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BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

FEDERAL HOME LOANS
CORPORATION; and

EVANGELINE MICHAEL SALAS, individually and as designated officer of Federal Home Loan Corporation,

Respondents.

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A C C U S A T I O N

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Respondents.

The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, Bureau of Real Estate ("Bureau") for cause of Accusation against FEDERAL HOME LOANS CORPORATION and EVANGELINE MICHAEL SALAS individually and as designated officer of Federal Home Loan Corporation (collectively "Respondents,") is informed and alleges as follows:

The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.

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

Individuals and Entities

3.a

From December 24, 1980, through the present, Respondent FEDERAL HOME LOANS CORPORATION ("FHLC") has been licensed as a corporate real estate broker, and thereafter as a restricted real estate broker pursuant to Paragraphs 3.c, and 14, below. At all times relevant herein, FHLC was acting by and through Respondent EVANGELINE MICHAEL SALAS as its designated officer pursuant to Code Section 10159.2 to be responsible for ensuring compliance with the Real Estate Law.

3.b

Respondent EVANGELINE MICHAEL SALAS ("SALAS") formerly known as Evangeline Michael Tsoucalas is licensed and/or has license rights as a real estate broker.

Respondent was originally licensed as a broker on or about April 8, 1993, and thereafter as a restricted real estate broker pursuant to Paragraphs 3.c, 3.d, and 14, below. Previously, Respondent had been licensed as a salesperson. Respondent is the broker and designated officer of corporate real estate broker FHLC, and is responsible for supervising the activities of that corporation to ensure compliance with the Real Estate Law. Respondent has been the designated officer of FHLC since June 11, 2002.

3.c

On May 15, 2002, Respondents FHLC and SALAS have been licensed as restricted real estate brokers pursuant to Case No. 2681 SD, as more fully set forth below in Paragraph 14.

In Case Nos. 1652 SD (Desist and Refrain Order), R-5147 (Recovery Action), and H-38466 LA (Accusation, Respondents FHLC and SALAS were disciplined by the Bureau as more fully set forth below in Paragraphs 13, 15 and 16, respectively.

3.e

Table: FHLC Management Structure and Ownership

Name	Licensee	Ownership/Title
Evangeline Michael Salas	Broker	Designated Officer; 100% owner

4.

Whenever reference is made in an allegation in this Accusation to an act or omission of "Respondents" such allegation shall be deemed to mean that the officers, directors, employees, agents and real estate licensees employed by or associated with Respondents committed such act or omission while engaged in the furtherance of the business or operations of Respondents and while acting within the course and scope of their corporate authority and employment, including SALAS.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Mortgage Loan Brokerage Audit)

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A. <u>Code Section 10131(d)</u>. At all times mentioned, in the State of California, County of San Diego, Respondents FHLC and SALAS engaged in conduct for which a real estate license was required pursuant to Code Section 10131(d). Respondents operated a mortgage and loan brokerage engaging in activities with the public wherein institutional and private hard money lenders and borrowers were solicited for loans secured directly or

collaterally by liens on real property, wherein such loans were arranged, negotiated, processed, consummated and serviced on behalf of others for compensation or in expectation of compensation and for fees often collected in advance. Respondents activities included representing borrowers seeking loans on real property and providing services in connection therewith; and

B. <u>Financial Code Section 17006(a)(4)</u>. In addition, FHLC conducted broker-controlled escrows through its escrow division under the exemption set forth in Financial Code Section 17006(a)(4) for real estate brokers performing escrows incidental to a real estate transaction where the broker is a party and where the broker is performing acts for which a real estate license is required.

Audit Examination

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On May 3, 2013, the Bureau completed an audit examination of the books and records of Respondent FHLC pertaining to property management activities described in Paragraph 5, which require a real estate license. The audit examination covered a period of time beginning on January 1, 2010 and ending on October 31, 2012. The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and Regulations as alleged in the following paragraphs and more fully set forth in the Bureau's Audit Report SD 120016 & SD 120020 and the exhibits and work papers attached thereto.

Trust Accounts

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At all times mentioned, in connection with the activities described in Paragraph 6, above, FHLC accepted or received funds including funds in trust ("trust funds") from or on behalf of property owners and tenants handled by FHLC and thereafter made deposits and disbursements of such funds. From time to time herein mentioned, during the audit period and

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2	thereafter, said trust funds were deposited and/or maintained by FHLC in the trust account		
3	described below:		
4	Trust Account (TA1)		
5	Bank: Citi National Bank		
6	Inland North County Office		
7	13520 Evening Creek Dr. North Site 100 San Diego, CA 92128		
8	Account Name: Federal Home Loan Corp		
9	Client Loan Servicing Trust Account #2		
10	Account Number: xxxx-xxxx-1616		
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13	Trust Account (TA2)		
14	Bank: Citi National Bank		
15	Inland North County Office 13520 Evening Creek Dr. North Site 100 San Diego, CA 92128		
16	Account Name: Federal Home Loan Corp		
17	Client Disbursement Trust Account		
18	Account Number: xxxx-xxxx-0385		
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20	Toward A account (TDA 2)		
21	Trust Account (TA3)		
22	Bank: Citi National Bank Inland North County Office		
23	13520 Evening Creek Dr. North Site 100 San Diego, CA 92128		
24	Account Name: Federal Home Loan Corp		
25	Client Loan Servicing Trust Account		
26	Account Number: xxxx-xxxx-0369		

1	Trust Account (TA 4)
2	Bank: Citi National Bank
3	Inland North County Office 13520 Evening Creek Dr. North Site 100
4	San Diego, CA 92128
5	Account Name: Federal Home Loan Corp
6	Escrow Trust Account
7	Account Number: xxxx-xxxx-0377
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9	Trust Account (TA5)
10	Bank: Chase Bank
11	P.O. Box 659754 San Antonio, TX 92128
12	Account Name: Federal Home Loan Corp
13	Escrow Trust Account
14	Account Number: xxxx-xxxx-3477
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16	Violations of the Real Estate Law
17	8.
18	In the course of activities described in Paragraphs 5 and 7 above, and during the
19	audit examination period, described in Paragraph 6, Respondents FHLC and SALAS acted in
20	violation of the Code and the Regulations in which Respondents:
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22	(a) FHLC performed license acts for non-owner occupied investment loans as
23	well as loans for the purpose of second residence. FHLC operated as a residential mortgage
24	loan originator without maintaining a real estate license endorsement as a MLO when required
25	for conducting residential mortgage loan activities, in violation of Code Section
26	10166.02(a) & (b) (Notice of Loan Activity – Safe Act), and as more fully described below;

- (b) Notice of Loan Activity. FHLC failed to file Form 886 notifying the Bureau of its mortgage loan activity by January 31, 2010, or within thirty (30) days of commencing the mortgage loan activity, whichever is later, in violation of Code Section 10166.02(a);
- (c) <u>Mortgage Loan Originator Endorsement License</u>. FHLC negotiated mortgage loans and was operating as a residential mortgage loan originator without maintaining a real estate license endorsement as a MLO;
- (d) Failed to maintain an accurate and complete separate record for each beneficiary or transaction, thereby failing to account for all trust funds received, deposited and disbursed for Trust 1, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1.

9.

The conduct of Respondents FHLC, SALAS and REYNOSO, as the case may be, described in Paragraph 8, above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth below:

<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
8(a)	Code Section 10166.02(a) & (b)
8(b)	Code Section 10145 Code Section 10166.02(a)
8(c)	Code Section 10145 Code Section 10166.02(b)
8(d)	Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1

The foregoing violations constitute cause for the discipline of the real estate licenses and license rights of Respondents FHLC and SALAS under the provisions of Code Sections 10145,

10177(d), and/or 10177(g).

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1	SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Negligence)
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3	The overall conduct of Respondents FHLC and SALAS constitutes negligence
4	and is cause for discipline of the real estate license and license rights of said Respondents
5	pursuant to the provisions of Code Section 10177(g).
6 7	THIRD CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Breach of Fiduciary Duty)
8	11.
9	The conduct, acts and omissions of Respondents FHLC and SALAS constitutes a
10	breach of fiduciary duty owed to FHLC's clients of good faith, trust, confidence and candor,
11	within the scope of said Respondents brokerage relationship with SALAS' clientele, in violation
12	of Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(g) and constitutes cause for discipline of the real estate
13	license and license rights of said Respondents pursuant to the provisions of said sections.
14 15	FOURTH CAUSE OF ACCUSATION (Supervision)
16	12.
17	The overall conduct of Respondent SALAS constitutes a failure on her part to
18	exercise reasonable supervision and control over the licensed activities of his brokerage, in
19	violation of Code Section 10177(h) and Regulation 2725. Respondent SALAS failed to keep
20	FHLC in compliance with the Real Estate Law, and is cause for discipline of the real estate
22	license and license rights of Respondent SALAS, pursuant to the provisions of Code Sections
23	10177(d), 10177(g) and/or 10177(h).
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PRIOR BUREAU ACTION

13.

On February 23, 1989, in Case No. H-1652 SD, an ORDER TO DESIST AND REFRAIN was filed against Respondent FHLC under Code Section 10086 (Engaging in Prohibited Activity, Order to Desist and Refrain) for violations of Section 10233 of the Code and Regulations 2725(c), 2830, 2831, 2832.1 and 2950(h).

PRIOR BUREAU ACTION

14.

On December 06, 2001 in Case No. H-2681 SD, an Accusation was filed against Respondents FHLC and SALAS, which resulted in discipline by revocation with right to restricted broker licenses and other terms and conditions, for a violations of Code Sections 10145, 10159.2, 10176(e), 10229(j)(3), 10229(n), 10232.2(a), 10232.25(a),10232.2(c), 10232.4, 10236.4, 10177(d), and 10177(h) and Regulations 2831.1, 2831.2, effective May 15, 2002. On May 15, 2002, Respondents FHLC and SALAS were issued restricted broker licenses.

PRIOR BUREAU ACTION

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On September 30, 2013, in Case No. R-5147, Respondents real estate licenses were suspended pursuant to this Bureau of Real Estate Recovery action. On October 14, 2013, said suspension was released.

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1 PRIOR BUREAU ACTION 2 16. 3 On October 11, 2012, in Case No. H-38466, an Accusation was filed against 4 Respondent, which resulted in discipline by way of a sixty (60) day suspended sentence and 5 other terms and conditions including repayment, for a violation of Code Section 10177.5, 6 effective October 14, 2013. 7 17. 8 9 (Investigation and Enforcement Costs) 10 Code Section 10106 provides, in part, that in any order issued in resolution of a 11 disciplinary proceeding before the Bureau of Real Estate, the Commissioner may request the 12 administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation of this part to 13 pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case. 14 18. 15 (Audit Costs) 16 Code Section 10148(b) provides, in pertinent part the Commissioner shall charge 17 18 a real estate broker for the cost of any audit, if the commissioner has found in a final decision 19 following a disciplinary hearing that the broker has violated Code section 10145 or a regulation 20 or rule of the commissioner interpreting said section. 21 ///

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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/or license rights of Respondents FEDERAL HOME LOANS CORPORATION and EVANGELINE MICHAEL SALAS, individually and as designated officer of Federal Home Loan Corporation under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code) and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law, including but not limited to repatriation of trust fund costs of investigation, enforcement and audit.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

This 22 day of 304, 2014

VERONICA KILPATRICK

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

Federal Home Loan Corporation Evangeline Michael Salas Veronica Kilpatrick Daryl M. Thomas - Audits Sacto