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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of Case No. H-11410 SF

H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. and JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG,

Respondents.

Respondents.

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondents H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. and JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG (collectively referred to herein as "Respondents"), acting by and through Leslie Baxter, Esq., Counsel for Respondents, and the Complainant, acting by and through Annette E. Ferrante, Esq., Counsel for the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on June 13, 2012, in this matter:

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

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- 2. Respondents have received, read and understand the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department 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 Respondents understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, Respondents will thereby waive Respondents' 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 Respondents will waive other rights afforded to Respondents 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 expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to contest these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result thereof, these factual statements will serve 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. This Stipulation and Respondents' decision not to contest the Accusation are made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition in this proceeding and are expressly limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in which the Department, the state or federal government, an agency of this state, or an agency of another state is involved.
- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as his decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the "Order"

below. In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation and Agreement, it shall be void and of no effect, and Respondents shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all of the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any admission or waiver made herein.

- 7. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation and Agreement shall not constitute an estoppel, merger or bar to any further administrative or civil proceedings by the Department with respect to any matters which were not specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.
- 8. Respondents understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, Respondents agree to pay, pursuant to Section 10148 of the California Business and Professions Code ("the Code"), the costs of the audit which resulted in the determination that Respondents committed the trust fund violation(s) found in the Determination of Issues. The amount of such costs is \$8,723.41.
- 9. Respondents further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, 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 costs of said audit shall not exceed \$8,723.41.
- Agreement, Respondents agree to pay, pursuant to Section 10106 of the Code, the costs of the investigation and enforcement of this case which resulted in the determination that Respondents committed the violation(s) found in the Determination of Issues. The amount of such cost is \$2,996.50.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions and waivers and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

I.

The acts and omissions of Respondent H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. under the provisions of Sections 10176(e) and 10177(g) of the Code, in conjunction with Sections 10085, 10085.5, 10145, 10146, 10148, 10166.02, 10232.4, 10233(c), 10238(a), 10238(f), 10240(a), and 10241 of the Code and Sections 2831, 2831.1, 2831.2, 2832, 2832.1, 2834, 2835, 2970, and 2972 of Title 10 of the California Code of Regulations ("the Regulations").

II.

The acts and omissions of Respondent JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of Respondent JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG under the provisions of Sections 10177(g) and 10177(h) and of the Code, in conjunction with Section 10159.2 of the Code and Section 2725 of the Regulations.

ORDER

I.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent H.M.W. AND J.K.

ENTERPRISES, INC. ("Respondent") under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of Sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Order; provided, however, that:

- 1. Thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:
- a. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and,
- b. That no final subsequent determination be made, after hearing or upon stipulation, that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of this Order. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in

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1	his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and re-impose all or a portion of the stayed				
2	suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become				
3	permanent.				
4	2. Thirty (30) days of said suspension shall be stayed, upon the condition that				
5	Respondent petitions pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code and pays a monetary penalty				
6	pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Code at a rate of \$50.00 for each day of the suspension for a				
7	total monetary penalty of \$1,500.00.				
8	a. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified				
9	check made payable to the Department of Real Estate. Said check must be delivered to the				
10	Department prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter.				
11	b. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate				
12	license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the decision in this				
13	matter.				
14	c. If Respondent fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with				
15	the terms and conditions of the Decision, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the				
16	immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension, in which event, Respondent				
17	shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the				
18	Department under the terms of this decision.				
19	d. If Respondent pays the monetary penalty, and if no further cause				
20	for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years				
21	from the effective date of the Decision herein, then the stay hereby granted shall become				
22	permanent.				
23	II.				
24	1. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent JOSEPH KIN-CHUN				
25	KONG ("Respondent") under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of Sixty (60) days				
26	from the effective date of this Order; provided, however, that:				
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1 iv. If Respondent pays the monetary penalty, and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) 3 years from the effective date of the Decision herein, then the stay hereby granted shall become 4 permanent. 5 2. Respondent shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this 6 Order, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department, including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent fails to 7 8 satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order the suspension of all licenses and licensing 9 rights of Respondent until he passes the examination. 10 3. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, all licenses and 11 licensing rights of Respondent are suspended unless and until he provides proof satisfactory to 12 the Commissioner that he has taken and successfully completed the continuing education 13 course on Trust Fund Accounting and Handling specified in Section 10170.5(a)(3) of the Code. 14 The course must have been completed no earlier than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to 15 the effective date of this Order, and proof must be submitted prior to the effective date of this 16 Order, to prevent suspension of Respondent's license pursuant to this condition. 17 4. Notwithstanding any other provision of this Order, all licenses and licensing rights of Respondent are suspended unless and until he provides proof satisfactory to 18 19 the Commissioner that he has taken and successfully completed the continuing education course 20 on Risk Management specified in Section 10170.5(a)(5) of the Code. The course must have been 21 completed no earlier than one hundred twenty (120) days prior to the effective date of this Order, 22 and proof must be submitted prior to the effective date of this Order, to prevent suspension of 23 Respondent's license pursuant to this condition. 24 /// 25 /// 26 27

1. Respondents H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. and JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG, ("Respondents") jointly and severally, shall pay the sum of \$8,723.41 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. The Commissioner may indefinitely suspend all licenses and licensing rights of Respondents pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., of the Government Code, if payment is not timely made as provided for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent agreement between Respondents and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect until payment is made in full or until Respondents enter into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

Respondents, jointly and severally, shall pay the Commissioner's costs, not to exceed \$8,723.41, of any audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code to determine if Respondents have corrected the violations described in the Determination of Issues, above, and any other violations found in the audit which led to this disciplinary action. 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 detailing the activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spent performing those activities. If Respondents fail to pay such cost within the sixty (60) days, the Commissioner may indefinitely suspend all licenses and licensing rights of Respondents under the Real Estate Law until payment is made in full or until Respondents enter into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment. Upon full payment, the indefinite suspension provided for in this paragraph shall be stayed.

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IV.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents H.M.W. AND J.K.

ENTERPRISES, INC. and JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG ("Respondents") are indefinitely suspended unless or until Respondents, jointly and severally, pay the sum of \$2,996.50 for the Commissioner's reasonable cost of the investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action, and proof must be submitted prior to the effective date of this Order to prevent suspension of Respondents' licenses pursuant to this condition. Said payment shall be in

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the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Department of Real Estate.

Respondents H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. and JOSEPH KIN-CHUN

KONG ("Respondents") shall remit via cash or check the amount of \$750.00 to Shao L. ("the Client") as identified in paragraph 12(k) of the Accusation. Respondents' due diligence in completing this remittance shall include at least one notice mailing and, if no claim is made by the Client upon the first notice, a follow-up notice mailing via certified mail to the last known address of the Client. Each such notice mailing shall include a means for the Client to claim, without cost to the Client, the cash or check repayment of the advance fee of \$750.00.

Remittance funds that are not claimed by the Client as of December 31, 2013, shall be subject to the Unclaimed Property Law (Code of Civil Procedure Sections 1500 et seq.). Respondents shall provide proof satisfactory to the Commissioner, of having made said payment by January 31, 2014. If Respondents fail to provide such proof by January 31, 2014, the Commissioner may indefinitely suspend all licenses and license rights of Respondents until such proof is provided.

7-3-13 DATED

Annette E. Ferrante, Esq.,

Counsel for Department of Real Estate

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I have read the Stipulation and Agreement 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.

Respondents can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by faxing a copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the Department at fax number (916) 227-9458. Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of Respondents' actual signatures as they appear on the Stipulation and Agreement, that receipt of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondents as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation and Agreement.

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5/7/2013.

JOSEPH KAN-CHUN KONG,

Respondent

JOSEPH RIN-CHUN KONG,

As Designated Officer of Respondent H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC.

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I have reviewed this Stipulation and Agreement and Order as to form and content and have advised my clients accordingly,

5/7/2013 DATED

Leslie Baxter, Baq., Attorney for Respondents H.M.W. AND J.K. ENTERPRISES, INC. and

JOSEPH KIN-CHUN KONG

IT IS SO ORDERED JJ, ZA, ZAB.

REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

By: JEFFREY MASON
Chief Deputy Commissioner

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