FILED JAMES DEMUS, Counsel (SBN 225005) FEB - 6 2013 Department of Real Estate 320 West Fourth St., #350 DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 2 Los Angeles, CA 90013 3 (213) 576-6982 (213) 576-6910 (direct) 4 5 6 7 8 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 No. H-04455 SD In the Matter of the Accusation of) 12 <u>ACCUSATION</u> MARIEMILIA HERNANDEZ, 13 Respondent. 14 15 The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Deputy Real 16 Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of 17 Accusation against MARIEMILIA HERNANDEZ, is informed and 18 alleges as follows: 19 1. 20 The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Deputy Real 21 Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this 22 Accusation in her official capacity. 23 2. 24 Respondent MARIEMILIA HERNANDEZ, a.k.a. Maria H. 25 Ferrin, (hereinafter "Respondent") is presently licensed and/or 26 has license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of 27

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Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code, hereinafter
"Code") as a real estate salesperson. At all relevant times
herein, Respondent was licensed under the employ of broker Sell
& Save Realty and Loans Inc.

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6 Respondent engaged in the business of a real estate 7 broker in the State of California within the meaning of Code 8 Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2, including performing loan 9 modification activities and claiming, demanding, charging, 10 receiving, collecting or contracting for the collection of an 11 advance fee, within the meaning of Code Section 10026, including, but not limited to, the following loan modification 12 activities with respect to loans which were secured by liens on 13 14 real property.

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On February 19, 2010, Victoria G. addressed a \$1,000
check to Respondent as an advance fee for modification services
Respondent was to provide on the home loan(s) of Victoria G.
On February 22, 2010, Respondent deposited this \$1,000 check.
Victoria G. did not receive a modification on any of her home
loans until May 12, 2011.

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Effective on October 11, 2009, Code Section 10085.6 made it unlawful to collect any compensation for mortgage loan modification services until after the licensee has fully performed each and every service the licensee contracted to perform. Therefore, Respondent's collection of the advance fee

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described in paragraph 4 above violates Code Sections 10085.5 and 10085.6 and provides cause for the suspension or revocation of the license and license rights of Respondent, pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

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Under Code Section 10137, no salesperson shall 6 accept compensation from any person other than the broker under 7 8 who she is at the time employed. At the time of the transaction described in paragraph 4 above, Respondent was 9 licensed under the employ of Sell & Save Realty and Loans Inc. 10 11 However, Respondent collected the advance fee in her own name, without the knowledge of consent of her broker. Therefore, 12 pursuant to Code Section 10132, Respondent's actions were in 13 violation of Code Section 10130. This provides cause for the 14suspension or revocation of the license and license rights of 15 16 Respondent, pursuant to Code Sections 10137, 10177(d) and/or 17 10177(g).

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Code Section 10106, provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the Department, 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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1 WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be 2 conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and that upon 3 proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary 4 action against all the licenses and license rights of Respondent 5 MARIEMILIA HERNANDEZ, under the Real Estate Law, that 6 Complainant be awarded its costs of investigation and 7 prosecution of this case, and for such other and further relief 8 9 as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law. Dated at San Diego, California 10 this 31 day of January, 2013 11 12 13 1415 ica Deputy Real Estate Commissioner 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 MARIEMILIA HERNANDEZ 24 cc: Clay D. Renick 25 Veronica Kilpatrick Sacto. 26 27 4