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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC.; and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc.,

Respondents,

No. H-35978 LA L-2009100411

STIPULATION
AND
AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondents
NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, individually
and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc.,
(sometimes collectively referred to as "Respondents"), and the
Complainant, acting by and through Elliott Mac Lennan, Counsel
for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of
settling and disposing of the Accusation ("Accusation") filed on
May 15, 2009, in this matter:

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1. 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 ("Stipulation").

- 2. Respondents have received, read and understand the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. Respondents timely filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation.

 Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notice of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense they thereby waive their right to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that they will waive other rights afforded to them in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in their defense and the right to crossexamine witnesses.

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4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to contest these allegations, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result thereof, these factual allegations, without being admitted or denied, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary action stipulated to herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove said factual allegations.

- 5. This Stipulation is made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this proceeding and is expressly limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in which the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), the state or federal government, or any agency of this state, another state or federal government is involved.
- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt this Stipulation as his Decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the "Order" herein below. In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, it shall be void and of no effect and Respondents shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made herein.

The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further administrative or civil 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 but do constitute a bar, estoppel and merger as to any allegations actually contained in the Accusations against Respondent herein.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

I.

The conduct, acts or omissions of NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, as described in Paragraph 4, above, are in violation of Sections 10159.5, 10235.5 and 10236.4 of the Business and Professions Code ("Code") and Sections 2731 and 2847.3 of Title 10, Chapter 6 of the California Code of Regulations ("Regulations") and is a basis for discipline of Respondents' license and license rights as violation of the Real Estate Law pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(g).

II.

The conduct, acts or omissions of JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, as described in Paragraph 4, above, are in violation of Code Section 10159.2 and is a basis for discipline of Respondent's license and license rights as violation of the Real Estate Law

ORDER 2 WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made: 3 I. 4 All license and license rights of Respondent NEWPORT 5 CAPITAL GROUP INC. are revoked. 6 II. 7 The real estate broker license of JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE 8 is suspended for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective 9 10 date of this Decision. 11 A. Provided, however, that if Respondent requests, the 12 initial thirty (30) days of said suspension (or a portion 13 thereof) shall be stayed for two (2) years upon condition that: 14 1. Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to 15 Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code at the rate 16 of \$83.33 per day for each day of the suspension for a total 17 monetary penalty of \$2,500. 18 2. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's 19 check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of 20 the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be received by the Department prior to the effective date of the Decision in this 22 matter. 23 3. No further cause for disciplinary action against 24 the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years 25 26 from the effective date of the Decision in this matter. 27 - 5 -

pursuant to Code Sections 10777(d), 10177(g) and 10177(h).

4. If Respondent fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the terms 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 money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision.

- 5. If Respondent pays the monetary penalty and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.
- B. The remaining thirty (30) days of the sixty (60)
 day suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the
 following terms and conditions:
- 1. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and
- after hearing or upon stipulation that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of 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 suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay

imposed herein shall become permanent.

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DATED:

months from the effective date of the Decision herein, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent's license until Respondent passes the examination.

ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate

EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

We have read the Stipulation. 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.

MAILING AND FACSIMILE

Respondents (1) shall <u>mail</u> the original signed signature page of the stipulation herein to Elliott Mac Lennan: Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105. Respondents shall also (2) <u>facsimile</u> a copy of signed signature page, to the Department at the following telephone/fax number: (213) 576-6917, Attention: Elliott Mac Lennan.

A facsimile constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this stipulation. Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by electronically sending to the Department a facsimile copy of Respondents' actual signature as it appears on the stipulation that receipt of the facsimile copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondents as if the Department had received the original signed stipulation.

DATED: 3/12/10

Business is now

closed

NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. a corporate real estate broker,

Respondent V

By: JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc.

DATED: 3/12/10

JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc.,

Respondent

The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to Respondents NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc. and shall become effective May 11 , 2010. at 12 o'clock noon on 2010. IT IS SO ORDERED JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner

ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, SBN 66674 Department of Real Estate 320 West 4th Street, Ste. 350 Los Angeles, California 90013-1105

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

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Respondents.

No. H-35978 LA

ACCUSATION

The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate
Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation
against NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE,
individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group
Inc., alleges as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, acting in her official capacity as a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation against NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE.

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All references to the "Code" are to the California
Business and Professions Code and all references to "Regulations"
are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

LICENSE HISTORY

3.

A. Respondent NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. (hereinafter "NCGI"), is presently licensed and at all times relevant herein was licensed under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code (hereinafter "Code") as a corporate real estate broker. Respondent NCGI has been and is licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California (hereinafter "Department") as a corporate real estate broker since April 28, 2005 by and through JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE.

- B. At all times mentioned, JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE

 ("MCAFEE") was licensed or had license rights issued by the

 Department of Real Estate (Department) as a real estate broker.

 On May 31, 2003, MCAFEE was originally licensed as a real estate

 salesperson. On October 15, 2004, MCAFEE was originally licensed
 as a real estate broker.
- C. At all times material herein, NCGI was licensed by the Department as a corporate real estate broker by and through MCAFEE, as the designated officer and broker responsible, pursuant to Code Sections 10159.2 and 10211 of the Business and Professions Code for supervising the activities requiring a real

estate license conducted on behalf NCGI of by NCGI's officers, agents and employees, including MCAFEE.

BROKERAGE

4.

At all times mentioned, in the City of Newport Beach, County of Orange, NCGI acted as a real estate broker and conducted licensed activities within the meaning of Code Section 10131(d). NCGI engaged in the business of a mortgage and loan brokerage including soliciting borrowers and lenders and negotiating the terms of loans secured by real property between borrowers and third party lenders for or in expectation of compensation.

DEPARTMENTAL INVESTIGATION

5.

During 2008 the Department conducted an investigation pertaining to the mortgage and loan activities described in Paragraph 4, which require a real estate license. investigation revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs:

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VIOLATIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW

6.

In the course of activities described in Paragraph 5 above, Respondents NCGI and MCAFEE, acted in violation of the Code and the Regulations and with respect to NCGI's letter advertisement and solicitation of January 30, 2008, as follows:

- (a) Used the fictitious names of "Newport Capital", "Newport Capital Group" and "Newport Capital Group Commercial Finance" to conduct licensed activities including brokering mortgage loans on NCGI's website without holding a license bearing said fictitious business names, in violation of Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731.
- (b) The letter advertisement fails to state under whose license the loan will be made, in violation of Code Section 10235.5.
- (c) Failed to display the Department's license number, in violation of Code Section 10236.4; and
- (d) Failed to disclose that NCGI was a real estate broker licensed by the Department of Real Estate. As such, NCGI's absence of disclosure is insufficient to satisfy disclosure requirements of Regulation 2847.3, in violation of said Regulation.

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DISCIPLINARY STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

7.

The conduct of Respondents NCGI and MCAFEE, as alleged and described in Paragraph 6, above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth below:

6	<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
8	6(a)	Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731
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11	6 (b)	Code Section 10235.5
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14 15	6(c)	Code Section 10236.4
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18	6 (d)	Regulation 2847.3

The foregoing violations constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of NCGI and MCAFEE under the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

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NEGLIGENCE

8.

The overall conduct of Respondents NCGI and MCAFEE constitutes negligence. This conduct and violation are cause for the discipline of the real estate license and license rights of said Respondents pursuant to Code Section 10177(g).

SUPERVISION AND COMPLIANCE

9.

The overall conduct of Respondent MCAFEE constitutes a failure on his part, as officer designated by a corporate broker licensee, to exercise the reasonable supervision and control over the licensed activities of NCGI as required by Code Section 10159.2, and to keep NCGI in compliance with the Real Estate Law, and is cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of MCAFEE pursuant to the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and 10177(h).

IN AGGRAVATION

On February 06, 2008, the Department filed an Order to Desist and Refrain against Respondents NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc. Said order was served on Respondents on March 14, 2008. Respondents were ordered to comply with Business and Professions Code Sections 10235 and 17533.6 and Regulations 2848(2) and 2848(12). Respondents failed to do so.

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 the license and license rights of Respondents NEWPORT CAPITAL GROUP INC. and JASON JOSEPH MCAFEE, individually and as designated officer of Newport Capital Group Inc., 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 including restitution pursuant to the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

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Newport Capital Group Inc. cc: c/o Jason Joseph McAfee D.O. 25 Robin Trujillo

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