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## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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| In the Matter of the Accusation of | )                   |
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| SALIYA MAHEN DE SILVA,             | ) No. H-38697 LA    |
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|                                    | ) <u>ACCUSATION</u> |
| Respondent.                        | )                   |
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The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation against SALIYA MAHEN DE SILVA, ("Respondent or DE SILVA") is informed and alleges as follows:

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

2.

At all times herein mentioned, Respondent was licensed and/or had license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code).

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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.

4.

From February 18, 1993 until May 27, 2011, Respondent SALIYA MAHEN DE SILVA has been licensed as a real estate salesperson, License No. 01154425. On May 27, 2011, Respondent's license expired. Respondent retains license rights pursuant to Code Section 10201.

#### FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Failure to Report Indictment)

5.

There is hereby incorporated in this First, separate Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 4, above, with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

6.

Code Section 10186.2, subdivision (a)(1)(A), requires real estate licensees to report to the Department any bringing of an indictment or information charging a felony against the licensee. Said report must be made in writing within 30 days from the bringing of the indictment under Code Section 10186.2(a)(2).

7.

On October 2, 2012, an indictment was filed before the United States District Court for the Central District of California, in Case No. CR12-0959, against Respondent DE SILVA, among others. Said indictment charged Respondent SALIYA MAHEN DE SILVA, with felony violations of 18 U.S.C. § 1344 (bank fraud).

8.

Respondent DE SILVA's failure to report said indictment to the Department in writing within 30 days of the bringing of the indictment, is in violation of Code

Sections 10186.2(a)(1)(A) and 10186.2(a)(2), which constitutes grounds to suspend or revoke Respondent DE SILVA's license and license rights pursuant to Code Sections 10177, subdivision (d) and/or 10177, subdivision (g).

#### SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Real Estate Fraud)

9.

There is hereby incorporated in this Second, separate Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 though 8 above, with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

10.

For an unknown period of time beginning no later than February 23, 2010, and continuing in or about September 2010, Respondent DE SILVA, was employed as a salesperson for 4 USA Loans Inc., a corporate real estate broker located in San Diego, California.

Independent from and unknown to his employer, Respondent surreptitiously engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate salesperson in the State of California within the meaning of Code Sections 10131, subdivisions (a) and (d). Respondent's activities included soliciting buyers and sellers, borrowers or lenders for real property sales and purchases and/or negotiating loans, collecting payments and/or performing services for borrowers or lenders in connection with loans secured by liens on real property.

11.

### Avetis A .: The Gould property.

In or around February 23, 2010, through the instrumentality of false personation, fraudulent representations and deceit, Respondent DE SILVA represented himself to the Bank of America as Avetis A., the owner of the real property located at 4465 Gould Ave. ("the Gould

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property") La Canada-Flintridge, California that the Bank of America had previously repossessed pending foreclosure sale.

12.

Falsely claiming that the Bank of America's Trustee's Sale of the Gould property was invalid, DE SILVA fraudulently represented to the bank that he was Avetis A., the owner of the Gould property. DE SILVA represented to the bank that he had previous to its foreclosure sale conveyed title to the Gould property via Quit Claim Deed. DE SILVA prepared, forged and facsimiled the Quit Claim Deed to the bank in furtherance of his fraudulent scheme to gain possession and title of the Gould property for his own intents and purposes. The Bank of America rescinded the Trustee's Sale of the Gould property and restored title to Respondent representing himself as Avetis A. Subsequently, the real Avetis A discovered that after the bank's rescission of the Trustee's Sale on March 12, 2010 and after the restorral of the Gould deed to him on August 16, 2010, DE SILVA, without his consent, had listed the Gould property for sale.

(Violations of the Real Estate Law)

13.

The conduct of Respondent DE SILVA, as alleged and described in Paragraphs 9 through 12, above, violated the Code and the Regulations hereunder, under the provisions as set forth below:

10176 subdivision (a) for substantial misrepresentation to the Bank of America.

10176 subdivision (b) for false promises of a character likely to influence,
persuade, or induce the Bank of America to rescind its foreclosure sale of the Gould property.

10176 subdivision (i) and or 10177 subdivision (j) for fraud and dishonest dealing

and negligence in connection with the Gould sale transaction.

10137 Unlawful employment.

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#### THIRD CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Negligence)

14.

There is hereby incorporated in this Third, separate Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 13, above, with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

15.

The overall conduct of Respondent DE SILVA constitutes negligence or incompetence and is cause for discipline of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent DE SILVA s pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 10177 subdivision (g).

#### FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Fiduciary Duty)

16.

There is hereby incorporated in this Fourth, separate Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 15, above, with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

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The conduct, acts and omissions of Respondent DE SILVA constitutes a breach of fiduciary duty, owed to the Bank of America and Avetis A., good faith, trust, confidence and candor, within the scope of their respective professional relationships, in violation of Code Section 10177 subdivision (g) and constitutes cause for discipline of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent DE SILVA pursuant to the provisions said section.

18.

Code Section 10106 provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the Department of Real Estate, the Commissioner may request the administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation

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of this part to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

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 licenses and/or license rights of Respondent SALIYA MAHEN DE SILVA, under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code), for the cost of investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other provisions of law including restitution and costs of investigation and enforcement.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

his 7 day of February

ROBIN TRUJILLO

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

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