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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

Management, Inc.,

LARRY D.A. JUDGE III;

SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.;
and JOHN B. KISS, individually and as
designated officer of Summit Property

Respondents.

### ORDER ACCEPTING VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF REAL ESTATE LICENSE

On or about October 2, 2018, Respondent JOHN B. KISS petitioned the Commissioner to voluntarily surrender his real estate broker license (license no. 01187187) pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10100.2.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Respondent JOHN B. KISS's petition for voluntary surrender of his real estate license is accepted as of the effective date of this Order as set forth below, based upon the understanding and agreement expressed in Respondent's Declaration dated October 2, 2018 (attached as Exhibit "A" hereto). The license certificate and pocket card of JOHN B. KISS shall be sent to the below listed address so that they reach the Department of Real Estate on or before the effective date of this Order:

Department of Real Estate Attn: Licensing Flag Section P. O. Box 137013 Sacramento, CA 95813-7013

This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on November 28, 2018.

DATED: October 25, 2018.

DANIEL J. SANDRI ACTING REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

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EXHIBIT "A"

No. H-04994 SD

 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of

LARRY D.A. JUDGE III; SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.; and <u>JOHN B. KISS</u>, individually and as designated officer of Summit Property Management, Inc.,

Respondents.

#### **DECLARATION**

My name is JOHN B. KISS. I am a licensed real estate broker and/or have license rights with respect to said license (license no. 01187187). I am representing myself in this matter.

In lieu of proceeding in this matter in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (Sections 11400 et seq., of the California Government Code), I wish to voluntarily surrender my real estate license issued by the Department of Real Estate ("Department") pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10100.2.

I understand that by so voluntarily surrendering my license, I may be relicensed as a broker or as a salesperson, or issued a mortgage loan originator endorsement, only by

petitioning for reinstatement pursuant to California Government Code section 11522. I also understand that by so voluntarily surrendering my license, I agree to the following:

- The filing of this Declaration shall be deemed as my petition for voluntary surrender.
- 2. It shall also be deemed to be an understanding and agreement by me that I waive all rights I have to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations against me in the Accusation, and that I also waive other rights afforded to me in connection with the hearing, such as the right to discovery, the right to present evidence in my defense, and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 3. I further agree that upon acceptance by the Commissioner, as evidenced by an appropriate order, all affidavits, and all relevant evidence obtained by the Department in this matter prior to the Commissioner's acceptance, and all evidence supporting the allegations described above, may be considered by the Department to be true and correct for the purpose of deciding whether to grant licensure, relicensure, and/or reinstatement pursuant to California Government Code section 11522 and/or a similar code section.
- 4. Prior to issuance of any new or reinstated license, I shall pay the Department its cost of investigation and enforcement. The cost of investigation and enforcement is four thousand one hundred twenty six dollars and forty cents (\$4,126.40).
- 5. A copy of the Commissioner's Criteria of Rehabilitation is attached hereto. If and when a petition application is made for licensure, relicensure, and/or reinstatement, the Commissioner will consider as one of the criteria of rehabilitation whether or not restitution has been made to any person who has suffered monetary losses through "substantially related" acts or omissions by me.

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6. I freely and voluntarily surrender all my licenses and license rights under the Real Estate Law.

I declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the above is true and correct and that this declaration was executed 2 october, 2018, at AMMIN CT, Tennessee.

JOHN B. KISS

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

No. H-04994 SD

LARRY D.A. JUDGE II;

<u>SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.</u>;
and JOHN B. KISS, individually and as designated officer of Summit Property
Management, Inc.,

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT FOR SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC.

Respondents.

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC. ("SPMI"), representing itself, and the Complainant, acting by and through Diane Lee, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation ("Accusation") filed on or about May 14, 2018, in this matter:

1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which were to be presented by Complainant and Respondent SPMI at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the California Administrative Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the

- Respondent SPMI has received and read, and understands the Statement to
   Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA, and the Accusation filed by the Department of
   Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. Respondent SPMI filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to California
  Government Code section 11506 for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the
  Accusation. Respondent SPMI hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense.
  Respondent SPMI acknowledges that it understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense,
  it thereby waives its right 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 Respondent
  SPMI will waive other rights afforded to it in connection with the hearing such as the right to
  present evidence in its defense and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. These factual allegations 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 this Stipulation as his Decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalties and sanctions on the real estate license and license rights of Respondent SPMI as set forth in the below "Order." In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt this Stipulation, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondent SPMI shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by this Stipulation herein.
- 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation herein 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, but do constitute a bar, estoppel, and merger as to any allegations specifically and actually contained in

the Accusation against Respondent SPMI herein.

- 7. Respondent SPMI understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation, Respondent SPMI agrees to pay, pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10106, the cost of the investigation and enforcement. The amount of investigation and enforcement cost is \$4,126.40.
- 8. Respondent SPMI understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, Respondent SPMI agrees to pay, pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10148, the cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. The amount of said cost for the original audit (SD160024) is \$14,008.00.
- 9. Respondent SPMI understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, the findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues become final, and the Commissioner may charge Respondent SPMI for the cost of any subsequent audit conducted pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10148. The maximum cost of the subsequent audit will not exceed \$17,510.00.

#### **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

By reason of the foregoing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

The conduct, acts, or omissions of Respondent SPMI, as described in the Accusation and Paragraph 4, above, are a basis for discipline of Respondent SPMI's license and license rights as violation of the Real Estate Law pursuant to California Business and Professions Code sections 10140.6, 10145, 10145(a), 10148, 10161.8, 10177(d), 10177(g), and 10177(h) and Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations sections 2725, 2726, 2731, 2773, 2752, 2831, 2831.1, 2831.2, 2832, and 2832.1.

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#### **ORDER**

# WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made: (RESTRICTED BROKER LICENSE)

I.

All license and licensing rights of Respondent SPMI, under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate broker license shall be issued to Respondent SPMI pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10156.5 if Respondent SPMI makes application therefor and pays to the Department of Real Estate the appropriate fee for the restricted license within ninety (90) days from the effective date of this Decision. The restricted license issued to Respondent SPMI shall be subject to all of the provisions of California Business and Professions Code section 10156.7 and to the following limitations, conditions, and restrictions imposed under authority of the California Business and Professions Code:

- 1. The restricted license issued to Respondent SPMI may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent SPMI's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent SPMI's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.
- 2. The restricted license issued to Respondent SPMI may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent SPMI has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or conditions attaching to this restricted license.
- 3. Respondent SPMI 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 three (3) years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted license to Respondent SPMI.

#### (INVESTIGATION AND ENFORCEMENT COSTS)

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Respondent SPMI shall, within two (2) months from the effective date of this

Decision and Order, pay the sum of \$4,126.40 for the Commissioner's reasonable cost for investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. The investigative and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, within two (2) months from the effective date of this Decision and Order. If the costs of investigation and enforcement are not paid within two (2) months from the effective date of this Decision and Order, the licenses and license rights of Respondent SPMI shall automatically be suspended until full payment is made.

#### (AUDIT COSTS)

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1. Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10148, Respondent SPMI shall pay \$14,008.00 for the Commissioner's cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. Respondent SPMI shall pay this \$14,008.00 within thirty (30) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. Payment of audit costs should not be made until Respondent PERRY receives the invoice. If Respondent SPMI fails to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, the real estate license of Respondent SPMI shall automatically be suspended until payment is made in full, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

2. Pursuant to California Business and Professions Code section 10148,
Respondent SPMI shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable cost, not to exceed \$17,510.00, for an audit to determine if Respondent SPMI has corrected the violations found in 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 broker(s), and shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work. Respondent SPMI shall pay such cost within thirty (30) days of receiving an invoice therefor from the Commissioner. Payment of the audit costs should not be made until Respondent SPMI receives the invoice. If Respondent SPMI fails to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, the real estate license of Respondent SPMI shall automatically be suspended until payment is made in full, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

DATED: 10/10/2018

DIANE LEE, Counsel for Department of Real Estate

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#### **EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION**

I, JOHN B. KISS, as designated officer of SUMMIT PROPERTY

MANAGEMENT, INC., have read the Stipulation. Its terms are understood by SPMI and me, and are agreeable and acceptable to SPMI and me. I understand that SPMI and I are waiving rights given to SPMI and me by the California APA (including, but not limited to, California Government Code sections 11506, 11508, 11509, and 11513), and SPMI and I willingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waive those rights, including, but not limited to, the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which SPMI and I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against SPMI and me, and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

MAILING AND FACSIMILE

Respondent SPMI (1) shall <u>mail</u> the original signed signature page of this Stipulation herein to Department of Real Estate, Attention: Legal Section – Diane Lee, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105. Respondent SPMI shall also (2)

facsimile a copy of signed signature page, to the Department of Real Estate at the following telephone/fax number: (213) 576-6917, Attention: Diane Lee. A facsimile constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation. Respondent SPMI agrees, acknowledges, and understands that by electronically sending to the Department of Real Estate a facsimile copy of the actual signature of JOHN B. KISS, as designated officer of SPMI, as it appears on the Stipulation that receipt of the facsimile copy by the Department of Real Estate shall be as binding on Respondent SPMI as if the Department of Real Estate had received the original signed Stipulation. DATED: 20ct 18 SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC., by John B. Kiss (designated officer) The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to Respondent SUMMIT PROPERTY MANAGEMENT, INC., and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on November 28 2018. IT IS SO ORDERED DANIEL J. SANDRI ACTING REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER Sann / Sun

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