

Department of Real Estate 320 West Fourth Street, #350 Los Angeles, California 90013

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE BY: Mussalve Unleave

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of

HOME RESCUE PROGRAMS INC.,
a corporate real estate broker;
SUSAN AMY HERMAN,
individually and as former designated officer of Home Rescue Programs Inc.;
ANA SAMAYOA POSADAS;
GINA MARIE ALCANTAR; and
CYNTHIA LYNN CROCKETT,

Respondents.

It is hereby stipulated by and between GINA MARIE ALCANTAR (sometimes referred to herein as "Respondent"), representing herself in this matter, and the Complainant, acting by and through Martha J. Rosett, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on November 9, 2011 in this matter:

1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and Respondent 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.

- 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.
- 3. On November 17, 2011, Respondent 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. In order to effectuate this settlement, Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges that she understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, she will thereby waive her 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 she will waive other rights afforded to her in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 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.
- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate license and license rights as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made herein.
- 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 Respondent's 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 of the federal government is involved, and otherwise shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceedings.

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:

The conduct, acts or omissions of Respondent GINA MARIE ALCANTAR, as set forth in the Accusation constitute cause to suspend or revoke the real estate license and licensing rights of Respondent GINA MARIE ALCANTAR pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 10137 and 10177(d).

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent GINA MARIE ALCANTAR under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of 180 days from the effective date of this Decision:

A. Provided, however, that if Respondent requests, the initial 90 days of said suspension (or a portion thereof) shall be stayed upon condition that:

- 1. Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code of \$5,000.00.
- 2. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's 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. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of a Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision in this matter.
- 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 the Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.
- B. The remaining 90 days of the 180 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
- 2. That no final subsequent determination be made, 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 Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and re-impose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.
- C. Respondent shall, within six months from the effective date of this Decision, 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.

MARTHA J. ROSETT
Counsel for Complainant

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I have read the Stipulation and Agreement, have discussed it with my counsel, and its terms are understood by me and are agreeable and acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and I 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 I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to 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 the 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 electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of his actual signature as it appears on the Stipulation that receipt of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation and Agreement.

DATED: 4/10/2012

GINA MARIE ALCANTAR Respondent

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The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision in JUL 3 1 2012 this matter and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on IT IS SO ORDERED REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER AYNE S. BELL thief Counsel

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