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BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of) No. H-40041 LA

MICHAEL WILLIAM SCHWARTZ; and SERVICE FIRST FUNDING GROUP, INC.,)

Respondents.)

DECISION

This Decision is being issued in accordance with the provisions of California Government Code section 11520, on evidence of compliance with California Government Code section 11505 and pursuant to the Order of Default filed on April 11, 2016, and the findings of fact set forth herein are based on one or more of the following: (1) Respondents' express admissions; (2) affidavits; and (3) other evidence.

Pursuant to California Government Code section 11521, the Bureau of Real Estate may order reconsideration of this Decision on petition of any party. The Bureau of Real Estate's power to order reconsideration of this Decision shall expire 30 days after mailing of this Decision, or on the effective date of this Decision, whichever occurs first. The right to reinstatement of a revoked real estate license or to the reduction of a penalty is controlled by California Government Code sections

11521 and 11522 and a copy of the Commissioner's Criteria of Rehabilitation are attached hereto for the information of Respondents MICHAEL WILLIAM SCHWARTZ and SERVICE FIRST FUNDING GROUP, INC. (collectively "Respondents").

FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

On November 24, 2015, Maria Suarez made the Accusation in her official capacity as a Supervising Special Investigator of the State of California. On November 24, 2015, the Accusation, Statement to Respondent, and Notice of Defense were mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, and by regular mail to Respondents' last known mailing addresses on file with the Bureau of Real Estate. To date, neither Respondent has submitted a Notice of Defense. On April 11, 2016, no Notice of Defense having been filed herein within the time prescribed by California Government Code section 11506, Respondents' default was entered herein.

2.

Respondent MICHAEL WILLIAM SCHWARTZ ("SCHWARTZ") is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code, as a real estate broker (license no. 01495958).

3.

Respondent SERVICE FIRST FUNDING GROUP, INC. ("SFFGI") is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code, as a real estate corporation (license no. 01525355). Respondent SERVICE FIRST FUNDING GROUP, INC.'s license expired on November 2, 2014. The Bureau of Real Estate retains jurisdiction over the license pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10103.

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From on or about November 3, 2006 through the present, SCHWARTZ has been

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and continues to be an officer, director, and/or person owning or controlling 10 percent or more of SFFGI's stock. From on or about November 3, 2010 through SFFGI's expiration date, SCHWARTZ was and is the designated officer of SFFGI.

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In August 2008, A. Munoz refinanced his home, and paid \$245,000 to Respondents as an investment. Respondents paid interest on the investment to Munoz as agreed upon until December 2012. However, Respondents failed to make any payments to A. Munoz from January 2013 through March 2014. As a result, approximately \$148,000 was left on the investment.

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The evidence established that the conduct, acts, and/or omissions of Respondents SCHWARTZ and SFFGI, as described herein, constitute the making of a substantial misrepresentation and fraud or dishonest dealing, and is cause for suspension or revocation of all real estate licenses and license rights of Respondents SCHWARTZ and SFFGI under the provisions of California Business and Professions Code section 10177(j) (fraud or dishonest dealing as a principal).

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

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The allegations set forth in Findings 1 through 6 above constitute cause under California Business and Professions Code section 10177(j) for the suspension or revocation of the license and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law.

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The standard of proof applied was clear and convincing proof to a reasonable certainty.

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1	<u>ORDER</u>
2	The license and license rights of Respondents MICHAEL WILLIAM
3	SCHWARTZ and SERVICE FIRST FUNDING GROUP, INC. under the provisions of Part I of
4	Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code are revoked.
5	This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on
6	DATED: MAY 3, 2016
7	WAYNE S. BELL
8	REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER
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11	By: JEFFREY MASON Chief Deputy Commissioner
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> DOLORES RAMOS Regional Manager

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