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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP
INC.,
GLENN EDWARD PORTER, and
DONALD KEVIN HOOVER,

Respondents.

No. H-1859 FR

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC., GLENN EDWARD PORTER, and DONALD KEVIN HOOVER (hereinafter Respondents), represented by Jon Jaffe and the Complainant, acting by and through Truly Sughrue, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing the Accusation filed on December 1, 2005 in this matter:

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

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

- 2. Respondents have received, read and understand the Statement to Respondent, and the Discovery Provisions of the APA filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. On December 16, 2005, 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 Accusation. Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notice of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense they will thereby waive their rights to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA, and that they will waive other rights afforded to them 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. Respondents, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, hereby admit that the factual allegations pertaining to them in Paragraphs I through VII, inclusive, of the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct; that as alleged in Paragraph XXV of the Accusation, the acts and omissions of Respondents described in Paragraphs XIV through XXIV, inclusive of the Accusation constitute the substantial misrepresentation of a material fact; and that the Real Estate Commissioner shall not

be required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.

- Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as his decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on the real estate licenses and license rights of Respondent as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that the Commissioner in his 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 and 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 causes for accusation in this proceeding.

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<u>DETERMINATION OF ISSUES</u>

By reason of the foregoing stipulations 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:

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The acts and omissions of Respondents AMERICAN STAR
FINANCIAL GROUP INC., GLENN EDWARD PORTER, and DONALD KEVIN
HOOVER as described in the Accusation are grounds for the
suspension or revocation of Respondents licenses and license
rights under the following sections of the Code and Regulations:

- (a) As to Paragraphs VIII through XII, inclusive, and AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. and GLENN EDWARD PORTER under Sections 10137 and 10130 of the Code in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code; and
- (b) As to Paragraphs XI and XII, and DONALD KEVIN HOOVER under Section $\underline{10130}$ of the Code in conjunction with Section $\underline{10177}$ (d) of the Code.

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The acts and omissions of Respondents AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC., and GLENN EDWARD PORTER, as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of Respondents licenses and license rights as to Paragraphs XXIV through XXV under Sections 10176(a) of the Code.

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The acts and omissions of Respondent GLENN EDWARD PORTER, as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of Respondents licenses and license rights under Sections Section 10177(d) of the Code in conjunction with Section 10159.2 of the Code.

ORDER

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All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent AMERICAN

STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC. (hereinafter "AMERICAN") under the Real

Estate Law are suspended for a period of two hundred (200) days

from the effective date of this Order; provided, however, that:

1) One hundred (100) days of said suspension shall be stayed,

- upon the condition that AMERICAN petition pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code and pays a monetary penalty pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code at a rate of \$100 for each day of the suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$10,000.
 - a) Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be delivered to the Department prior to the effective date of the Order in this matter.
 - b) No further cause for disciplinary action against the Real

 Estate licenses of AMERICAN occurs within two (2) years from
 the effective date of the decision in this matter.
 - above prior to the effective date of this Order, the stay of the suspension shall be vacated as to that Respondent and the order of suspension shall be immediately executed, under this Order, in which event the said Respondent shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise,

for the money paid to the Department under the terms of this 1 Order. 2 d) If said Respondent pays the monetary penalty and any other 3 moneys due under this Stipulation and Agreement and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of said Respondent occurs within two (2) б years from the effective date of this Order, the entire stay 7 hereby granted under this Order, as to said Respondent only, 8 shall become permanent. 9 2) The remaining one hundred (100) days of said suspension shall 10 be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and 11 conditions: 12 a) AMERICAN shall obey all laws, rules and regulations 13 governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real 14 estate licensee in the State of California; and, 15 b) That no final subsequent determination be made, after 16 hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary 17 action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date 18 of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the 19 Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside 20 the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed 21 suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay 22 imposed herein shall become permanent. 23 ΤT 24 All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent GLENN EDWARD PORTER (hereinafter "PORTER") under the Real Estate Law are 26 suspended for a period of two hundred (200) days from the 27

effective date of this Order; provided, however, that: 1 1) One hundred (100) days of said suspension shall be stayed, 2 upon the condition that PORTER petition pursuant to Section 3 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code and pays a monetary penalty pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business 5 and Professions Code at a rate of \$100 for each day of the 6 suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$10,000. 7 a) Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or 8 certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the 9 Real Estate Fund. Said check must be delivered to the 10 Department prior to the effective date of the Order in this 11 matter. 12 b) No further cause for disciplinary action against the Real 13 Estate licenses of said Respondent occurs within two (2) 14 years from the effective date of the decision in this 15 matter. 16 c) If PORTER fails to pay the monetary penalty as provided 17 above prior to the effective date of this Order, the stay of 18 the suspension shall be vacated as to that Respondent and 19 the order of suspension shall be immediately executed, under 20 this Order, in which event the said Respondent shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, 22 for the money paid to the Department under the terms of this 23 Order. 24 d) If PORTER pays the monetary penalty and any other moneys due 25 under this Stipulation and Agreement and if no further cause 26 for disciplinary action against the real estate license of 27 - 7 -

said Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the 1 effective date of this Order, the entire stay hereby granted 2 under this Order, as to said Respondent only, shall become 3 permanent. 4 2) The remaining on hundred (100) days of said suspension shall 5 be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and 6 conditions: 7 a) PORTER shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing 8 the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate 9 licensee in the State of California; and, 10 b) That no final subsequent determination be made, after 11 hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary 12 action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside 15 the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed 16 Should no such determination be made, the stay suspension. 17 imposed herein shall become permanent. 18 3) PORTER shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of 19 this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility 20 Examination administered by the Department including the 21 payment of the appropriate examination fee. If PORTER fails 22 to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order 23 suspension of the license until Respondent passes the examination. 25 III 26

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All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent DONALD KEVIN

HOOVER (hereinafter "HOOVER") under the Real Estate Law are 1 suspended for a period of fifty (50) days from the effective date of this Order; provided, however, that: 3 4) Thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed, upon the condition that HOOVER petition pursuant to Section 10175.2 of 5 the Business and Professions Code and pays a monetary penalty 6 pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions 7 Code at a rate of \$100 for each day of the suspension for a 8 total monetary penalty of \$3,000. 9 a) Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or 10 certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the 11 Real Estate Fund. Said check must be delivered to the 12 Department prior to the effective date of the Order in this 13 matter. 14 b) No further cause for disciplinary action against the Real 15 Estate licenses of said Respondent occurs within two (2) 16 years from the effective date of the decision in this 17 matter. 18 c) If HOOVER fails to pay the monetary penalty as provided 19 above prior to the effective date of this Order, the stay of the suspension shall be vacated as to that Respondent and 21 the order of suspension shall be immediately executed, under 22 this Order, in which event the said Respondent shall not be 23 entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, 24 for the money paid to the Department under the terms of this 25 Order. 26

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- d) If HOOVER pays the monetary penalty and any other moneys due under this Stipulation and Agreement and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of said Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of this Order, the entire stay hereby granted under this Order, as to said Respondent only, shall become permanent.
- 5) The remaining twenty (20) days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:
 - a) HOOVER shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and,
 - b) That no final subsequent determination be made, after
 hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary
 action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date
 of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the
 Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside
 the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed
 suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay
 imposed herein shall become permanent.

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TRULY SUGHRUE

Counsel for Complainant

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, and I willingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive those rights, including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in

7	the Accusation at a hearing at which I would have the right to
8	cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in
9	defense and mitigation of the charges.
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20	I have reviewed the Stipulation and Agreement as to
21	form and content and have advised my clients accordingly.

Attorney for Respondents

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The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on _____MAY 0 3 2000

> JEFF DAVI Real estate Commissioner

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No. H- 1859 FR

<u>ACCUSATION</u>

The Complainant, JOHN W. SWEENEY, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation against AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC., GLENN EDWARD PORTER, and DONALD KEVIN HOOVER, (hereinafter "Respondents"), are informed and alleges as follows:

PRELIMINARY ALLEGATIONS

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The Complainant, JOHN W. SWEENEY, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in his official capacity.

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Respondents are presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code (hereinafter "Code").

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At all times herein mentioned, AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC., (hereinafter "AMERICAN") was and is licensed by the State of California Department of Real Estate (hereinafter "Department") as a real estate broker corporation.

IV

At all times herein mentioned, Respondent GLENN EDWARD PORTER, (hereinafter "PORTER") was and is licensed by the Department individually and as the designated broker officer of AMERICAN. As said designated officer-broker, PORTER was and now is responsible pursuant to Section 10159.2 of the Code for the supervision of the activities of the officers, agents, real estate licensees and employees of AMERICAN for which a license is required.

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Respondent DONALD KEVIN HOOVER (hereinafter "HOOVER") was not licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker any time mention herein prior to April 11, 2005. At all times mentioned herein from and after April 11, 2005, HOOVER was and now is licensed by the Department as a real estate salesperson.

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Eric Fuller (hereinafter "Fuller"), and Gracie Anderson (hereinafter "Anderson") were not licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker at any time mentioned herein.

VII

At all times herein mentioned, Respondents engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate broker in the State of California within the meaning of Section 10131(d) of the Code, including the operation and conduct of a mortgage loan brokerage business with the public wherein Respondents solicited lenders and borrowers for loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property or a business opportunity, and wherein such loans were arranged, negotiated, processed, and consummated by Respondent on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of a compensation.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

VIII

At all times mentioned herein beginning on or about July 2004, AMERICAN and PORTER employed and compensated HOOVER, Fuller and Anderson, unlicensed individuals, to perform the acts and conduct the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, including but not limited to the activities described in Paragraph IX,X, and XI, below.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, Fuller, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property, including but not limited to the real property located at: (1) 2116 Harrison Drive, Bakersfield, California, and (2) 924 Mammoth Avenue, Bakersfield, California.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, Anderson, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited Luke Martin for a mortgage loan refinance.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, HOOVER, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property, including but not limited to the real property located at 25409 Judith Street, Arvin, California.

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In acting as described above, AMERICAN and PORTER violated and/or willfully failed to comply with Sections 10130 and 10137 of the Code, and HOOVER violated and/or willfully failed to comply with Section 10130 of the Code.

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The facts alleged above are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents under the following provisions of the Code:

- (a) As to Paragraphs VIII through XII, inclusive, and AMERICAN and PORTER under Sections 10137 and 10130 of the Code in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code; and
- (b) As to Paragraphs XI and XII, and HOOVER under Section 10130 of the Code in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

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Between on or about October 13, 2004 and on or about November 10, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$119,000 loan to Piggy Lyday secured by real property at 25409 Judith Street, Arvin, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,865 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,493 from

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Between on or about October 8, 2004 and on or about November 12, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$75,000 loan to Cynthia Dornan secured by real property at 28102 McClaren Avenue, Taft, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,670 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$2,900 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about October 27, 2004 and on or about November 24, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$147,350 loan to Elizabeth Ott secured by real property at 2453 Alder Street, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,555.63 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,707.75 from

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Between on or about July 20, 2004 and on or about August 31, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$148,000 loan to Jeannie Hernandez secured by real property at 924 Mammoth Avenue, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$4,170 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,101 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about July 26, 2004 and on or about November 19, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$148,500 loan to Patrick Sena secured by real property at 3417 La Cresta Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,745 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$7,215 from

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Between on or about October 12, 2004 and on or about November 18, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$160,000 loan to Gary and Heidi Marsh secured by real property at 3417 La Cresta Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,745 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,301.56 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about May 17, 2004 and on or about August 5, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$105,000 loan to Charles and Paulette Treat secured by real property at 2116 Harrison Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,225 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$4,140 from

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Between on or about December 8, 2004 and on or about January 21, 2005, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$128,000 loan to Carrie Messerole secured by real property at 2512 Barnette Street, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$2,616.60 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,510 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about January 10, 2005 and on or about January 31, 2005, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$176,000 loan to Joshua and Jennifer Hatfield secured by real property at 6709 Saint Lawrence Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,760 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the

loan a total of \$1,980 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about June 30, 2004 and on or about August 2, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$163,500 loan to Alex Torres secured by real property at 1819 Shamrock Way, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$4036 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,457 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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In each of the transactions described in Paragraphs XIV through XIII, inclusive, the representation was false, as AMERICAN well and truly knew at the time the representation was made. In truth, AMERICAN expected to receive a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow in addition to the estimated commission, a fact that AMERICAN concealed and failed to disclose to the borrower throughout the time AMERICAN were arranging, negotiating and processing the loans at least until at or immediately prior to the close of the escrow consummating the loan.

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The acts and omissions of AMERICAN described above constitute the substantial misrepresentation of a material fact and fraud and dishonest dealing.

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The facts alleged above are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of AMERICAN under the following provisions of the Code as to Paragraphs XXIV through XXV under Sections 10176(a) and/or 10176(i) of the Code.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

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PORTER failed to exercise reasonable supervision over the acts of AMERICAN in such a manner as to allow the acts and events described above to occur.

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The acts and/or omissions of PORTER described in Paragraph XXVII, constitute failure on the part of PORTER, as designated broker-officer for AMERICAN, to exercise reasonable supervision and control over the licensed activities of AMERICAN required by Section 10159.2 of the Code.

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The facts alleged in Paragraphs XXVII and XXVIII, are grounds from the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent PORTER under Sections 10177(g) and/or 10177(h) of the Code, and Section 10177(d) of the Code in conjunction with Section 10159.2 of the Code.

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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 licenses and 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.

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

Dated at Fresno, California,

this 23th day of January, 2006

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The Complainant, JOHN W. SWEENEY, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in his official capacity.

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Respondents are presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code (hereinafter "Code").

III

At all times herein mentioned, AMERICAN STAR FINANCIAL GROUP INC., (hereinafter "AMERICAN") was and is licensed by the State of California Department of Real Estate (hereinafter "Department") as a real estate broker corporation.

IV

At all times herein mentioned, Respondent GLENN EDWARD PORTER, (hereinafter "PORTER") was and is licensed by the Department individually and as the designated broker officer of AMERICAN. As said designated officer-broker, PORTER was and now is responsible pursuant to Section 10159.2 of the Code for the supervision of the activities of the officers, agents, real estate licensees and employees of AMERICAN for which a license is required.

V

Respondent KEVIN HOOVER (hereinafter "HOOVER") was not licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker any time mention herein prior to April 11, 2005. At all times mentioned herein from and after April 11, 2005, HOOVER was and now is licensed by the Department as a real estate salesperson.

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Eric Fuller (hereinafter "Fuller"), and Gracie Anderson (hereinafter "Anderson") were not licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker at any time mentioned herein.

VII

At all times herein mentioned, Respondents engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as a real estate broker in the State of California within the meaning of Section 10131(d) of the Code, including the operation and conduct of a mortgage loan brokerage business with the public wherein Respondents solicited lenders and borrowers for loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property or a business opportunity, and wherein such loans were arranged, negotiated, processed, and consummated by Respondent on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of a compensation.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACTION

VIII

At all times mentioned herein beginning on or about July 2004, AMERICAN and PORTER employed and compensated HOOVER, Fuller and Anderson, unlicensed individuals, to perform the acts and conduct the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, including but not limited to the activities described in Paragraph IX,X, and XI, below.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, Fuller, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property, including but not limited to the real property located at: (1) 2116 Harrison Drive, Bakersfield, California, and (2) 924 Mammoth Avenue, Bakersfield, California.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, Anderson, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited Luke Martin for a mortgage loan refinance.

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In course of the activities and employment described above, without first being licensed by the Department either as a real estate salesperson or as a real estate broker, HOOVER, acting for and on behalf of another or others, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property, including but not limited to the real property located at 25409 Judith Street, Arvin, California.

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In acting as described above, AMERICAN and PORTER violated and/or willfully failed to comply with Sections 10130 and 10137 of the Code, and HOOVER violated and/or willfully failed to comply with Section 10130 of the Code.

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The facts alleged above are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents under the following provisions of the Code:

- (a) As to Paragraphs VIII through XII, inclusive, and AMERICAN and PORTER under Sections 10137 and 10130 of the Code in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code; and
- (b) As to Paragraphs XI and XII, and HOOVER under Section 10130 of the Code in conjunction with Section 10177(d) of the Code.

SECOND CAUSE OF ACTION

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Between on or about October 13, 2004 and on or about November 10, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$119,000 loan to Piggy Lyday secured by real property at 25409 Judith Street, Arvin, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,865 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,493 from

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Between on or about October 8, 2004 and on or about November 12, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$75,000 loan to Cynthia Dornan secured by real property at 28102 McClaren Avenue, Taft, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,670 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$2,900 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

IVX

Between on or about October 27, 2004 and on or about November 24, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$147,350 loan to Elizabeth Ott secured by real property at 2453 Alder Street, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,555.63 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,707.75 from

IIVX

Between on or about July 20, 2004 and on or about August 31, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$148,000 loan to Jeannie Hernandez secured by real property at 924 Mammoth Avenue, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$4,170 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,101 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

IIIVX

Between on or about July 26, 2004 and on or about November 19, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$148,500 loan to Patrick Sena secured by real property at 3417 La Cresta Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,745 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$7,215 from

XIX

Between on or about October 12, 2004 and on or about November 18, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$160,000 loan to Gary and Heidi Marsh secured by real property at 3417 La Cresta Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,745 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,301.56 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

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Between on or about May 17, 2004 and on or about August 5, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$105,000 loan to Charles and Paulette Treat secured by real property at 2116 Harrison Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$3,225 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$4,140 from

XXI

Between on or about December 8, 2004 and on or about January 21, 2005, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$128,000 loan to Carrie Messerole secured by real property at 2512 Barnette Street, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$2,616.60 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$3,510 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

IIXX

Between on or about January 10, 2005 and on or about January 31, 2005, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$176,000 loan to Joshua and Jennifer Hatfield secured by real property at 6709 Saint Lawrence Drive, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$1,760 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the

loan a total of \$1,980 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

IIIXX

Between on or about June 30, 2004 and on or about August 2, 2004, in course of the activities described in Paragraph VII, above, AMERICAN solicited, obtained and processed an application for a \$163,500 loan to Alex Torres secured by real property at 1819 Shamrock Way, Bakersfield, California, by representing to the borrowers that AMERICAN estimated in good faith that AMERICAN would receive, as compensation for arranging the loan, \$4036 in commission and processing fees, but upon close of the escrow consummating the loan, Respondents received, as compensation for arranging the loan a total of \$6,457 from escrow in commission and processing fees and a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow.

VIXX

In each of the transactions described in Paragraphs XIV through XIII, inclusive, the representation was false, as AMERICAN well and truly knew at the time the representation was made. In truth, AMERICAN expected to receive a rebate from the lender paid outside escrow in addition to the estimated commission, a fact that AMERICAN concealed and failed to disclose to the borrower throughout the time AMERICAN were arranging, negotiating and processing the loans at least until at or immediately prior to the close of the escrow consummating the loan.

XXV

The acts and omissions of AMERICAN described above constitute the substantial misrepresentation of a material fact and fraud and dishonest dealing.

IVXX

The facts alleged above are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of AMERICAN under the following provisions of the Code as to Paragraphs XXIV through XXV under Sections 10176(a) and/or 10176(i) of the Code.

THIRD CAUSE OF ACTION

IIVXX

PORTER failed to exercise reasonable supervision over the acts of AMERICAN in such a manner as to allow the acts and events described above to occur.

XXVIII

The acts and/or omissions of PORTER described in Paragraph XXVII, constitute failure on the part of PORTER, as designated broker-officer for AMERICAN, to exercise reasonable supervision and control over the licensed activities of AMERICAN required by Section 10159.2 of the Code.

XXIX

The facts alleged in Paragraphs XXVII and XXVIII, are grounds from the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent PORTER under Sections 10177(g) and/or 10177(h) of the Code, and Section 10177(d) of the Code in conjunction with Section 10159.2 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 all licenses and 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

Dated at Fresno, California,

this 28th day of Wovenber, 2005