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8	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation of No. H-42395-LA
12	HUNG QUANG TRAN, STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER
14	Respondent.
15	It is hereby stipulated and agreed by and between Respondent HUNG QUANG TRAN
16	("Respondent" or "TRAN") and his attorney of record, Rizza Gonzales, Esq., and the Complainant,
17	acting by and through Laurence D. Haveson, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate
18	("Department"), as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on
19	August 16, 2022 ("Accusation") in this matter:
20	1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by
21	Complainant and Respondent at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be held
22	in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and
23	in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement
24	("Stipulation").
25	2. Respondent has received, read, and understands the Statement to Respondent, the
26	Discovery Provisions of the APA, and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this
27	proceeding.
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3. 1 On September 19, 2022, Respondent filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to section 2 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the 3 Accusation. Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. 4 Respondent acknowledges that Respondent understands that by withdrawing said Notice of 5 Defense, Respondent will thereby waive Respondent's right to require the Real Estate 6 Commissioner ("Commissioner") to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing 7 held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that Respondent will waive other rights 8 afforded to Respondent in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in 9 defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses.

4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation filed
 in this proceeding. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondent neither admits nor denies
 these factual allegations, and understands that, as a result thereof, these factual allegations 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 such allegations.

15 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the
16 Stipulation and Agreement as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions
17 on Respondent's real estate license and license rights as set forth in the below "Order." In the event
18 that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, it shall be void and of no
19 effect, and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under
20 all the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any admission or waiver made herein.

6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Commissioner made pursuant to this
Stipulation shall not constitute an estoppel, merger, or bar to any further administrative or civil
proceedings by the Department with respect to any matters that were not specifically alleged to be
causes of accusation in this proceeding.

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## **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions, 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:

1	The conduct, acts or omissions of Respondent TRAN, as set forth in the Accusation, are a
2	basis for discipline of Respondent's real estate license, mortgage loan originator ("MLO") license
3	endorsement, and license rights pursuant to the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the
4	California Business and Professions Code ("Code") sections 10166.05(c), 10166.051(a),
5	10166.051(b), 10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(j).
6	ORDER
7	WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:
8	I. <u>DISCIPLINE IN THE EVENT OF REAPPLICATION FOR MLO LICENSE</u>
9	ENDORSEMENT
10	1. Respondent TRAN's prior MLO license endorsements, National Mortgage
11	Licensing System and Registry ("NMLS") identification numbers 323444 and 322613 have
12	expired. In the event that Respondent TRAN reapplies for a MLO license endorsement or petitions
13	to have either, or both, of his MLO license endorsements reinstated, any new or reinstated MLO
14	license endorsement shall be subject to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions
15	imposed under authority of Code section 10166.051:
16	a. Respondent understands that he may be required to submit a new MLO
17	license endorsement application through NMLS, and may be subject to payment of filing
18	fees, background and credit checks, fingerprinting, and other NMLS requirements.
19	b. Respondent further agrees that Respondent must satisfy the Education and
20	Administrative Penalty provisions prior to reinstatement of his MLO license endorsement
21	or issuance of a new MLO license endorsement.
22	c. No reinstated or new MLO license endorsement shall be issued to
23	Respondent unless or until Respondent pays an Administrative Penalty of \$1,500.00. Said
24	payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real
25	Estate. The payment must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section, at
26	P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013.
27	d. No reinstated or new MLO license endorsement shall be issued to
28	Respondent unless or until Respondent takes and completes, prior to the reinstatement of
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1	his MLO license endorsement or the issuance of a new MLO license endorsement, the
2	following mortgage loan originator education requirements:
3	(1) Twenty (20) hours of NMLS approved pre-licensure education
4	("PE"), which shall consist of fourteen (14) hours of federal law curriculum, three
5	(3) hours of ethics curriculum, and three (3) hours of non-traditional mortgage
6	lending curriculum. None of these twenty (20) hours of PE may be state-specific
7	curriculum;
8	(2) Eight (8) hours of continuing education ("CE"), which shall consist
9	of four (4) hours of federal law curriculum, two (2) hours of ethics curriculum, and
10	two (2) hours of non-traditional mortgage lending curriculum. None of these eight
11	(8) hours of CE may be state-specific curriculum.
12	e. Respondent may not take any of the PE provided for in Paragraph 2(d)(1) of
13	this Section in an online self-study format ("OSS"). Respondent may take the CE provided
14	for in Paragraph 2(d)(2) in any format.
15	f. For a period of three (3) years from the Effective Date of the reinstatement
16	of an MLO license endorsement or the issuance of a new MLO license endorsement,
17	Respondent shall be required to complete any additional PE and/or CE required under the
18	SAFE Act in a format other than OSS. If Respondent fails to comply with this condition,
19	the renewal application or new application of Respondent will be deemed incomplete by
20	the Department.
21	g. If Respondent fails to satisfy the education requirements provided for in
22	Paragraphs 2(d)(1) and 2(d)(2) of this section, Respondent's MLO license endorsement
23	shall not be reinstated or issued until Respondent presents evidence satisfactory to the
24	Commissioner of having taken and successfully completed the education requirements.
25	h. Respondent agrees that the CE provided for in Paragraph 2(d)(2) of this
26	section is in addition to any NMLS education required for licensure under the SAFE Act.
27	The CE provided for in Paragraph 2(d)(2) will not count toward satisfying standard SAFE
28	Act CE requirements.
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1	i. Respondent further agrees that the Department may exercise its examination
2	or investigative authority pursuant to the normal process for such authorized under the
3	Real Estate Law and Commissioner's Regulations in the event a determination is made
4	finding Respondent to be in violation of the education requirements under this section.
5	II. STAYED SUSPENSION OF REAL ESTATE LICENSE
6	All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law, with the
7	exception of the MLO license endorsements (NMLS ID Nos. 323444 and 322613) referenced in
8	Section I above, are suspended for a period of ninety (90) days from the Effective Date of this
9	Decision; provided, however, that all ninety (90) days of said suspension shall be stayed for one (1)
10	year upon the following terms and conditions:
11	1. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and
12	responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and
13	2. That no final subsequent determination be made, after hearing or upon stipulation,
14	that cause for disciplinary action occurred within one (1) year from the effective date of this Decision
15	and Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate
16	and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such
17	determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.
18	III. INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT COSTS
19	All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent are indefinitely suspended unless or until
20	Respondent pays the sum of \$541.75 for the Commissioner's reasonable costs of the investigation
21	(\$330.55) and enforcement (\$211.20), which led to this disciplinary action. Said payment shall be
22	in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. The payment of the
23	investigative and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag
24	Section, at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the Effective Date of this
25	Decision and Order.
26	June 9, 2023 DATED Digitally signed by Laurence Haveson Date: 2023.06.09 11:12:48-07'00' Laurence D. Haveson,
27	DATED Laurence D. Haveson, Counsel for Complainant
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2	EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION
3	I have read the Stipulation and Agreement. I understand its terms and they are agreeable and
4	acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California Administrative
5	Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the
6	Government Code), and I willingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive those rights, including the
7	right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which
8	I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense
9	and mitigation of the charges.
10	Respondent can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this
11	Stipulation and Agreement by electronically e-mailing a copy of the signature pages, as actually
12	signed by Respondent, to the Department. Respondent agrees, acknowledges, and understands that
13	by electronically sending to the Department an electronic copy of Respondent's actual signature, as
14	it appears on the Stipulation, that receipt of the emailed copy by the Department shall be as binding
15	on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation. By signing this
16	Stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that Respondent may not withdraw her agreement
17	or seek to rescind the Stipulation prior to the time the Commissioner considers and acts upon it or
18	prior to the effective date of the Stipulation and Order.
19	MAILING
20	Respondent and her counsel shall, within five (5) business days from signing the
21	Stipulation, mail the original signed signature page(s) of the Stipulation herein to Laurence
22	Haveson, Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Room 350, Los
23	Angeles, California 90013-1105.
24	Respondent's signature below constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and
25	conditions of this Stipulation. Respondent agrees, acknowledges, and understands that by signing
26	this Stipulation Respondent is bound by its terms as of the date of such signature and that this
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agreement is not subject to rescission or amendment at a later date except by a separate Decision and Order of the Real Estate Commissioner. (Jun 13, 2023 17:40 PDT) DATED: June 13, 2023 Respondent HUNG QUANG TRAN DATED: June 9, 2023 Rizza Gonzales, Esq. Attorney for Respondent Approved as to Form The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order is hereby adopted by me as my Decision in this matter and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on Aug. 8, 2023 IT IS SO ORDERED  $7 \cdot 12 \cdot 23$ DOUGLAS R. McCAULEY REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT -7-DRE Case No. H-42395-LA