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## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of ) No. H-1530 FR )

MEL JOEL WAPNER, )

Respondent.

ORDER GRANTING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

On June 24, 2002, in Case No. H-1530 FR, a Decision was rendered revoking the real estate broker license of Respondent effective July 29, 2002, but granting Respondent the right to the issuance of a restricted real estate broker license. A restricted real estate broker license was issued to Respondent on July 29, 2002, and Respondent has operated as a restricted licensee since that time.

On October 11, 2006, Respondent petitioned for reinstatement of said real estate broker license, and the Attorney General of the State of California has been given notice of the filing of said petition.

I have considered the petition of Respondent and the evidence and arguments in support thereof. Respondent has demonstrated to my satisfaction that Respondent meets the requirements of law for the issuance to Respondent of an unrestricted real estate broker license and that it would not be against the public interest to issue said license to Respondent.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's

petition for reinstatement is granted and that a real estate broker license be issued to Respondent if Respondent satisfies the following conditions within nine (9) months from the date of this Order:

- 1. Submittal of a completed application and payment of the fee for a real estate broker license.
- 2. Submittal of evidence of having, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

DATED: 8/20/08

JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner

BY: Barbara J. Bigby

Chief Deputy Commissioner

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COMPANY, INC., )

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This Order shall be effective immediately.

DATED: <u>8/20/08</u>

JEFF DAVI

Real Estate Commissioner

BY: Barbara J. Bigby

**Chief Deputy Commissioner** 

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of ) TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO. .

MEL JOEL WAPNER,

Respondent.

NO. H-1530 FR

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# ORDER SUSPENDING RESTRICTED REAL ESTATE LICENSE

TO: MEL JOEL WAPNER

On July 29, 2002, a restricted real estate broker license was issued by the Department of Real Estate to you on the terms, conditions and restrictions set forth in the Real Estate Commissioner's Decision effective July 29, 2002 in case No. H-1530 FR. This Decision granted the right to the issuance of a restricted real estate broker license subject to the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to enumerated additional terms, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of said Code. Among those terms, conditions and restrictions, you were required to take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination within six months from the effective date of the Decision. The Commissioner has determined that as of January 29, 2003, you have failed to satisfy this condition, and as such, you are in violation of Section 10177(k) of the Business and Professions Code.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED under authority of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California that the restricted real estate broker license heretofore issued to you and the exercise of any privileges thereunder is hereby suspended until such time as you provide proof satisfactory to the Department of compliance with the "condition" referred to above, or pending final determination made after hearing (see "Hearing Rights" set forth below).

Furthermore, you have no right to renew your restricted license if this "condition" isn't satisfied by the date your restricted license expires.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that all license certificates and identification cards issued by the Department which are in your possession be immediately surrendered by personal delivery or by mailing in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope to:

Department of Real Estate Attn: Flag Section P. O. Box 187000 Sacramento, CA 95818-7000

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HEARING RIGHTS: Pursuant to the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code, you have the right to a hearing to contest the Commissioner's determination that you are in violation of Section 10177(k). If you desire a hearing, you must submit a written request. The request may be in any form, as long as it is in writing and indicates that you want a hearing. Unless a written request for a hearing, signed by or on behalf of you, is delivered or mailed to:

Department of Real Estate Attn: Legal Section P. O. Box 187000 Sacramento, CA 95818-7000

within 20 days after the date that this Order was mailed to or served on you, the Department will not be obligated or required to provide you with a hearing.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

BY: John R. Liberator
Chief Deputy Commissioner

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### BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of No. H-1530 FR TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO. .

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Respondents.

and

MEL JOEL WAPNER,

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO. (hereinafter "Respondent COMPANY") and MEL JOEL WAPNER (hereinafter "Respondent WAPNER") and the Complainant, acting by and through Michael B. Rich, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on April 20, 2001, in this matter (hereinafter "the Accusation"):

All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by Complainant

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

- A11 2. Respondents have received, read. and understand the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA, and the Accusation filed by Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. On May 1, 2002, Respondents filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11505 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw Accusation. said Notice of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense Respondents will thereby waive their respective right require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that Respondents will waive other rights afforded to Respondents in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in 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. In the interests of expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to contest these

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allegations, but to remain silent and understand 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. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as her 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" below. In the event that the Commissioner in her discretion does not adopt the Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondents shall retain the right to a hearing proceeding on the Accusation under 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 Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation and Agreement shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further administrative or civil proceedings by the Department of Real Estate with respect to any matters which were not specifically alleged to be cause for accusation in this proceeding.
- 7. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement, Respondents, and each of

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- 3 - STIPULATION OF TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO. and MEL JOEL WAPNER them, jointly and severally, agree to pay, pursuant to Section 10148 of the Business and Professions Code, the cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. The amount of said costs is \$2.901.10.

8. Respondents have received, read, and understand the "Notice Concerning Costs of Subsequent Audit". Respondents further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement, the findings set forth below in the DETERMINATION OF ISSUES become final, and that the Commissioner may charge Respondents, and each of them, jointly and severally, for the costs of any subsequent audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Business and Professions Code to determine if the violations have been corrected. The maximum costs of said audit will not exceed \$3,479.34.

### DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions and waivers and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following Determination of Issues shall be made:

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The conduct of Respondent COMPANY, as described in the Accusation, constitutes cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent under the provisions of: Section 10177(d) of the Business and Professions Code in conjunction with Sections 10145 of the Code,

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and Sections 2831.2 and 2832.1 of Title 10, California Code of Regulations.

II

The conduct of Respondent WAPNER as described in the Accusation, constitutes cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent WAPNER under the provisions of: Section 10177(d) of the Business and Professions Code in conjunction with Section 10145 of the Code, and Sections 2831.2 and 2832.1 of Title 10, California Code of Regulations; and, Section 10177(h) of the Business and Professions Code.

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#### ORDER

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The respective real estate broker licenses and all license rights of Respondent TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO., and Respondent MEL JOEL WAPNER under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted corporate real broker license shall be issued to Respondent COMPANY restricted real estate broker license shall be issued Respondent WAPNER pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business Professions and Code if Respondents respectively application therefor and pay to the Department of Real Estate the respective appropriate fee for the restricted license within ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Decision. restricted licenses respectively issued to Respondents shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the

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- 1. The restricted licenses issued respectively to Respondents may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent COMPANY's or Respondent WAPNER's respective conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.
- 2. The restricted licenses issued respectively to Respondents may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory Commissioner that a Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- 3. Respondents, respectively, shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for the removal of any of the conditions, limitations, or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.
- 4. Respondent WAPNER shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent WAPNER has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed

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- 5. Respondent WAPNER shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent WAPNER fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent MILLER's license until Respondent WAPNER passes the examination.
- 6. Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Business and Professions Code, Respondents and each of them, jointly and severally, shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable cost for: a) the audit which led to this disciplinary action and, b) a subsequent audit to determine if Respondent has corrected the trust fund violations found in paragraphs I and II of the Determination of Issues. In calculating the amount of the Commissioner's reasonable cost, the Commissioner may use the estimated average hourly salary for all persons performing audits of real estate brokers, and shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work.

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Respondents shall pay such cost within sixty (60) days of an invoice from the Commissioner detailing activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spent performing those activities. The Commissioner may suspend the restricted licenses issued to Respondents pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., οf Government Code, 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 Respondents enter 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.

- 7. Respondents shall prior to the effective date of the Decision, and as a condition to be met prior to the issuance of the restricted license provide evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondents have cured the trust fund shortages alleged in the Accusation.
- 8. Any restricted real estate broker license issued to Respondents may be suspended or revoked for a violation, respectively, by either Respondent of any of the conditions attaching to the restricted licenses.

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MICHAEL B. RICH, Counsel DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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I have read the Stipulation and Agreement and its terms are understood by me and are agreeable and acceptable to I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509, and 11513 of the Code), Government and Ι willingly, intelligently, voluntarily waive those rights, including the right οf 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. TYLAR PROPERTY MAYAGEMENT CO. Respondent

By: MEL JOEL WAPNER

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2 The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement for 3 Settlement is hereby adopted by the Real Estate Commissioner as her Decision and Order and shall become effective at 12 o'clock 5 July 29 noon on 2002. 6 IT IS SO ORDERED 7 PAULA BEDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT CO. and MEL JOEL WAPNER MICHAEL B. RICH, Counsel State Bar No. 84257 Department of Real Estate P. O. Box 187000 Sacramento, CA 95818-7000 APR 2 0 2002

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of )

NO. H-1530 FR

TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., and MEL JOEL WAPNER,

Respondents.

ACCUSATION

The Complainant, JOHN W. SWEENEY, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for Causes of Accusation against TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., and MEL JOEL WAPNER is informed and alleges as follows:

### FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

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Respondents TYLAR PROPERTY MANAGEMENT COMPANY, INC., (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent Corporation") and MEL JOEL WAPNER (hereinafter referred to as "Respondent WAPNER") are presently licensed and/or have license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code (hereafter the "Code").

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The Complainant, JOHN W. SWEENEY, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation against Respondent in his official capacity and not otherwise.

III

At all times herein mentioned, Respondent Corporation was and is licensed by the Department as a real estate broker corporation acting by and through Respondent WAPNER as its designated broker officer.

IV

At all times herein mentioned, Respondent WAPNER was and is licensed by the Department as a real estate broker, and as the designated broker officer of Respondent Corporation.

Within the last three years, Respondents engaged in activities on behalf of others for which a real estate license is required, for or in expectation of compensation, and leased or rented, offered to lease or rent, solicited prospective tenants for, collected rents on, and/or managed certain real properties in California.

VI

Beginning in July of 2001, the Department conducted an audit of the above business activities of Respondents for the time period of July 1, 1998 through July 1, 2001. During the course of the activities described above, Respondents received and disbursed funds in trust on behalf of others.

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Within the last three years, Respondents deposited the above trust funds into a checking trust bank account at Cal Fed Banking in Fresno, California, bearing account number 395-402758-1, in the name of "Tylar Property Management Company Incorporated, Rental Trust Account." (hereinafter referred to as "Trust Account 1").

VIII

In connection with the collection and disbursement of trust funds, Respondent failed to deposit and maintain the trust funds in a trust account or neutral escrow depository, or to deliver them into the hands of the owners of the funds, as required by Section 10145 of the Code, in such a manner that as of March 31, 2001, there was a trust fund shortage in the approximate sum of \$25,284.31 in Trust Account 1.

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Respondent failed to obtain the prior written consents of the principals for the reduction of the aggregate balance of trust funds in Trust Account 1 to an amount less than the existing aggregate trust fund liability to the owners of said funds in conformance with Section 2832.1, Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of the Regulations (hereinafter "Regulations").

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In connection with the receipt and disbursement of trust funds as above alleged, and as set forth in Audit No. FR-01-0007, dated October 2, 2001, and accompanying working papers and exhibits, Respondents failed to reconcile the balance of all

separate beneficiary or transaction records with the 1 control records of trust funds received and disbursed at least 2 once a month, and/or failed to maintain a record of such 3 reconciliations as required by Section 2831.2 of the Regulations for Trust Account 1. 5 XΤ 6 The acts and/or omissions of Respondents as alleged 7 above constitute grounds for disciplinary action under the 8 following provisions: 9 (a) As alleged in Paragraph VIII, under Section 10 10145 of the Code in conjunction with Section 11 10177(d) of the Code; 12 As alleged in Paragraph IX, under Section 2832.1 (b) 13 of the Regulations in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code; and, As alleged in Paragraph X, under Section 2831.2 of ·(c) 16 the Regulations in conjunction with Section 17 10177(d) of the Code. 18 SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION 20 XII There is hereby incorporated in this Second, separate and 21 distinct Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in 22 Paragraphs I, II, III and IV of the First Cause of Accusation 23 with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth. 24 25 IIIX At all times above mentioned, Respondent WAPNER was 26 responsible, as the designated officer of Respondent Corporation, 27

for the supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of the corporation by its officers and employees.

Respondent WAPNER failed to exercise reasonable supervision and control over the property management activities of Respondent Corporation. In particular, Respondent WAPNER permitted, ratified and/or caused the conduct described in the First Cause of Accusation above to occur, and failed to take reasonable steps, including but not limited to the handling of trust funds and the implementation of policies, rules, procedures, and systems to ensure the compliance of the corporation with the Real Estate Law.

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The above acts and/or omissions of Respondent WAPNER constitute grounds for disciplinary action under the provisions of Section 10177(h) of the Code.

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 the license and all license rights of Respondents under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code), and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other provisions of law.

JOHN W. SWEENEY

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

26 Dated at Fresno, California