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## BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

 STATE OF CALIFORNIAIn the Matter of the Accusation of KENNETH ROBERT THORNE, Respondent.


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No. H-6487 SAC

## ACCUSATION

The Complainant, TRICIA D. PARKHURST, acting in her official capacity as a Supervising Special Investigator of the State of California, for cause of Accusation against KENNETH ROBERT THORNE (Respondent), is informed and alleges as follows:

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At all times herein mentioned, Respondent was and is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code (the Code) by the Bureau of Real Estate (the Bureau) as a real estate broker. 2

On or about March 21, 2014, in the U.S. Bankruptcy Court, Eastern District of California, Case No. 12-35545-C-7, the court issued a Judgment after trial that excepted from discharge Respondent's debt owed to Shirley Andre and Joseph Andre (Plaintiffs) under 11 U.S.C. § 523 (a) (2) (A) (Money and Property Obtained by Fraud) and U.S.C. § 523 (a) (4) (Fraud or Defalcation by a Fiduciary). The court found that Respondent knowingly made false
representations to Plaintiffs, that Plaintiffs justifiably relied on such representations, and thereby suffered damages as a proximate result thereof.

In the Judgment for Case No. 12-35545-C-7, the court ordered that Plaintiffs shall recover from Respondent $\$ 1,182.009 .46$, which included punitive damages against Respondent in the amount of $\$ 400,000$.

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On or about July 2, 2015, in the United States Bankruptcy Appellate Panel of the Ninth Circuit, Case No. 12-35545, the Court affirmed the bankruptcy court's nondischargeability judgment except in regards to the portion of the judgment that excepted from discharge misappropriated loan payments and loan origination fees.

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The facts set forth above constitute cause under Section 10177.5 of the Code (final judgment obtained in civil action against real estate licensee for fraud, misrepresentation or deceit with reference to transaction requiring a real estate license, as grounds for suspension or revocation or real estate license) for the suspension or revocation of all licenses and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law.

## COST RECOVERY

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Section 10106 of the Code 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 revoking all licenses and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law, for the cost of investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other provisions of law.


Dated at Sacramento, California, on
this $\qquad$ , 2017.

## DISCOVERY DEMAND

Pursuant to Sections 11507.6, et seq. of the Administrative Procedure Act, the Department hereby makes demand for discovery pursuant to the guidelines set forth in the Administrative Procedure Act. Failure to provide Discovery to the Department may result in the exclusion of witnesses and documents at the hearing or other sanctions that the Office of Administrative Hearings deems appropriate.

