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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
BY: James P. Chim

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of

DRE No. H-37735 LA OAH No. 2012021130

MARIAN ANTOUN,

Respondent.

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

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It is hereby stipulated by and between MARIAN ANTOUN, represented by Mary E. Work, and the Complainant, acting by and through James A. Demus, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the First Amended Accusation in this matter, filed on June 27,

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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

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submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement (Stipulation).

- 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.
- 3. 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.

 Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges that he understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, he thereby waives his 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 he will waive other rights afforded to him in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in his defense and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondent chooses not to contest these allegations, but to remain silent and understands 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 based on Respondent's decision not to contest the allegations set forth in the Accusation as a result of the agreement negotiated between the parties. This Stipulation is expressly limited to this proceeding and any further proceeding initiated by or brought before the Department of Real Estate based upon the factual allegations in the Accusation and is made for the sole purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this proceeding. The decision of Respondent not to contest the allegations contained in the "Order" herein below, is made solely for the purpose of effectuating this Stipulation. It is the intent and understanding of the parties that this Stipulation shall not be binding or admissible against Respondents in any action against Respondent by third parties.

- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation 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 "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 Respondent 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 admission or waiver made herein.
- 7. 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

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Estate with respect to any matters which were not specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

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DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

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

The conduct of MARIAN ANTOUN, as described in Paragraph 4, above, is a basis for discipline of MARIAN ANTOUN's license and license rights pursuant to Sections 10085, 10137 and 10177(d) of the Business and Professions Code ("Code").

<u>ORDER</u>

WHEREFORE THE FOLLOWING ORDER IS MADE PURSUANT TO THE WRITTEN STIPULATION OF THE PARTIES:

Τ.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent

MARIAN ANTOUN under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a

period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of this

Decision; provided, however, that thirty (30) days of said

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 reimpose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

II.

If Respondent MARIAN ANTOUN petitions, an additional 30 days shall be stayed upon condition that:

- 1. Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code at the rate of \$100 for each day of the suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$3,000.
- 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 Respondent occurs within two 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 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 money paid to the Department under the terms of this Decision.

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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 years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.

III.

Respondent MARIAN ANTOUN shall within six (6) 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.

IV.

Respondent MARIAN ANTOUN shall, by the effective of the Decision herein, provide proof of paying restitution of \$3,000 to Awad Saad as follows:

- (a) Respondent shall deliver or mail the restitution payment, by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Awad Saad's last address on file with or known to Respondent.
- (b) If the payment is returned by the Post Office marked "unable to deliver," Respondent shall employ a locator service (that may include or be limited to the Internet or other database retrieval search) to try and locate Awad Saad. Repayment shall then be made to the addresses recommended by the locator service.
- (c) If unable to effect repayment after using a locator service, Respondent shall provide reasonable proof satisfactory

to the Commissioner of his efforts to comply with the provisions of this Paragraph.

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- (d) If the Commissioner determines that proof to be unsatisfactory, he shall so advise Respondent, and indicate what additional reasonable efforts should be made to make repayment to Awad Saad.
- (e) If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent's license until Respondent effects compliance herein; and
- (f) Restitution payments not made to Awad Saad shall escheat to the State of California.

V.

Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code
Section 10106, Respondent MARIAN ANTOUN shall pay the
Commissioner's reasonable cost for investigation and enforcement
of the matter. The investigation and enforcement cost which led
to this disciplinary action is \$3,109.60. Said payment shall be
made within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this
Decision.

The Commissioner may suspend the license of Respondents pending a hearing held in accordance with California Government Code Section 11500, et seq., if payment is not timely made as provided for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent agreement between the Respondents and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect until payment is made in full or until a Respondent enters into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision

providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

VI.

All proof of payment and completed coursework shall be submitted to Department Counsel James A. Demus, Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105, on or before the dates set forth above.

DATED: 12/4/17

JAMES A. DEMUS, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate

EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

I have read the Stipulation and discussed it with my counsel. 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 can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation by faxing a copy of the

1	signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the
2	Department at the following telephone/fax number: James A. Demus
3	at (213) 576-6917. Respondent agrees, acknowledges and
4	understands that by electronically sending to the Department a
5	fax copy of Respondent's actual signature as it appears on the
6	Stipulation, that receipt of the faxed copy by the Department
7	shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Department had
8	received the original signed Stipulation.
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11	DATED: 10/3/2012 MARIAN ANTOUN
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14	MARY E. WORK Attorney for Respondent
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17	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby
18	adopted as my Decision as to Respondent MARIAN ANTOUN and shall
19	become effective at 12 o'clock noon on FEB - 7 2013
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By: Awet P. Kidane Chief Deputy Commissioner