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BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of)

BEACH HOUSE REALTY;
JOE ECO REAL ESTATE
BROKER, INC.;
and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU
individually and as
designated officer of
Beach House Realty
and Joe Eco Real Estate
Broker, Inc.,

Respondents,

No. H- 04750 SD

ACCUSATION

The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Supervising Special Investigator of the State of California, for cause of accusation against BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JOE ECO REAL ESTATE BROKER, INC. and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU individually and as designated officer of Beach House Realty and Joe Eco Real Estate Broker, Inc., alleges as follows:

1. The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, acting in her official capacity as a Supervising Special Investigator of the State of California, makes this Accusation against BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JOE ECO REAL ESTATE BROKER, INC. and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU.

BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JOE ECO REAL ESTATE BROKER, INC. and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU individually and as designated officer of Beach House Realty and Joe Eco Real Estate Broker, Inc. (hereinafter referred to as "Respondents") are presently licensed and/or have license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code, hereinafter Code).

3. At all times herein mentioned, Respondents BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JOE ECO REAL ESTATE BROKER, INC. (JEREBI) and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU (ECONOMOU) were licensed as real estate brokers. Respondent ECONOMOU was the designated officer and pursuant to Code Section 10159.2 was responsible for the supervision and control of the activities conducted on behalf of the corporation by its officers and employees as necessary to secure full compliance with the provisions of the real estate law including supervision of salespersons licensed to the corporation in the performance of acts for which a real estate license is required.

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At all times material herein, Respondents engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised or assumed to act as real estate brokers in the State of California within the meaning of Sections 10131(a) and (b) of the Code including soliciting sellers and buyers, negotiating the sale of real property, soliciting owners and renters, negotiating the lease and rental of real property, and collecting rents from real property.

- On or about May 26, 2015, the Bureau completed an examination of Respondents BEACH HOUSE REALTY and JEREBI's books and records, pertaining to the activities described in Paragraph 4 above, covering a period from May 1, 2012, through October 31, 2014, for BEACH HOUSE REALTY, and October 29, 2014 through December 31, 2014, for JEREBI which examinations revealed violations of the Code and of Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations (hereinafter Regulations) as set forth below.
- The examination described in Paragraph 5, above, determined that, in connection with the activities described in Paragraph 4 above, Respondents accepted or received funds, including funds in trust (hereinafter "trust funds") from or on behalf of principals, and thereafter made deposit or disbursement of such funds.

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In the course of activities described in Paragraphs 1 7. 4 through 6 and during the examination period described in Paragraph 5, Respondents BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JEREBI and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU acted in violation of the Code and the Regulations as follows, and as more specifically set forth as follows: 6 BEACH HOUSE REALTY 7 Audit Report No. SD 140036 and exhibits Violated Code Section 10145(a) and Regulation 8 2832.1 by maintaining as of October 31, 2014 a trust account shortage of \$69,425.02. There were unidentified and unaccounted 10 11 for funds totaling \$3,146. 12 13

- b. Violated Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831 by failing to maintain a control record that was accurate and complete for each trust account.
- Violated Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832 by collecting trust funds in the form of rent receipts and failing to place said funds into a trust account within three business days following receipt of funds. The trust accounts were not designated as trust accounts.
- d. Violated Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1 by failing to maintain accurate and complete separate records for each beneficiary or property.
- e. Violated Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.2 by not maintaining complete and accurate monthly reconciliations of all the separate records to the control record.

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- d. Violated Code Section 10130 by conducting license activities prior to obtaining a real estate license.
- e. Violated Code Section 10162 and Regulation 2715 by failing to notify the Bureau in a timely manner of the change of its main office address from 1050 Isabella Ave. Apt. A, Coronado to 1047 B, Avenue, Coronado.
- f. Violated Regulation 2731 by using the unlicensed fictitious business name Islander Realty in Respondents' real estate business.
- g. Violated Regulation 2725 by failing to establish policies, rules, procedures and systems to review, oversee, and inspect the handling of trust funds by licensees and employees.
- 8. The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JEREBI and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU, as alleged above, subjects their real estate licenses and license rights to suspension or revocation pursuant to Sections 10165, 10176(e), 10177(d) and 10177(g) of the Code.

FAILURE TO SUPERVISE

9. The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent ECONOMOU, in failing to ensure full compliance with the Real Estate Law is in violation of Code Section 10159.2 and subjects his real estate licenses and license rights to suspension or revocation pursuant to Sections 10177(d), 10177(g), and 10177(h) of the Code.

COST RECOVERY

Code Section 10106 provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the bureau, 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.

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 BEACH HOUSE REALTY, JEREBI and JOSEPH P. ECONOMOU individually and as designated officer of Beach House Realty and JEREBI under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code), for the cost of investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at San Diego, California

this 1st day of October, 2015.

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Supervising Special Investigator

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