, on behalf of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC.

Amanda J. Botier, Esq. Counsel for Respondent

The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision in this matter and shall become MAR 173 2008 effective at 12 o'clock noon on 2-4-07 IT IS SO ORDERED JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner

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12.	COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS, INC.,) L-2007090120
`13	dba Coldwell Banker Coastal) Alliance Real Estate;)
14	KRISTINE CONRAD, individually and) as designated broker-officer of)
15	Coastal Alliance Holdings, Inc.;) JAMES PETER ITALIANO;)
16 [.]	and JACK D. IRVIN,
17	Respondents.)
18)
19	The Accusation herein filed on July 18, 2007, against
20	Respondent, JAMES PETER ITALIANO, only, is DISMISSED.
21	IT IS SO ORDERED this <u>MA</u> day of <u>Fibran</u> , 2008.
22	JEFF DAVI Real Escate Commissioner
23	Rear Estate Commissioner
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1 2 3	MARTHA J. ROSETT, Counsel (SBN 142072) Department of Real Estate 320 West Fourth St., #350 Los Angeles, CA 90013
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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
. 10	* * * *
11	In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-34121 LA
. 12	COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC., dba) <u>A C C U S A T I O N</u>
13	Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real) Estate; KRISTINE CONRAD, individually)
14	and as designated broker-officer of) Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.;)
16	JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and) JACK D. IRVIN,)
17	Respondents.
18	The Complainant, Janice Waddell, a Deputy Real Estate
19	Commissioner, for cause of Accusation against COASTAL ALLIANCE
20	HOLDINGS INC., dba Coldwell Banker Coastal Alliance Real Estate;
.21	KRISTINE CONRAD, individually and as designated broker-officer of
22	Coastal Alliance Holdings Inc.; JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and JACK D.
23	IRVIN, is informed and alleges as follows:
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25	The Complainant, Janice Waddell, a Deputy Real Estate
26	Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in
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her official capacity.

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3	Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS INC. (hereinafter	
4	"COASTAL ALLIANCE") is presently licensed and at all times	
5	relevant herein was licensed by the Department of Real Estate of	
6	the State of California ("Department") under the Real Estate Law,	
7	Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions	
8	Code (hereinafter "Code") as a corporate real estate broker.	
9	Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE was originally licensed by the	
10	Department as a corporate real estate broker on or about	·
11	April 27, 2004.	
12	3.	
13	At all times relevant herein, Respondent COASTAL	
14	ALLIANCE was and is authorized to act as a real estate broker by	
15	and through Respondent KRISTINE CONRAD as the designated officer	1
16	and broker responsible, pursuant to the provisions of Code	
18	Section 10159.2, for the supervision and control of the	l
19	activities conducted on behalf of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE by	
20	Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE's officers and employees. At all	
21	times relevant herein, additional broker-officers of COASTAL	
22	ALLIANCE include Respondent JAMES PETER ITALIANO, as well as real	
23	estate brokers Phillip Wendell Jones Jr. and Stephen Michael	
24	Murphy.	
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1 Beginning on or about April 17, 1995, and continuing 2 through on or about May 6, 2005, Prestige Realty Inc. ("Prestige 3 Realty") was licensed as a corporate real estate broker. 4 Prestige Realty's corporate real estate broker license expired on 5 May 6, 2005. From on or about May 7, 2001, and continuing 6 through on or about May 6, 2004, Prestige Realty was authorized 7 to act as a real estate broker by and through Respondent JAMES 8 9 PETER ITALIANO as the designated officer and broker responsible, 10 pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 10159.2, for the 11 supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of 12 Prestige Realty its officers and employees. From on or about May 13 7, 2004 through the expiration of its license on or about May 6, 14 2005, Prestige Realty was authorized to act as a real estate 15 broker by and through KRISTINE CONRAD as the designated officer 16 and broker responsible, pursuant to the provisions of Code 17 Section 10159.2, for the supervision and control of the 18 activities conducted on behalf of Prestige Realty by its officers 19 and employees. 20

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22 On or about May 7, 2004, Respondent CONRAD replaced 23 Respondent ITALIANO as the designated broker-officer of Prestige 24 Realty. On or about June 10, 2004, Prestige was acquired by 25 Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE, and COASTAL ALLIANCE assumed 26 management, control and operation of the realty business formerly 27

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known as Prestige Realty Inc.

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Respondent JAMES D. IRVIN is the Chief Executive 3 Officer of COASTAL ALLIANCE, and is employed as a real estate 4 salesperson under COASTAL ALLIANCE's corporate broker license. 5 Respondent JAMES P. ITALIANO is the Chief Financial Officer of 6 COASTAL ALLIANCE, and is a broker-officer, authorized to act on 7 behalf of the real estate corporation. Respondent KRISTINE 8 9 CONRAD is the Secretary of COASTAL ALLIANCE, and is the broker-10 officer designated under Business and Professions Code Section 11 10159.2 to be responsible under the real estate law for the 12 supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf the 13 corporation by its employees, directors, and officers. 14 7. 15 At all times relevant herein, Respondent KRISTINE 16 CONRAD (hereinafter "CONRAD") was and is licensed by the 17 Department as a real estate broker. Respondent CONRAD was 18 originally licensed by the Department as a real estate broker on 19 or before July 7, 1994. Beginning on or about April 27, 2004, 20 and continuing until the present time, Respondent CONRAD was and 21 is licensed by the Department the broker-officer of Respondent 22 COASTAL ALLIANCE designated pursuant to Code Section 10159.2 to 23 24 be responsible for the supervision and control of the activities 25 conducted on behalf of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE by its 26 officers and employees as necessary to secure full compliance 27

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Between May 3, 2004 and May 7, 2005, with the Real Estate Law. 1 Respondent CONRAD was also the broker-officer of Prestige Realty 2 Inc. designated to be responsible for the supervision and control 3 of activities conducted on behalf of Prestige Realty by its 4 officers and employees as necessary to secure full compliance 5 with the Real Estate Law. At all times relevant herein, 6 Respondent CONRAD was the corporate secretary of COASTAL 7 ALLIANCE, Prestige Realty Inc., and Prestige Asset Management, 8 9 Inc. 10 8. 11 At all times relevant herein, Respondent JAMES PETER

12 ITALIANO (hereinafter "ITALIANO") was and is licensed by the 13 Department as a real estate broker. Respondent ITALIANO was 14 originally licensed by the Department as a real estate broker on 15 or before October 6, 1992. Beginning on or about October 4, 16 2004, and continuing until the present time, Respondent ITALIANO 17 was and is licensed by the Department as a broker-officer of 18 COASTAL ALLIANCE authorized to act on its behalf. Between May 1, 19 2001 and May 3, 2004, Respondent ITALIANO was also the broker-20 officer of Prestige Realty Inc. designated to be responsible for 21 the supervision and control of activities conducted on behalf of 22 Prestige Realty Inc. by its officers, employees, and agents as 23 necessary to secure full compliance with the Real Estate Law. 24 At 25 all times relevant herein, Respondent ITALIANO was the Chief 26 Financial Officer and/or treasurer of Respondent COASTAL

ALLIANCE, of Prestige Realty Inc., and of Prestige Asset Management Inc.

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4	At all times relevant herein, Respondent JACK D. IRVIN
5	(hereinafter "Respondent IRVIN") was and is licensed by the
6	Department as a real estate salesperson. Respondent IRVIN was
7	first licensed as a real estate salesperson in 1984. Between
8	June 13, 1995 and June 14, 2004, Respondent IRVIN was licensed as
9	a real estate salesperson working under broker Prestige Realty
. 10	Inc. Between June 15, 2004 and the present time, Respondent
11	IRVIN was and is licensed as a salesperson under broker
12	Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE. At all times relevant herein,
13	Respondent IRVIN also was the President and/or Chief Executive
14	Officer of COASTAL ALLIANCE, of Prestige Realty Inc., and of
15	Prestige Management Assets.
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17 18	At all times relevant herein, Prestige Asset
19	Management, Inc. was and is a California corporation. Prestige
20	Asset Management Inc. is not licensed in California as a real
21	estate broker. Respondent IRVIN is the Chief Executive Officer
22	of Prestige Asset Management Inc., Respondent ITALIANO is its
23	Chief Financial Officer, and Respondent CONRAD is its Secretary.
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25	At all times material herein, Respondents COASTAL
26	ALLIANCE, CONRAD, ITALIANO, and IRVIN (collectively referred to
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herein as "Respondents"), engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as real estate brokers within the meaning of Code Section 10131(a), representing another or others in the purchase, sale or exchange of real property and performing escrow services in relation to those transactions pursuant to Financial Code Section 10076(a)(4).

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All further references to "Respondents", unless 9 otherwise specified, include the parties identified in Paragraphs 10 2 through 9 above, and also include the employees, agents and 11 real estate licensees employed by or associated with said 12 parties, who at all times herein mentioned were engaged in the 13 furtherance of the business or operations of said parties and who 14 were acting within the course and scope of their authority and 15 employment. 16

UNLAWFUL REFERRAL OF CUSTOMERS FOR COMPENSATION

(Business and Professions Code Section 10177.4)

"Participation Agreement"

13.

Beginning on or about April 1, 2004, and continuing through on or about February 15, 2005, Respondents, and each of them, in connection with their real estate sales activities set forth in Paragraph 11 above, engaged in a reinsurance program with Fidelity National Group of Insurers, and its affiliates, including Fidelity Title, Chicago Title, and Ticor Title (hereafter collectively referred to as "FNF"). Pursuant to this

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agreement, in connection with the sales of homes brokered by Respondents, the title companies would issue title insurance policies, and in exchange, Respondents would receive compensation in the form of reinsurance "premiums" and additional periodic distributions of capital.

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Specifically, on or about April 1, 2004, Respondent 7 IRVIN, as CEO of Prestige Asset Management, executed a 8 "Participation Agreement" with FNF. Pursuant to the 9 Participation Agreement, Respondents would receive a percentage 10 of the premium paid to FNF for every real estate transaction in 11 which the parties purchased title insurance from one of the FNF 12 affiliates. Under this Participation Agreement, Respondents paid 13 a one time \$10,000 "Participation Fee", an annual "Participant 14 Expense Fee" of \$10,000, and a security deposit of \$25,000. 15 Pursuant to a subsequent "Reinsurance Agreement," Respondent 16 agreed to assume 15% liability for title insurance losses, if 17 any, from real estate transactions generated by Respondent 18 COASTAL ALLIANCE, as "reinsurance." In exchange, FNF and/or its 19 affiliates would pay Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE 15% of the title 20 insurance premiums collected per transaction, plus a \$350.00 21 processing fee, per transaction. 22

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In 2005, the California Department of Insurance (DOI) held public hearings relating to the business practice of entering into the types of reinsurance agreements described above. At these hearings, it was determined that the typical

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1	loss ratio as to title insurance is three to five percent. DOI
2	found that there is in fact little or no risk transferred to the
, 3	reinsurer (such as, in this case, the real estate broker) in
4	exchange for the portion of premium they are collecting.
5	Further, DOI found that in California, the normal practice is not
6	to have a reinsurer in connection with title business. DOI
7	determined that the reinsurance agreements of the type entered
8	into between FNF and related affiliates and Respondents were not
9	legitimate reinsurance agreements. Rather, these agreements were
10	created as part of a scheme under which title insurers were
11	paying real estate brokers illegal rebates - in the form of
12	"premiums" on fictitious reinsurance paid to captive reinsurers -
- 13	in exchange for the brokers channeling business to the title
14	companies.
15	16.
16	On or about December 22, 2004, for the period between
17	June of 2004 and November of 2004, Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE
18	received distributions of \$21,593.44 as compensation for
19	referrals parties to FNF and FNF affiliates as a result of real
20	property purchase and sale transactions negotiated by Respondent

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COASTAL ALLIANCE.

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The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE as set forth in Paragraphs 13 through 16 above are in violation of Code Section 10177.4, and constitute grounds to suspend or revoke Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE's real estate broker license pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections

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10177(d) and 10177(g) for claiming, demanding or receiving commissions, fees or other consideration from a title insurance company for referral of customers to the title insurance company.

18.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent IRVIN, Respondent CONRAD, and Respondent ITALIANO, as set forth in Paragraphs 13 through 16 above are in violation of Code Section 10177.4, and constitute grounds to suspend or revoke Respondents' real estate licenses and/or license rights pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 10177(g) and/or 10177(d).

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The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents 12 13 COASTAL ALLIANCE, IRVIN, CONRAD, and ITALIANO, in claiming or taking a secret or undisclosed amount of compensation, commission 14 or profit in relation to the referral of customers to FNF 15 affiliated title insurance companies constitutes grounds to 16 17 discipline Respondents' real estate licenses and/or licensing rights pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 18 10176(g) and/or 10177(j). 19

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The failure of Respondent CONRAD to ensure Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE's full compliance with the Real Estate Law, as set forth in Paragraphs 13 through 16 above, in violation of Code Section 10159.2, constitutes grounds to discipline the broker license and license rights of Respondent CONRAD, pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(h), for failing to

exercise required supervision over the activities of the 1 officers, employees and agents of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE. 2 3 WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and that upon 4 proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary 5 б action against all licenses and/or license rights of Respondent COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS, INC., a corporate real estate broker; 7 8 Respondent KRISTINE CONRAD, individually and as designated officer-broker of COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS, INC.; Respondent 9 10 JAMES PETER ITALIANO; and Respondent JACK D. IRVIN; and for such 11 other and further relief as may be proper under applicable 12 provisions of law. 13 Dated at Los/Angeles, California 14 this 15 16 Jamice Waddell. 17 Deputy Real Estate Commissioner 18 19 20 21 22 23 cc: COASTAL ALLIANCE HOLDINGS, INC. KRISTINE CONRAD 24 JAMES PETER ITALIANO JACK D. IRVIN 25 Janice Waddell Sacto. 26 27 - 11 -