DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 1 P.O. Box 137007 2 Sacramento, CA 95813-7007 3 MAY 2 3 2023 Telephone: (916) 576-7843 4 5 6 7 8 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 11 In the Matter of the Accusation of: Case No. H-12574 SF 12 STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT C F McBRIDE REALTY, INC. 13 IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE, and MARLENE U. McBRIDE, 14 Respondents. 15 16 It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent C F McBRIDE REALTY, 17 INC. ("McBRIDE INC."), CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE, and MARLENE U. McBRIDE 18 (collectively referred to as "Respondents"), acting by and through Lucy S. McAllister, counsel 19 for Respondents, and the Complainant, acting by and through Jason D. Lazark, Counsel for the 20 Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the 21 Accusation filed on December 23, 2021, in this matter: 22 1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be 23 presented by Complainant and Respondents at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which 24 hearing was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act 25 ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of 26 this Stipulation and Agreement In Settlement and Order ("Stipulation and Agreement").

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- Respondents have received, read. and understand the Statement to
 Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. Respondents filed Notices 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 Notices of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notices of Defense they will thereby waive their rights 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. Respondents, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, hereby admit that the factual allegations or findings of fact as set forth in the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct and the Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence of such allegations.
- 5. This Stipulation and Agreement is made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this proceeding and is expressly limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in which the Department, the state or federal government, any agency of this state, or an agency of another state is involved.
- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation and Agreement as his Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalties 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 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 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 Real Estate 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 of Real Estate 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 be responsible for jointly and severally paying, 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 \$6,728.00
- 9. Respondents further understand that by agreeing to this Stipulation and Agreement, Respondents agree to be responsible for jointly and severally paying, 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 \$3,545.30.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions, and waivers, and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without further proceedings, it is stipulated and agreed that the following Determination of Issues shall be made:

The acts and/or omissions of McBRIDE INC. as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of McBRIDE INC. under the provisions of Sections 10145, 10159.5, 10177(d), and 10177(g) of the Code, and Sections 2731, 2831, 2831.1, 2831.2, 2832, 2832.1, and 2834 of Title 10 of the California Code of the Regulations ("the Regulations");

The acts and/or omissions of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE under the provisions of Sections 10145, 10159.2, 10159.5, 10177(d),

10177(g), and 10177(h) of the Code, and Sections 2725, 2731, 2831, 2831.1, 2831.2, 2832, 2832.1, and 2834 of the Regulations;

The acts and/or omissions of MARLENE U. McBRIDE as described in the Accusation are grounds for the suspension or revocation of the licenses and license rights of MARLENE U. McBRIDE under the provisions of Sections 10130, 10137, 10145, 10176(e), 10177(d), and 10177(g) of the Code, and Sections 2831.1, 2831.2, 2832, and 2835 of the Regulations.

ORDER

I.

AS TO McBRIDE INC.

- 1. The corporate real estate broker license and license rights of McBRIDE INC. under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted corporate real estate broker license shall be issued to McBRIDE INC. pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code if McBRIDE INC. makes application therefore and pays to the Department the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Decision.
- 2. The restricted license issued to McBRIDE INC. shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Code as to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of that Code: The restricted license issued to McBRIDE INC. shall be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that McBRIDE INC. has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- 3. McBRIDE INC. shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.
- 4. McBRIDE INC. shall not engage in or perform any property management activities during the period McBRIDE INC. holds a restricted license.

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AS TO CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE

All licenses and licensing rights of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate broker license shall be issued to CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code if CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE makes application therefore and pays to the Department the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Decision.

- 1. The restricted license issued to CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Code as to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of that Code:
 - (a) The restricted license issued to CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner in the event of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE's conviction (including by plea of guilty or nolo contendere) to a crime which is substantially related to CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; and,
 - (b) The restricted license issued to CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- 2. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.
 CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall not be eligible to apply for any unrestricted license until all restrictions attached to the license have been removed.

- 3. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall notify the Commissioner in writing within 72 hours of any arrest by sending a certified letter to the Commissioner at the Department of Real Estate, Legal Section at Post Office Box 137007, Sacramento, CA 95813-7007. The letter shall set forth the date of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE's arrest, the crime for which CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE was arrested and the name and address of the arresting law enforcement agency. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE's failure to timely file written notice shall constitute an independent violation of the terms of the restricted license and shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of that license.
- 4. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. If CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner shall order the suspension of the restricted license until the CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE presents such evidence. The Commissioner shall CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE the opportunity for hearing pursuant to the APA to present such evidence. Proof of completion of the continuing education courses must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013.
- 5. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall, within nine (9) months from the issuance of the Order, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department, including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. All licenses and licensing rights of CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall be indefinitely suspended unless or until CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE passes the examination.
- 6. CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE shall not engage in or perform any property management activities, under her individual broker license, as the designated officer of a real estate corporation, and/or as a broker associate under another brokerage, during the period CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE holds a restricted license.

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III.

AS TO MARLENE U. McBRIDE

All licenses and licensing rights of MARLENE U. McBRIDE under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate salesperson license shall be issued to MARLENE U. McBRIDE pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Code if MARLENE U. McBRIDE makes application therefore and pays to the Department the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Decision.

- 1. The restricted license issued to MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Code as to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of that Code:
 - (a) The restricted license issued to MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner in the event of MARLENE U. McBRIDE's conviction (including by plea of guilty or nolo contendere) to a crime which is substantially related to MARLENE U. McBRIDE 's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; and,
 - (b) The restricted license issued to MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that MARLENE U. McBRIDE has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or conditions attaching to the restricted license.
- 2. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.
 MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall not be eligible for any unrestricted licenses until all restrictions attaching to the license have been removed.

- 3. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall submit with any application for license under an employing broker, or any application for transfer to a new employing broker, a statement signed by the prospective employing real estate broker on a form approved by the Department which shall certify:
 - (a) That the employing broker has read the Decision and Order of the Commissioner which granted the right to a restricted license; and
 - (b) That the employing broker will exercise close supervision over the performance by the restricted licensee relating to activities for which a real estate license is required.
- 4. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall notify the Commissioner in writing within 72 hours of any arrest by sending a certified letter to the Commissioner at the Department of Real Estate, Legal Section at Post Office Box 137007, Sacramento, CA 95813-7007. The letter shall set forth the date of MARLENE U. McBRIDE's arrest, the crime for which MARLENE U. McBRIDE was arrested and the name and address of the arresting law enforcement agency. MARLENE U. McBRIDE's failure to timely file written notice shall constitute an independent violation of the terms of the restricted license and shall be grounds for the suspension or revocation of that license.
- 5. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that MARLENE U. McBRIDE has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. If MARLENE U. McBRIDE fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner shall order the suspension of the restricted license until the MARLENE U. McBRIDE presents such evidence. The Commissioner shall afford MARLENE U. McBRIDE the opportunity for hearing pursuant to the APA to present such evidence. Proof of completion of the continuing education courses must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013.

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MARLENE U. McBRIDE passes the examination.

the Order, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department, including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. All licenses and licensing rights of MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall be indefinitely suspended unless or until

6. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall, within nine (9) months from the issuance of

7. MARLENE U. McBRIDE shall not engage in or perform any property management activities during the period MARLENE U. McBRIDE holds a restricted license.

IV.

AS TO ALL RESPONDENTS JOINTLY AND SEVERALLY

- 1. Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code, Respondents, jointly and severally, shall pay the sum of \$6,728.00 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 shall 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.
- 2. All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents, are indefinitely suspended unless or until Respondents, jointly and severally, pay the sum of \$3,545.30 for the Commissioner's reasonable cost of the investigation and enforcement which led to this disciplinary action. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Real Estate Fund. 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, prior to the effective date of this Order.

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2 Department of Real 3 4 5 I have read the Stipulation and Agreement in Settlement and Order and its terms 6 are understood by me and are agreeable and acceptable to me. I understand that I am waiving 7 rights given to me by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to 8 Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and I willingly, 9 intelligently, and voluntarily waive those rights, including the right of requiring the 10 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 12 of the charges. 13 I further agree to send the original signed Stipulation and Agreement by mail to the following address no later than one (1) week from the date the Stipulation and Agreement 14 15 is signed by me and my attorney: Department of Real Estate, Legal Section, P.O. Box 137007, Sacramento, California 95813-7007. I understand and agrees that if they fail to return the 16 original signed Stipulation and Agreement by the due date, Complainant retains the right to set 18 this matter for hearing. RE MUBRIDE-BERTOLONE 2/6/2023 19 DATED MARIE ANNETTE 20 McBRIDE-BERTOLONE, Designated Officer for Respondent, C F McBRIDE REALTY, INC. 22 2/6/2023 Christina Florence McBride 23 CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE, DATED 24 Respondent 25 Madene McBride 2/6/2023 74CE7B8A6C14F2 26 MARLENE U. McBRIDE, DATED Respondent

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2	I have reviewed the Stipulation and Agreement as to form and content and
3	have advised my client accordingly.
4	—DocuSigned by:
5	WCY MCallister
6	DATED Lucy S. McAllister, Attorney for Respondents,
7	C F McBRIDE REALTY, INC.
8	CHRISTINA F. McBRIDE, and MARLENE U. McBRIDE
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11	The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision in JUN 1 3 2023
12	this matter and shall become effective at 12 o clock hoof off
13	IT IS SO ORDERED <u>5. 4.23</u> , 2023.
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