STEVE CHU, Counsel (SBN 238155) Department of Real Estate 2 320 West 4th Street, Suite 350 Los Angeles, California 90013-1105 3 Telephone: (213) 620-6430 Fax: (213) 576-6917 5 6 7 8 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 In the Matter of the Accusation of 12 No. H-41406 LA 13 RICHARD SIN, <u>ACCUSATION</u> 14 Respondent. 15 The Complainant, María Suárez, a Supervising Special Investigator of the State 16 of California, for cause of Accusation against RICHARD SIN ("Respondent"), is informed and 17 alleges as follows: 18 19 1. The Complainant, María Suárez, acting in her official capacity as a Supervising 20 Special Investigator of the State of California, makes this Accusation against Respondent 21

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and all references to "Regulations" are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

All references to the "Code" are to the California Business and Professions Code

LICENSE HISTORY

3.

At all times mentioned, Respondent RICHARD SIN was licensed and/or had license rights issued by the Department of Real Estate ("Department") as a real estate broker.

BROKERAGE

RICHARD SIN

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At all times mentioned, in the City of Temple City, County of Los Angeles. Respondent RICHARD SIN acted as a real estate broker, conducting licensed activities within the meaning of Code section 10131(b) (leases or rents real property for others).

AUDIT

RICHARD SIN

5.

On March 29, 2018, the Department completed audit examinations of the books and records of Respondent RICHARD SIN pertaining to the activities described in Paragraph 4 which require a real estate license. The audit examinations covered a period of time from January 1, 2016, to December 29, 2017. The audit examinations revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs, and as more fully discussed in Audit Report LA170104 and the exhibits and workpapers attached to said audit report.

AUDIT VIOLATIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW

6.

In the course of activities described in Paragraph 4 above and during the examination periods described in Paragraph 5 above, Respondent RICHARD SIN acted in violation of the Code and the Regulations in that:

The bank account used by Respondent for trust funds was not designated 6(a) as a trust account in violation of Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2832.

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	6(b)	Respondent did not maintain a complete and accurate control record or
general ledg	ger of all 1	trust funds received and disbursed, in violation of Code section 10145 and
Regulations	s sections	2831.

- 6(c) Respondent did not maintain a complete and accurate separate record of all trust funds received and disbursed for each beneficiary in connection with Respondent's property management activities, in violation of Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2831.1.
- 6(d) Respondent commingled his own money in the amount of \$8,780.73 in the bank account with trust funds, in violation of Code sections 10145 and 10176(e) and Regulations section 2835.
- 6(e) Respondent used the unlicensed fictitious business name "Re/Max Advanced Realty", in violation of Code section 10159.5 and Regulations section 2731.

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The conduct, acts, or omissions of Respondent RICHARD SIN, described in Paragraph 6 above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth below:

<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
6(a)	Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2832
6(b)	Code section 10145 and Regulations sections 2831
6(c)	Code section 10145 and Regulations section 2831.1
6(d)	Code sections 10145 and 10176(e) and Regulations
	section 2835
6(e)	Code section 10159.5 and Regulations section 2731

The foregoing violations constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of all the licenses, license endorsements, and license rights of Respondent RICHARD SIN under the Real Estate Law pursuant to the provisions of Code sections 10176(e), 10177(d), and/or 10177(g).

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SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

FRAUD AND DISHONEST DEALING, NEGLIGENCE

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Respondent RICHARD SIN rented a home at 6 Greenbriar, Irvine,
California 92604 ("rental home") to Y. Greenfield from October 2013 to April 2017. Before
moving out of the rental home in April 2017, Y. Greenfield asked Respondent if Y. Greenfield
should hire cleaners to clean the rental home, and Respondent instructed Y. Greenfield not to
hire cleaners because Respondent was going to handle it himself. After Y. Greenfield moved
out of the rental home in April 2017, Respondent failed to return to Y. Greenfield the security
deposit in the amount of \$2,750 and failed to provide to Y. Greenfield with an itemized list of
each deduction from the security deposit. The foregoing conduct constitute cause for the
suspension or revocation of all the licenses, license endorsements, and license rights of
Respondent pursuant to the provisions of Code sections 10177(d), 10177(g), and/or 10177(j).

9.

Code section 10148(b) provides, in pertinent part, that the Real Estate

Commissioner shall charge a real estate broker for the cost of any audit if the Commissioner has found in a final decision, following a disciplinary hearing, that the broker has violated Code section 10145 or a Regulation or rule of the Commissioner interpreting said Code section.

10.

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

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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, license endorsements, and license rights of Respondent RICHARD SIN under the Real Estate Law, for the cost of audit, investigation, and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

María Suárez

Supervising Special Investigator

cc: RICHARD SIN

Evergreen Realty & Associates Inc DBA Akason Realty Consulting Group; Apex Realty Group; The ARC Group; The Collective Real Estate Group; Complete Real Estate Solutions; Energized Agents; Evergreen Realty; Evergreen Realty & Associates; Evergreen Realty, HomeSmart; Everyday Luxury Group; The Everyday Luxury Group; Everyday Luxury Living; Everyday Luxury Real Estate; Everyday Luxury Real Estate Group; The Everyday Luxury Real Estate Group; Excel Real Estate Group; Home Rewards Group; HomeSmart; HomeSmart Evergreen; HomeSmart, Evergreen Realty; Homesmart NCG; HomeSmart Professional Partners; HomeSmart Professional Partners Realty; Homesmart Real Estate; Iron Oak Escrow, A Non Independent Broker Escrow; JAS Real Estate Group; Ladera Realty; Luxury Estates Collection; The Luxury Estates Team; MMAG Commercial Properties; Orange County Real Estate Shoppe; Property Solutions; PR Real Estate Experts; RMV Real Estate; Short Sale Relief Group; and Smart Referral Network

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Audits

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