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8 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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11 In the Matter of the Accusation Against)
12)
13 STEPHANIE ANNE ARTEAGA,)
14 Respondent.)

DRE No. H-05716 SD

STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT
IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER

16 It is hereby stipulated by and between STEPHANIE ANNE ARTEAGA (sometimes
17 referred to as “Respondent”), acting by and through her attorney Adeline Tungate, and the
18 Complainant, acting by and through Kevin H. Sun, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as
19 follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the First Amended Accusation
20 (“Accusation”) filed on November 8, 2022, in this matter:

21 1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by
22 Complainant and Respondent at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be
23 held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (“APA”), shall
24 instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation
25 and Agreement (“Stipulation”).

26 2. Respondent received, read and understands the Statement to Respondent, the
27 Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate

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1 (“Department”) in this proceeding.

2 3. Respondent filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government
3 Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondent
4 hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges that
5 Respondent understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense Respondent thereby waives
6 Respondent’s right to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a
7 contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that Respondent will
8 waive other rights afforded to Respondent in connection with the hearing such as the right to
9 present evidence in his defense, and the right to cross-examine witnesses.

10 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation filed in
11 this proceeding. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondent chooses not to contest
12 these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understands that, as a result thereof, these
13 factual statements, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary action stipulated to
14 herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove
15 such allegations.

16 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt this
17 Stipulation as his Decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on
18 Respondent’s real estate license and license rights as set forth in the below “Order.” In the event
19 that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, the Stipulation shall be
20 void and of no effect and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and proceed on the
21 Accusation under the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver
22 made herein.

23 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to
24 this Stipulation shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further administrative or
25 civil proceedings by the Department with respect to any matters which were not specifically
26 alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

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1 issuance of another MLO license endorsement.

2 II. MORTGAGE LOAN ORIGINATION EDUCATION

3 1. Respondent shall, within ninety (90) days from the Effective Date of this Decision and
4 Order, take and complete the following mortgage loan originator education requirements:

- 5 a) Twenty (20) hours of NMLS approved pre-licensure education (“PE”), which
6 shall consist of fourteen (14) hours of federal law curriculum, three (3) hours of
7 ethics curriculum, and three (3) hours of non-traditional mortgage lending
8 curriculum. None of these twenty (20) hours of PE may be state-specific
9 curriculum;
- 10 b) Eight (8) hours of continuing education (“CE”), which shall consist of four (4)
11 hours of federal law curriculum, two (2) hours of ethics curriculum, and two (2)
12 hours of non-traditional mortgage lending curriculum. None of these eight (8)
13 hours of CE may be state-specific curriculum.

14 2. Respondent may not take any of the PE provided for in Paragraph 1(a) of this Section
15 in an online self-study format (“OSS”). Respondent may take the CE provided for in Paragraph
16 1(b) in any format.


17 3. For a period of three (3) years from the Effective Date of this Order, Respondent shall
18 be required to complete any additional required PE and/or CE in a format other than OSS. If
19 Respondent fails to comply with this condition, the renewal application or new application of
20 Respondent will be deemed incomplete by the Department.

21 4. If Respondent fails to timely satisfy the education provided for in Paragraph 1 of this
22 section, Respondent’s MLO license endorsement shall remain suspended until Respondent
23 presents evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of having taken and successfully completed
24 the education requirements.

25 5. Respondent agrees that the CE provided for in Paragraph 1 of this section is in addition
26 to any NMLS education required for licensure under the SAFE Act. The CE provided for in
27 Paragraph 1 will not count toward satisfying 2023 or 2024 standard SAFE Act CE requirements.

1 payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check made payable to the Department of Real Estate.
2 The payment of the investigative and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Department of
3 Real Estate, Flag Section, at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the
4 Effective Date of this Decision and Order.

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6 DATED: 3/6/2023


Kevin H. Sun, Counsel for
Department of Real Estate

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9 EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

10 I have read the Stipulation and its terms are understood by me and are agreeable and
11 acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California
12 Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and
13 11513 of the Government Code), and I willingly, intelligently and voluntarily waive those rights,
14 including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a
15 hearing at which I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present
16 evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

17 Respondent shall mail the original signed signature page of the stipulation herein to
18 Kevin H. Sun, Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite
19 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105.

20 In the event of time constraints before an administrative hearing, Respondent can signify
21 acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by
22 emailing a scanned copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondent, to the
23 Department counsel assigned to this case. Respondent agrees, acknowledges, and understands
24 that by electronically sending the Department a scan of Respondent's actual signature as it
25 appears on the Stipulation and Agreement that receipt of the scan by the Department shall be
26 binding on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation and
27 Agreement.

1 Respondent's signature below constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and
2 conditions of this Stipulation. Respondent agrees, acknowledges and understands that by signing
3 this Stipulation, Respondent is bound by its terms as of the date of such signatures and that this
4 agreement is not subject to rescission or amendment at a later date except by a separate Decision
5 and Order of the Real Estate Commissioner.

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7 DATED: 2/15/2023



8 STEPHANIE ANNE ARTEAGA
9 Respondent

10 DATED: 2/20/2023



11 Adeline Tungate, Esq.
12 Counsel for Respondent
13 Approved as to Form

14 The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to
15 Respondent STEPHANIE ANNE ARTEAGA and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on
16 MAY 17 2023

17 IT IS SO ORDERED 4.4.23

18 DOUGLAS R. McCAULEY
19 REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

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