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In the Matter of the Accusation

No. H-36361 LA No. L-2010030250

INFINITY GROUP SERVICES; and KAHRAM ZAMANI, individually, and as designated officer for Infinity Group Services,

SECOND AMENDED ACCUSATION

Respondents.

Hearing Date: Not Set

This Second Amended Accusation amends the First Amended Accusation filed on August 4. 2010.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation

against INFINITY GROUP SERVICES ("INFINITY") and KAHRAM ZAMANI

("ZAMANI") is informed and alleges as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in

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her official capacity.

2.

INFINITY 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"), as a real estate corporation acting by and through ZAMANI as its designated broker-officer.

3.

ZAMANI is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law as a real estate broker and designated broker-officer of INFINITY.

All further references to respondents herein include INFINITY and ZAMANI, and also include officers, directors, employees, agents and real estate licensees employed by or associated with INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who at all times herein mentioned were engaged in the furtherance of the business or operations of INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who were acting within the course and scope of their authority and employment.

5.

At all times relevant herein ZAMANI, as the officer designated by INFINITY pursuant to Section 10211 of the Code, was responsible for the supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of INFINITY by its officers and employees as necessary to secure full compliance with the Real Estate Law as set forth in Section 10159.2 of the Code.

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ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

7.

At all times mentioned herein Respondents engaged in the business of 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, within the meaning of Code Section 10131(d).

8.

At all times mentioned herein Respondents engaged in the business of advance fee brokerage within the definition of Code Section 10131.2 by claiming, demanding, charging, receiving, collecting or contracting for the collection of an advance fee, within the meaning of Code Section 10026, in connection with any employment undertaken to obtain a loan or loans.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Advance Fee Violations pursuant to Section 10085 of the Code)

Respondents engaged in advance fee activities including, but not limited to, the following loan activities with respect to loans which were secured by liens on real property:

a. On or about December 31, 2008, Kristi Hampton paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan

solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 14324 Squirrel Lane, Victorville, California 92394. On or about January 10, 2009, after hearing an b. 5 advertisement on the radio station KFI for loan modification services, Danny Walls paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners." The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement 10 pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification 11 services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan 12 secured by the real property located at 1083 North Glendora 13 Avenue, Covina, California 91724. 14 On or about January 30, 2009, after hearing an 15 advertisement on the radio station KFI for loan modification 16 services, Robert Stelmar paid an advance fee of \$995 to 17 INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners". 18 advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an 19 agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and 20. modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to 21 a loan secured by the real property located at 11668 Goldendale 22 23 Drive, La Mirada, California 90638. 24 d. On or about February 1, 2009, Andrew Carlson paid 25 an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY. The advance fee was 26 collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining 27 to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to

be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the 1 real property located at 10082 Palo Alto Street, Rancho 2 Cucamonga, California 91730. On or about February 11, 2009, Irene Marcellus e. 4 paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the 7 provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property 10 located at 14580 Ashton Court, Moreno Valley, California 92555. 11 On or about March 20, 2009, after hearing an 12 advertisement on the radio station KFI for mortgage refinancing 13 services, George Francis Sylvia paid \$995 to INFINITY, to obtain 14 refinancing of his mortgage loan. The advance fee was collected 15 pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan 16 solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be 17 provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real 18 property located at 14390 Oliver Street, Moreno Valley, 19 California 92555. 20 On or about March 30, 2009, Carol Fleming paid 21 \$995 to INFINITY, to obtain refinancing of her mortgage loan. 22 23 The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an 24 agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and 25 modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to 26 a loan secured by the real property located at 1239 N. Keystone 27 Street, Burbank, California 91506.

h. On or about April 1, 2009, Rebecca Reily paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 36580 Hilltop Lane, Murrieta, California 92563.

Respondents collected the advance fees described in Paragraph 9, above, pursuant to the provisions of an agreement which constitutes an advance fee agreement within the meaning of Code Sections 10026 and 10085.

11.

Respondents failed to submit the agreement and radio advertising referred to in Paragraphs 9 and 10, above, to the Commissioner ten days before using it in violation of Code Section 10085 and Section 2970, Title 10, Chapter 6, Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

12.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth above, are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents pursuant to Code Sections 10085, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

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SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Code Section 10176(a), 10176(b), 10176(i) and/or 10177(j)

13.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 12, above.

14.

Respondents collected the advance fees described in Paragraphs 9 and 10, above, without performing the services for which the advance fees were paid, and, further, in a manner that mislead the individuals as to the nature of the services Respondents agreed to perform.

15.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents as described herein above, constitute making a substantial misrepresentation, the making of false promise(s) of a character likely to influence, persuade or induce, and/or fraud or dishonest dealing, and is cause for the suspension or revocation of all real estate licenses and license rights of of Respondents under the provisions of Code Sections 10176(a), 10176(b), 10176(i), and/or 10177(j).

THIRD CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Audit Violations)

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Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 15, above.

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On or about October 30, 2009, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of INFINITY pertaining to the real estate activities described in Paragraphs 7 and 8, above, covering a period from May 1, 2006, to July 31, 2009.

18.

At all times mentioned herein, and in connection with the activities described in Paragraphs 7 and 8, above, INFINITY accepted or received funds, including advance fees to be held in trust ("trust funds") from or on behalf of actual or prospective parties to transactions handled by INFINITY, and thereafter made deposits and/or disbursements of such funds. From time-to-time herein mentioned during the audit period, said trust funds were deposited into a bank account maintained by Respondent as follows:

Account Name: "Infinity Group Services

Infinity Group Services"

"TA #1"

Account No.

Signatories:

83230425

East West Bank Kahram Zamani

Brian Goshert Agnes Bugarin

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The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations, as set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit Report No. LA 080299 and the exhibits and work papers attached to the audit report:

(a) Permitted, allowed or caused the withdrawal or disbursement of trust funds from TA #1 so that as of July 31, 2009, the trust account had a shortage of \$79,347.80. Respondents caused, permitted and/or allowed said withdrawal or disbursement of trust funds from account TA #1 so that the total of aggregate funds remaining in the trust account was less than the existing aggregate trust fund liability of Respondent INFINITY to every principal who was an owner of said funds without first obtaining the prior written consent of the owners of said funds in violation of Code Section 10145 and Section 2832.1 of the Regulations. (d) Failed to maintain a complete, accurate and continuous control record in the form of a columnar record in chronological order of all trust funds received, deposited and disbursed in violation of Code Section 10145 and Section 2831 of the Regulations. (c) Failed to maintain a separate record for each beneficiary of trust funds or transaction showing a running balance after each transaction was posted in violation of Code Section 10145 and Section 2831.1 of the Regulations. Failed to perform a monthly reconciliation of the balance of all separate beneficiary or transaction records maintained pursuant to Section 2831.1 of the Regulations with the record of all trust funds received and disbursed in connection with TA #1 in violation of Code Section 10145 and Section 2831.2

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Permitted two unlicensed persons, Brian Goshert and Agnes Bugarin, whose fidelity bonds were not in compliance with the Rules and Regulations of the Commissioner in that the bonds had deductibles of \$15,000, to be authorized signatories on account TA #1 in violation of Code Section 10145 and Section 2834 of the Regulations. Commingled trust funds from TA #1 with general funds without proof that the disbursed trust funds had been earned by INFINITY in violation of Code Sections 10145 and 10176(e), and Section 2835 of the Regulations. Accepted trust funds and transferred the trust funds to INFINITY's general accounts (business accounts) resulting in the balance of those accounts being reduced to an amount less than the amount of trust funds deposited to the general accounts (business accounts). The balance in the trust account should have been \$79,600 as of July 31, 2009, but the bank statement balance was only \$252.20 while the balance in the general accounts (business accounts) had an aggregate balance of \$56,975.31. The foregoing constitutes a conversion of funds and violates Code Sections 10145 and 10177(j). Collected advance fees from borrowers in (h) connection with INFINITY's loan modification activities without maintaining and providing accounting content to the borrowers which shows the services to be rendered, the trust account the funds were deposited to and details of how the funds were disbursed in violation of Code Section 10146 and Section 2972 of the Regulations.

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Failed to maintain the original salesperson license certificate for Tyrone James de Wale, License #01251166, at INFINITY's main business location in violation of Code section 10160 and Section 2753 of the Regulations. Failed to maintain a written broker-salesman (i) agreement with its salesperson, Tyrone James de Wale, in violation of Code Section 10177(h) and Section 2726 of the Regulations. Failed to timely notify the Department of the employment and termination of salespersons as is required by Code Section 10161.8 and Section 2752 of the Regulations. Failed to retain all records of INFINITY's loan (1)modification activities during the audit period including deposit slips, itemized deposit and disbursement records, cancelled checks for commissions paid to salespersons and refunds to borrowers, proof of submission of application package to lenders with respect to files placed in "started" status on its Modification Log, proof that refunds were not made, and the script(s) used for loan modification advertising materials in violation of Code Section 10148. ZAMANI failed to have a system in place for regularly monitoring compliance with the Real Estate Law, particularly with respect to establishing systems, policies and procedures to review trust fund handling in violation of Code Sections 10159.2 and 10177(h) and Section 2725 of the Regulations.

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DISCIPLINE STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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The conduct of INFINITY and ZAMANI described in Paragraph 19, above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth below:

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6	<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
7	19(a)	Code Section 10145 and Section
8		2832.1 of the Regulations
9	· 19(b)	Code Section 10145 and Section 2831
10		of the Regulations
11	19(c)	Code Section 10145 and Section
12	15(0)	
13		2831.1 of the Regulations
14	19(d)	Code Section 10145 and Section
15		2831.2 of the Regulations
16	19(e)	Code Section 10145 and Section 2834
17		of the Regulations
18		or the Regulations
19	19(f)	Code Sections 10176(e) and 10145
20	·	and Section 2835 of the Regulations
21	19(g)	Code Sections 10145 and 10177(j)
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23	19(h)	Code Section 10146 and Section 2972
24		of the Regulations
25	19(i)	Code Section 10160 and Section 2753
26		of the Regulations
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6	19 (m) . Co	de Sections 10159.2 and 10177(h)	
7	an	d Section 2725 of the Regulations	
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10	The foregoing violations, as set forth hereinabove,		
11	constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real		
12	estate licenses and license rights of INFINITY and ZAMANI under		
14	the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d) for violation of the		
15	Real Estate Law and/or 10177(g) for negligence or incompetence,		
16	and Code Sections 10176(e) for commingling, 10177(j) for		
17	conversion, and 10177(h) for failure to adequately supervise.		
18	FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION		
19	(Unlicensed Activity)		
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21	Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the		
22	allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 21, above.		
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24	The activities described in Paragraph 9, supra, require		
25	a real estate license under Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2 of the		
26	Code. Respondents violated Section 10137 of the Code by		
27	employing and/or compensating in	dividuals who were not licensed	
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as a real estate salesperson or as a broker to perform activities requiring a license as follows: 2 Respondents employed and/or compensated Kirk a. 3 Knepper to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 9, subsection (a), above, though he was not licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. Respondents employed and/or compensated Arthur R. 7 8 Mack to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 9, subsection (b), above, though he was not at the time licensed 10 as a real estate salesperson or broker. 11 Respondents employed and/or compensated Scott 12 Anderson to perform some or all of the services alleged in 13 Paragraph 9, subsection (c), above, though he was not licensed as 14 a real estate salesperson or broker. 15 d. Respondents employed and/or compensated Nicholas J. 16 Van Vranken Green to perform some or all of the services alleged 17 in Paragraph 9, subsection (f), above, though he was not at the 18 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. 19 e. Respondents employed and/or compensated Jared 20 Sherman to perform some or all of the services alleged in 21 Paragraph 9, subsection (g), above, though he was not licensed as 22 23 a real estate salesperson or broker. 24 f. Respondents employed and/or compensated Mark 25 Christopher Baltes to perform some or all of the services alleged 26 in Paragraph 9, subsection (h), above, though he was not at that 27 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. - 14 -

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24.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents

INFINITY and ZAMANI, as set forth in Paragraph 23, above, violate

Code Section 10137, and are cause for the suspension or

revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents

pursuant to Code Sections 10137, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Use of Unauthorized Fictitious Business Name)

25.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 24, above.

26.

Use of a fictitious business name for activities requiring the issuance of a real estate license requires the filing of an application for the use of such name with the Department of Real Estate ("Department") in accordance with the provisions of Code Section 10159.5.

27.

Respondents acted without Department authorization in using the fictitious business name "Hope to Homeowners" to engage in activities requiring the issuance of a real estate license.

28.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth in Paragraph 27, above, violate Code Section 10159.5 and Section 2731 of the Regulations, and are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of

INFINITY and ZAMANI pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Failure to Supervise)

29.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 28, above.

30.

ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

31.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of ZAMANI, in allowing INFINITY to violate the Real Estate Law, as set forth above, constitutes a failure by ZAMANI, as the officer designated by a corporate broker licensee, to exercise the supervision and control over the activities of INFINITY, as required by Code Section 10159.2, and is cause to suspend or revoke the real estate licenses and license rights of ZAMANI under Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(h).

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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 the licenses and license rights of Respondent INFINITY GROUP SERVICES and Respondent KAHRAM ZAMANI 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 day of

Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Infinity Group Services
Kahram Zamani
Maria Suarez
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Michael J. Khouri, Esq.

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CHERYL D. KEILY, SNB# 94008 Department of Real Estate 320 West Fourth Street, Ste. 350 FILED Los Angeles, California 90013 Telephone: (213) 576-6982 AUG 0 4, 2010 4 (Direct) (213) 576-6905 5 6 7 8 9 DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 10 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 11 12 In the Matter of the Accusation No. H-36361 LA No. L-2010030250 13 INFINITY GROUP SERVICES; and KAHRAM ZAMANI, indivi-FIRST AMENDED ACCUSATION 14 dually, and as designated officer for Infinity Group 15 Services, 16 Hearing Date: August 11, 2010, to August 13, 2010 Respondents. 17 18 This First Amended Accusation amends the Accusation 19 filed on November 19, 2009. 20 The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate 21 Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation 22 23 against INFINITY GROUP SERVICES ("INFINITY") and KAHRAM ZAMANI 24 ("ZAMANI") is informed and alleges as follows: 25 26 The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in

her official capacity.

2.

Respondent INFINITY 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"), as a real estate corporation acting by and through Respondent ZAMANI as its designated broker-officer.

3.

Respondent ZAMANI is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law as a real estate broker and designated broker-officer of Respondent INFINITY.

4.

All further references to respondents herein include Respondents INFINITY and ZAMANI, and also include officers, directors, employees, agents and real estate licensees employed by or associated with INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who at all times herein mentioned were engaged in the furtherance of the business or operations of Respondents INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who were acting within the course and scope of their authority and employment.

5.

At all times relevant herein Respondent ZAMANI, as the officer designated by Respondent INFINITY pursuant to Section 10211 of the Code, was responsible for the supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of Respondent INFINITY by its officers and employees as necessary to secure

full compliance with the Real Estate Law as set forth in Section 10159.2 of the Code.

6.

Respondent ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of Respondent INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

7.

At all times mentioned herein Respondents engaged in the business of 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, within the meaning of Code Section 10131(d).

8.

At all times mentioned herein Respondents engaged in the business of advance fee brokerage within the definition of Code Section 10131.2 by claiming, demanding, charging, receiving, collecting or contracting for the collection of an advance fee, within the meaning of Code Section 10026, in connection with any employment undertaken to obtain a loan or loans.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Advance Fee Violations pursuant to Section 10085 of the Code)

9.

Respondents engaged in advance fee activities including, but not limited to, the following loan activities with respect to loans which were secured by liens on real property:

> On or about December 31, 2008, Kristi Hampton a.

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modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 1239 N. Keystone Street, Burbank, California 91506.

h. On or about April 1, 2009, Rebecca Reily paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 36580 Hilltop Lane, Murrieta, California 92563.

10.

Respondents collected the advance fees described in Paragraph 9, above, pursuant to the provisions of an agreement which constitutes an advance fee agreement within the meaning of Code Sections 10026 and 10085.

11.

Respondents failed to submit the agreement and radio advertising referred to in Paragraphs 9 and 10, above, to the Commissioner ten days before using it in violation of Code Section 10085 and Section 2970, Title 10, Chapter 6, Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

12.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth above, are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents pursuant to Code Sections 10085, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Code Section 10176(a), 10176(b), 10176(i) and/or 10177(j)

13.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 12, above.

14.

Respondents collected the advance fees described in Paragraphs 9 and 10, above, without performing the services for which the advance fees were paid, and, further, in a manner that mislead the individuals as to the nature of the services Respondents agreed to perform.

15.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents as described herein above, constitute making a substantial misrepresentation, the making of false promise(s) of a character likely to influence, persuade or induce, and/or fraud or dishonest dealing, and is cause for the suspension or revocation of all real estate licenses and license rights of of Respondents under the provisions of Code Sections 10176(a), 10176(b), 10176(i), and/or 10177(j).

THIRD CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Unlicensed Activity)

16.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 15, above.

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17. 1 The activities described in Paragraph 9, supra, require 2 a real estate license under Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2 of the 3 Code. Respondents violated Section 10137 of the Code by employing and/or compensating individuals who were not licensed as a real estate salesperson or as a broker to perform activities 7 requiring a license as follows: 8 Respondents employed and/or compensated Kirk Knepper to perform some or all of the services alleged in 10 Paragraph 9, subsection (a), above, though he was not licensed as 11 a real estate salesperson or broker. 12 b. Respondents employed and/or compensated Arthur R. 13 Mack to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 14 9, subsection (b), above, though he was not at the time licensed 15 as a real estate salesperson or broker. 16 Respondents employed and/or compensated Scott 17 Anderson to perform some or all of the services alleged in 18 Paragraph 9, subsection (c), above, though he was not licensed as 19 a real estate salesperson or broker. 20 d. Respondents employed and/or compensated Nicholas J. 21 22 Van Vranken Green to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 9, subsection (f), above, though he was not at the 23 24 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. 25 e. Respondents employed and/or compensated Jared 26 Sherman to perform some or all of the services alleged in 27 8 -

Paragraph 9, subsection (g), above, though he was not licensed as 1 a real estate salesperson or broker. 2 f. Respondents employed and/or compensated Mark 3 Christopher Baltes to perform some or all of the services alleged 4 in Paragraph 9, subsection (h), above, though he was not at that 5 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. 6 18. 8 The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents 9 INFINITY and ZAMANI, as set forth in Paragraph 17, above, violate 10 Code Section 10137, and are cause for the suspension or 11 revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents 12 pursuant to Code Sections 10137, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g). 13 FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Use of Unauthorized Fictitious Business Name) 14 15 19. 16 Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the 17 allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 18, above. 18 20. 19 Use of a fictitious business name for activities 20 requiring the issuance of a real estate license requires the 21 filing of an application for the use of such name with the 22 Department of Real Estate ("Department") in accordance with the 23 provisions of Code Section 10159.5. 24 21. 25 Respondents acted without Department authorization in 26 using the fictitious business name "Hope to Homeowners" to engage 27

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in activities requiring the issuance of a real estate license.

22.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth in Paragraphs 19 through 21, above, violate Code Section 10159.5 and Section 2731 of the Regulations, and are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent INFINITY and Respondent ZAMANI pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

FIFTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Failure to Supervise)

23.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 22, above.

24.

Respondent ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of Respondent INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

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The conduct, acts and/or omissions, of Respondent ZAMANI, in allowing Respondent INFINITY to violate the Real Estate Law, as set forth above, constitutes a failure by Respondent ZAMANI, as the officer designated by a corporate broker licensee, to exercise the supervision and control over the activities of Respondent INFINITY, as required by Code Section 10159.2, and is cause to suspend or revoke the real estate

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licenses and license rights of Respondent ZAMANI under Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(h).

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 the licenses and license rights of Respondent INFINITY GROUP SERVICES and Respondent KAHRAM ZAMANI 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, Galifornia

this day of flugust, 2010.

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Peputy, Real Estate Commissioner

Infinity Group Services cc: Kahram Zamani Maria Suarez

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STATE OF CALIFORNIA

No. H-36361 LA

INFINITY GROUP SERVICES: and KAHRAM ZAMANI, individually, and as designated officer for Infinity Group Services,

Respondents.

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The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation against INFINITY GROUP SERVICES ("INFINITY") and KAHRAM ZAMANI ("ZAMANI") is informed and alleges as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.

2.

 Respondent INFINITY 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"), as a real estate corporation acting by and through Respondent ZAMANI as its designated broker-officer.

3.

Respondent ZAMANI is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law as a real estate broker and designated broker-officer of Respondent INFINITY.

4.

All further references to respondents herein include Respondents INFINITY and ZAMANI, and also include officers, directors, employees, agents and real estate licensees employed by or associated with INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who at all times herein mentioned were engaged in the furtherance of the business or operations of Respondents INFINITY and ZAMANI, and who were acting within the course and scope of their authority and employment.

· 5.

At all times relevant herein Respondent ZAMANI, as the officer designated by Respondent INFINITY pursuant to Section 10211 of the Code, was responsible for the supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of Respondent INFINITY by its officers and employees as necessary to secure full compliance with the Real Estate Law as set forth in Section 10159.2 of the Code.

Respondent ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of Respondent INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Advance Fee Violation)

7.

At all times mentioned herein, in the State of California, Respondents engaged in the business of claiming, demanding, charging, receiving, collecting or contracting for the collection of advance fees, within the meaning of Code Section 10026, including, but not limited to, the following loan activities with respect to loans which were secured by liens on real property:

- a. On or about December 31, 2008, Kristi Hampton paid an advance fee of \$995 to Respondent INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 14324 Squirrel Lane, Victorville, California 92394.
- b. On or about January 10, 2009, after hearing an advertisement on the radio station KFI for loan modification services, Danny Walls paid an advance fee of \$995 to Respondent INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners." The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an

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agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and 1 modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to 2 a loan secured by the real property located at 1083 North 3 Glendora Avenue, Covina, California 91724. On or about January 30, 2009, after hearing an 5 advertisement on the radio station KFI for loan modification services, Robert Stelmar paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY, which was using the name "Hope to Homeowners". 8 advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an 10 agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and 11 modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to 12 a loan secured by the real property located at 11668 Goldendale 13 Drive, La Mirada, California 90638. 14 On or about February 1, 2009, Andrew Carlson paid d. 15 an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY. The advance fee was 16 collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining 17 to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to 18 be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the 19 real property located at 10082 Palo Alto Street, Rancho 20 Cucamonga, California 91730. 21 On or about February 11, 2009, Irene Marcellus 22 paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY using the name "Hope to 23 24 Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the 25 provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by 27 INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property

located at 14580 Ashton Court, Moreno Valley, California 92555.

f. On or about March 20, 2009, after hearing an advertisement on the radio station KFI for mortgage refinancing services, George Francis Sylvia paid \$995 to INFINITY, to obtain refinancing of his mortgage loan. The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 14390 Oliver Street, Moreno Valley, California 92555.

g. On or about March 30, 2009, Carol Fleming paid \$995 to INFINITY, to obtain refinancing of her mortgage loan. The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 1239 N. Keystone Street, Burbank, California 91506.

h. On or about April 1, 2009, Rebecca Reily paid an advance fee of \$995 to INFINITY using the name "Hope to Homeowners". The advance fee was collected pursuant to the provisions of an agreement pertaining to loan solicitation, negotiation, and modification services to be provided by INFINITY with respect to a loan secured by the real property located at 36580 Hilltop Lane, Murrieta, California 92563.

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Respondents collected the advance fees described in Paragraph 7, above, pursuant to the provisions of a written agreement which constitutes an advance fee agreement within the meaning of Code Section 10085.

9.

Respondents failed to submit the written agreement and radio advertising referred to in Paragraphs 7 and 8, above, to the Commissioner ten days before using it in violation of Code Section 10085 and Section 2970, Title 10, Chapter 6, Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

10.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth above, are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent pursuant to Code Sections 10085, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Unlicensed Activity)

11.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 10, above.

12.

The activities described in Paragraph 7, supra, require a real estate license under Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2 of the Code. Respondents violated Section 10137 of the Code by employing and/or compensating individuals who were not licensed

as a real estate salesperson or as a broker to perform activities 1 requiring a license as follows: 2 Respondents employed and/or compensated Kirk a. 3 Knepper to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 7, subsection (a), above, though he was not licensed as 5 a real estate salesperson or broker. Respondents employed and/or compensated Arthur R. Mack to perform some or all of the services alleged in Paragraph 8 7, subsection (b), above, though he was not at the time licensed 10 as a real estate salesperson or broker. 11 Respondents employed and/or compensated Scott 12 Anderson to perform some or all of the services alleged in 13 Paragraph 7, subsection (c), above, though he was not licensed as 14 a real estate salesperson or broker. 15 d. Respondents employed and/or compensated Nicholas J. 16 Van Vranken Green to perform some or all of the services alleged 17 in Paragraph 7, subsection (f), above, though he was not at the 18 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. 19 e. Respondents employed and/or compensated Jared 20 Sherman to perform some or all of the services alleged in 21 Paragraph 7, subsection (g), above, though he was not licensed as 22 23 a real estate salesperson or broker. 24 f. Respondents employed and/or compensated Mark 25 Christopher Baltes to perform some or all of the services alleged 26 in Paragraph 7, subsection (h), above, though he was not at that 27 time licensed as a real estate salesperson or broker. 7 -

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13.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents

INFINITY and ZAMANI, as set forth in Paragraph 12, above, violate

Code Section 10137, and are cause for the suspension or

revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents

pursuant to Code Sections 10137, 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

THIRD CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Use of Unauthorized Fictitious Business Name)

14.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 13, above.

15.

Use of a fictitious business name for activities requiring the issuance of a real estate license requires the filing of an application for the use of such name with the Department of Real Estate ("Department") in accordance with the provisions of Code Section 10159.5.

16.

Respondents acted without Department authorization in using the fictitious business name "Hope to Homeowners" to engage in activities requiring the issuance of a real estate license.

17.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as set forth in Paragraphs 15 and 16, above, violate Code Section 10159.5 and Section 2731 of the Regulations, and are cause for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights

of Respondent INFINITY and Respondent ZAMANI pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Failure to Supervise)

18.

Complainant hereby incorporates by reference the allegations set forth in Paragraphs 1 through 17, above.

19.

Respondent ZAMANI ordered, caused, authorized or participated in the conduct of Respondent INFINITY, as is alleged in this Accusation.

20.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions, of Respondent ZAMANI, in allowing Respondent INFINITY to violate the Real Estate Law, as set forth above, constitutes a failure by Respondent ZAMANI, as the officer designated by a corporate broker licensee, to exercise the supervision and control over the activities of Respondent INFINITY, as required by Code Section 10159.2, and is cause to suspend or revoke the real estate licenses and license rights of Respondent ZAMANI under Code Sections 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(h).

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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 the licenses and license rights of Respondent INFINITY GROUP SERVICES and Respondent KAHRAM ZAMANI 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 172 day of 1800 and 2009

Maria Suarez

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Infinity Group Services
Kahram Zamani
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