BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE P. O. Box 137007 2 FILED Sacramento, CA 95813-7007 3 Telephone: (916) 263-8670 JUN 19 2017 4 Fax: (916) 263-3767 **BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE** 5 6 7 8 BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 12 In the Matter of the Accusation of BRE No. H-6437 SAC 13 LAGUAN EUGENE LEA and LEA PANNELL REALTY, INC., 14 STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT 15 Respondents. IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER 16 It is hereby stipulated by and between LAGUAN EUGENE LEA (LEA), LEA 17 PANNELL REALTY, INC. (LPR), collectively Respondents, their counsel, Osby Davis, and the 18 Complainant, acting by and through Richard K. Uno, Counsel for the Bureau of Real Estate 19 (Bureau); as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on 20 September 14, 2016, in this matter: 21 All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be 1. 22 presented by Complainant and Respondents at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing 23 was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act (APA), 24 shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this 25 Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order (Stipulation). 26 Respondents have received, read, and understands the Statement to 2. 27

Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Bureau of Real Estate in this proceeding.

- 3. Respondents filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11505 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notice of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense they will thereby waive their right to require the Real Estate Commissioner (Commissioner) to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that they will waive other rights afforded to them in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of expediency and economy, Respondents chose not to contest these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understands that, as a result thereof, these factual statements will serves as a prima facie basis for the "Determination of Issues" and "Order" set forth below. The Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.
- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation as his Decision and Order in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondents shall retain the rights to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any admission or waiver made herein.
- 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation shall not constitute an estoppel, merger, or bar to any further administrative or civil proceedings by the Bureau of Real Estate with respect to any matters which were not

specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

- 7. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation, Respondents agrees to pay, pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code, the cost of the audit which resulted in the violation(s) found in the Determination of Issues. The amount of such costs is \$7,907.65.
- 9. Respondents further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation, the findings set forth below in the "Determination of Issues" become final, and that the Commissioner may charge said Respondents for the costs of any audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code to determine if the violations have been corrected. The maximum cost of said audit shall not exceed \$9,884.56.
- 10. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order, Respondents agree to pay, jointly and severally, pursuant to Section 10106 of the Code, the cost of the investigation and enforcement which resulted in the determination that Respondents committed the violations found in the Determination of Issues. The amount of said costs is \$1,330.45.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions and waivers, and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the acts and/or omissions of Respondents, as described in the Accusation, constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondents under the provisions of Sections 2832, 2832.1 and 2834 of the Regulations and Section 10130, 10145, 10177(d) and 10177(g) of the Code.

<u>ORDER</u>

LAGUAN EUGENE LEA

All licenses and licensing rights of LEA, under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate broker license shall be issued to LEA, pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code, if LEA makes application therefore and pays to the Bureau of Real Estate the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Stipulation. The restricted license issued to LEA shall be subject to all of the provisions of

requirements includes evidence that Respondent has successfully completed the trust fund account and handling continuing education courses, no earlier than 120 days prior to the effective date of the Decision and Order in this matter. Proof of completion of the trust fund accounting and handling course must be delivered to the Bureau of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013 or by fax at 916-263-8758, prior to the effective date of this Decision and Order.

6. LEA shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Bureau including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If LEA fails to satisfy this condition, LEA's real estate license shall automatically be suspended until Respondent passes the examination.

LEA PANNELL REALTY, INC.

All licenses and licensing rights of LPR, under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted corporate real estate broker license shall be issued to LPR, pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code, if LPR makes application therefore and pays to the Bureau of Real Estate the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Stipulation. The restricted license issued to LPR shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Code and to the following limitations, conditions, and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of the Code:

- 1. The restricted license issued to LPR may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner in the event of LPR's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to LPR's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.
- 2. The restricted license issued to LPR may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that LPR has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Commissioner or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- 2. LPR shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of any unrestricted real estate license nor the removal of any of the conditions, limitations, or restrictions of a restricted

until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Stipulation. LPR shall not be eligible to apply for any unrestricted licenses until all restrictions attaching to the license have been removed.

LEA and LPR (Respondents)

- 1. Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code, Respondents shall, jointly and severally, pay the sum of \$7,907.65 for the Commissioner's cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action. Respondents shall pay such cost within sixty (60) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. Payment of audit costs should not be made until Respondents receives the invoice. If Respondents fail to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondents' real estate licenses 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 Section 10148 of the Code, Respondents shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable cost, not to exceed \$9,884.56 for an audit to determine if Respondents have corrected the violation(s) 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 brokers, and shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work. Respondents shall pay such cost within sixty (60) days of receiving an invoice therefore from the Commissioner. Payment of the audit costs should not be made until Respondent receives the invoice. If Respondents fail to satisfy this condition in a timely manner as provided for herein, Respondents' real estate licenses 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. and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Bureau of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013, prior to the effective date of this Stipulation.
- 3. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents are indefinitely suspended unless or until they jointly and severally pay the sum of \$1,330.45 for the Commissioner's reasonable cost of the investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action. Said

payment shall be only in the form of a <u>cashier's check</u> or <u>certified check</u> made payable to the Bureau of Real Estate. The investigative and enforcement costs must be delivered to the Bureau of Real Estate, Legal Section at P.O. Box 137007, Sacramento, CA 95813-7007, prior to the effective date of this Order.

5/14/17 DATED

RICHARD K. UNO, Counsel III BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

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I have read the Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order and its terms are understood by me and are agreeable and acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving rights given to me by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and I willingly, intelligently, and voluntarily waive those rights, including the right of requiring the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a hearing at which I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges. I understand that I must sign and return this Stipulation by fax to (916) 263-3767 or by email to Richard.Uno@dre.ca.gov. I further agree to mail the original Stipulation no later than five days after signing it to: Bureau of Real Estate, Legal Section, P.O. Box 137007, Sacramento, California 95813-7007. I understand that failure to mail the original back may result in this matter going to hearing.

5-9-2017 DATED

LAGUAN EUGENE LEA

1	LEA PANNELL REALTY, INC.
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7	I have reviewed this Stipulation and Agreement as to form and content and have advised my clients accordingly.
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12	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order is hereby
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14	adopted by the Real Estate Commissioner as his Decision and Order and shall become effective
15	at 12 o'clock noon on JUL 1 0 2017
16	IT IS SO ORDERED $\frac{6/13/2017}{}$.
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