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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of HELEN MARIE COMTE,

Respondent.

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No. H-26549 LA

## ORDER GRANTING REINSTATEMENT OF LICENSE

On April 17, 1997, an Order was rendered herein, revoking the real estate broker license of Respondent, but granting Respondent the right to the issuance of a restricted real estate broker license. A restricted real estate broker license was issued to Respondent on May 14, 1997, and Respondent has operated as a restricted licensee without cause for disciplinary action against Respondent since that time.

On June 14, 1999, Respondent petitioned for reinstatement of said real estate broker license, and the Attorney General of the State of California has been given notice of the filing of said petition.

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I have considered the petition of Respondent and the evidence and arguments in support thereof including Respondent's record as a restricted licensee. Respondent has demonstrated to my satisfaction that Respondent meets the requirements of law for the issuance to Respondent of an unrestricted real estate broker license and that it would not be against the public interest to issue said license to Respondent.

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's petition for reinstatement is granted and that a real estate broker license be issued to Respondent if Respondent satisfies the following conditions within nine months from the date of this Order:

- Submittal of a completed application and payment of the fee for a real estate broker license.
- Submittal of evidence of having, 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.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

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Real Estate Commissioner

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#### DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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In the Matter of the Accusation of

H-26549 LA No.

STIPULATION AND .

AGREEMENT

IN SETTLEMENT AND ORDER

MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., 12

a California corporate broker, dba; Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE ) HALLE, individually, dba American State ) Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall of California & Associates, Pioneer Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage & Loan and as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. and HELEN

MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc., also dba American Capital Network, American

Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano Property Management,

Respondents.

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It is hereby stipulated by and between and HELEN MARIE COMTE (sometimes referred to as Respondent), acting by and through Burt Cook, Esq., Respondent's Counsel, and the Complainant, acting by and through Sean Crahan, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on April 30, 1996, 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 In Settlement And Order (hereafter Stipulation).

- 2. 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.
- Defense pursuant to Section 11505 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges that she understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, she will thereby waive her right to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that she will waive other rights afforded to her 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 in Paragraphs one
  (1) through nine (9) in the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct and the Real Estate Commissioner shall not be



required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.

- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Order in this Stipulation as his decision and order in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and/or license rights as set forth in the below Order. In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, the Stipulation And Agreement In Settlement 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.
- 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation 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.
- 7. Respondent MHNI may be required, pursuant to Code Section 10148, if the findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues become final as to it, the Commissioner may charge Respondent MHNI for the costs of an audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code to determine if Respondent MHNI is in compliance with the Real Estate Law. The maximum costs of said audit will not exceed \$2,200.

# DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations and waivers, made solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation



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without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following

Determination of Issues shall be made:

The conduct or omissions of Respondent HELEN MARIE COMTE, as set forth in paragraph one (1) through nine (9) of the Accusation constitute cause to suspend or revoke his real estate broker license and/or license rights under the provisions of 10137, 10177(f) and 10177(d) for violations of Code Sections 10145, 10159.5 and Regulations 2731 and 2832.1.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

All licenses and license rights of Respondent HELEN MARIE

COMTE under Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions

Code are revoked; provided, however, restricted real estate broker

licenses shall be issued to Respondent HELEN MARIE COMTE pursuant

to Section 10156.5 of the Code if Respondent COMTE makes

application therefor and pays to the Department of Real Estate the

appropriate fee for said licenses within ninety (90) days from the

effective date of the Decision. The restricted licenses issued to

Respondent COMTE shall be subject to all of the provisions of

Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to the

following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under

authority of Section 10156.6 of said Code:

(1) The restricted licenses may be suspended prior to hearing by order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent COMTE's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which bears a significant relation to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.



- (3) Respondent COMTE shall not, during the time she holds a restricted license, become an officer or designated officer of a corporate broker, nor become the broker for a business of any form, unless she owns 51 or more percent of such corporation or business.
- (4) Respondent COMTE shall report in writing to the Department of Real Estate as the Real Estate Commissioner shall direct by his Order herein or by separate written order issued while Respondent holds a restricted license, such information concerning Respondent's activities for which a real estate license is required as the Commissioner shall deem to be appropriate to protect the public interest.
- (5) Respondent COMTE shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted license to Respondent COMTE.
- (6) Respondent COMTE shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent 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 Respondent COMTE fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order the suspension of the restricted license until the Respondent presents such evidence. The Commissioner shall afford Respondent the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to present such evidence.

- the effective date of this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department including payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent COMTE's license until she passes the examination.
- (8) Respondent COMTE shall be jointly and severally liable for payment of a chargeable follow-up audit of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. if one is completed within two years from the date of this order.

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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

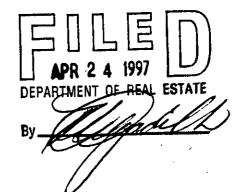


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5	HELEN MARIE COMTE, Respondent.
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7	DATED: BURT COOK, ESQ. of The Law Offices
8	of Burt Cook, Counsel for Respondent Helen Marie Comte,
9	approved as to form.
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11	SEAN CRAHAN, Counsel for Complainant.
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17	The foregoing Stipulation And Agreement In Settlement is
18	hereby adopted as my Decision and Order as to respondent HELEN
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20	o'clock noon on <u>MAY 1 &amp; 1997</u> , 1997.
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MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker, dba; Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE ) HALLE, individually, dba American State ) Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall ) of California & Associates, Pioneer Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage & Loan and as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. and HELEN MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc., also dba American Capital Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano Property Management,

Respondents.

It is hereby stipulated by and between RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE (sometimes referred to as Respondent), acting by and through Edgar C. Johnson, Jr. Esq. of Johnson and Flyer, Respondent's Counsel, and the Complainant, acting by and through Sean Crahan, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on April 30, 1996, 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 In Settlement And Order (hereafter Stipulation).
- 2. Respondent has received, read and understands the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation, filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. On May 10, 1996, Respondent 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. Respondent hereby freely and voluntarily withdraws said Notice of Defense. Respondent acknowledges that he understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense, he will thereby waive his right to require the Commissioner to prove the allegations in the Accusation at a contested hearing held in accordance with the provisions of the APA and that he will waive other rights afforded to him 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. Respondent, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, hereby admits that the factual allegations in Paragraphs one (1) through nine (9) and in the paragraph, Prior Disciplinary



Action, in the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct and the Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove such allegations.

- 5. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Order in this Stipulation as his decision and order in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate licenses and/or license rights as set forth in the below Order. In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, the Stipulation And Agreement In Settlement shall be void and of no effect, and Respondent 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.
- 6. The Order or any subsequent Order of the Real Estate Commissioner made pursuant to this Stipulation 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.
- 7. Respondent HALLE is aware that by agreeing to this Stipulation And Agreement In Settlement, if the findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues become final, the Commissioner may charge Respondent MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., (MHNI) for the costs of an audit conducted pursuant to Section 10148 of the Code to determine if Respondent MHNI is in compliance with the Real Estate Law. The maximum costs of said audit will not exceed \$2,200 and that Respondents MHNI and HALLE may be held jointly and



severally liable for the charges

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

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

The conduct or omissions of Respondent RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE, as set forth in paragraphs one (1) through nine (9) of the Accusation constitute cause to suspend or revoke his restricted real estate broker license and/or license rights under the provisions of Code Sections 10177(f) and 10177(d) for violations of Code Sections 10145, 10159.2 and 10159.5 and Regulations 2731 and 2832.1.

ORDER

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

LAURENCE HALLE, under Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and

Professions Code, are revoked; provided, however, restricted real
estate broker licenses shall be issued to Respondent HALLE pursuant
to Section 10156.5 of the Code if Respondent HALLE makes
application therefor and pays to the Department of Real Estate the
appropriate fee for said licenses within ninety (90) days from the
effective date of the Decision. The restricted licenses issued to
Respondent HALLE shall be subject to all of the provisions of
Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to the
following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under
authority of Section 10156.6 of said Code:

A. Any license issued to Respondent RAYMOND LAURENCE
HALLE shall be suspended for ninety 90 days. However, if
respondent petitions, the first thirty (30) days of said suspension
shall be stayed if Respondent HALLE pays a monetary penalty
pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code of
\$3,000. The restricted licenses issued to Respondent HALLE shall
then be suspended for sixty (60) days from issuance thereof.

- (1) Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be delivered to the Department prior to the effective date of the Order in this matter;
- in accordance with the terms of this paragraph or this Order, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the immediate execution of all or any part of the thirty (30) days stayed suspension, in which event the Respondent shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the Department under the terms of this Order.
- B. The restricted licenses issued to Respondent RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE shall be subject to all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to the following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of Section 10156.6 of said Code:
- (1) The restricted licenses may be suspended prior to hearing by order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent HALLE 's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a

crime which bears a significant relation to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.

- (2) The restricted licenses may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent HALLE has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or the conditions attaching to these restricted licenses.
- (3) Respondent HALLE shall not, during the time he holds a restricted license, become an officer or designated officer of a corporate broker, nor become the broker for a business of any form, unless he owns 51 or more percent of such corporation or business.
- (4) Respondent HALLE shall report in writing to the Department of Real Estate as the Real Estate Commissioner shall direct by his Order herein or by separate written order issued while Respondent holds a restricted license, such information concerning Respondent's activities for which a real estate license is required as the Commissioner shall deem to be appropriate to protect the public interest.
- (5) Respondent HALLE shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until three (3) years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted license to Respondent HALLE.
- (6) Pursuant to Code Section 10148, Respondents
  MHNI and HALLE, jointly or severally, shall pay the Commissioner's



reasonable cost for an audit to determine if Respondent MHNI is in compliance with the Real Estate Law. 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. The cost of said chargeable audit shall not exceed \$2,200. Respondent MHNI and/or HALLE shall pay such cost within 45 days of receiving an invoice from the Commissioner detailing the activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spend performing those activities. The Commissioner may suspend the restricted licenses issued to Respondent MHNI and/or HALLE 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 the Respondent and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect until payment is made in full or until Respondent enters 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 The suspension will remain in effect until payment is made in full, or until Respondent enters into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing pursuant to this condition.

(7) Respondent HALLE shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent has,



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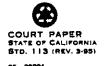
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since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order the suspension of Respondent's restricted licenses until the Respondent presents such evidence. The Commissioner shall afford Respondent the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to present such evidence.

(8) Respondent HALLE shall, within six months from the effective date of this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Department including payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent HALLE 's license until he passes the examination.

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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. We understand that we are waiving rights given to us by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and we 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 we would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against us and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.



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	RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE, Respondent.
3	DATED: 3/11/97 March June
	EDGAR C. JOHNSON, JR. ESQ. of
5	Johnson and Flyer, Counsel for Respondent Raymond Laurence Halle,
6	approved as to form.
7	DATED: 3-14-97
8	SEAN CRAHAN, Counsel for Complainant.
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14	The foregoing Stipulation And Agreement In Settlement is
15	hereby adopted as my Decision and Order as to respondent RAYMOND
16	LAURENCE HALLE in case H-26549 LA and shall become effective at 12
17	o'clock noon on May 14, 1997.
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MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker, dba; Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE ) HALLE, individually, dba American State Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall of California & Associates, Pioneer Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage & Loan and as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. and HELEN MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc., also dba American Capital Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano Property Management,

Respondents.

#### DECISION AFTER DEFAULT

This Decision is being issued in accordance with the provisions of Section 11520 of the Government Code, on evidence of compliance with Section 11505 of the Government Code and pursuant to the Order of Default of MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., filed on March 14, 1997, and the findings of fact set forth herein are based on one or more of the following: (1) respondent's express admissions; (2) affidavits; and (3) other evidence. The remaining respondents are severed from this default proceeding.

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#### FINDINGS OF FACT

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- (a) On April 30, 1996, Thomas Mc Crady made the Accusation in his official capacity as a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California. The Accusation, Statement to Respondent, and Notice of Defense were mailed, by certified mail, to respondent's last known mailing address on file with the Department on April 30, 1996 and again on February 26, 1997.
- (b) On March 14, 1997, no Notice of Defense having been filed herein within the time prescribed by Section 11506 of the Government Code, respondent's default was entered herein.

II

MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC. (hereafter respondent MHNI) 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 (hereafter cited as the Code). All times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was and is licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California (hereafter the Department) as a corporate real estate broker doing business as Mortgage Help Network.

## III

- (a) At times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was engaged in the mortgage loan brokerage business as defined by Code Section 10131(d) in that respondent MHNI, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited and negotiated with borrowers for loans from third-party lenders secured by real property (secured loans).
- (b) At times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was engaged in the property management business as defined by Code Section 10131(b) in that respondent MHNI, for or in expectation of compensation, on behalf of landlords, solicited and negotiated with tenants to rent properties and collected rents from the tenants.

# IV

Tom Dugan (Dugan) was not licensed by the Department as a real estate broker or salesperson after July 12, 1993. Respondent MHNI employed or compensated Dugan to solicit borrowers for or to negotiated the following loans to be funded by third parties:

Borrower:	Date Applied:	Date	
Funded:			
Samuel and Anita Kryngel	2-14-94	6-10-94	
Paul Walker	1-12-94	4-5-94.	

Stephen Mugavero (Mugavero) was not licensed by the Department as a real estate broker or salesperson between September 13, 1994, the date his conditional sales license was suspended, until it was reinstated on December 9, 1994. Respondent MHNI employed or compensated Mugavero to solicit borrowers for or to negotiated the following loan to be funded by third parties:

Borrower:

Date Applied:

Date Funded: 12-8-94

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From time to time between April 26 and May 22, 1995, an auditor from the Department examined the books and records of respondent MHNI covering a period of time from October 1, 1993 through March 31, 1995 (hereafter the "audit period"). That audit revealed that respondents MHNI, HALLE and COMTE, during the audit period, violated the following Code Sections and Regulations from Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations (hereafter Regulations):

- (a) In performing property management activities, respondent MHNI used the fictitious business name of San Juan Capistrano Property Management without having a real estate license to do so, in willful violation of Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731.
- (b) Respondent MHNI maintained a trust account at Union Bank, account number 0450016446 entitled Mortgage Help Network, Inc. Escrow Trust Account. This trust account was used for the receipt and disbursal of rent collections. This trust account was under the control of Respondent COMTE. As of March 31, 1995, Respondent MHNI's adjusted bank balance in the trust account was \$3,669.67. Respondent MHNI's accountability to owners on that date was (\$4,056.32) leaving a shortage of \$386.65. The shortage was caused by over disbursements on two separate properties. The shortage was in willful violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1.
- (c) Karla Hendrix, a salesperson licensed to Respondent COMTE after June 15, 1994, and not to Respondent MHNI, on behalf of respondent MHNI, signed management agreements and rental contracts in violation of Code Section 10137.
- (d) Respondent MHNI, through Respondent COMTE, performed escrows on loans negotiated by American Capital Network for borrowers Kenneth Wayne Baun, escrow number 285 and for Henry Fajardo, escrow number 288. American Capital Network was a fictitious business name licensed to Respondent

COMTE. Respondent MHNI was not licensed by the Department of Corporations to conduct escrows. The conduct of escrows by Respondent MHNI was in violation of Financial Code 17000 and was not exempt by Financial Code Section 17006(a)(4).

# DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

The conduct or omissions of respondent MHNI as set forth above subject its real estate license and license rights to suspension or revocation under the following Code Sections:

- (a) Code Sections 10137 for employing or compensating unlicensed persons, as set forth in paragraphs IV, V and VI(c) above.
- (b) Code Section 10177(d) for willful violation of:
- (i) Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731 for use of an unlicensed fictitious business name, as set forth in paragraph VI(a) above.
- (ii) Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1 for the shortage, as set forth in paragraph VI(b) above.
- (c) Code Section 10177(f) for conduct which would warrant the denial of an application for a real estate license for the conduct of escrows without proper licensure, as set forth in Paragraph VI(d) above.

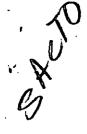
#### ORDER

All real estate licenses and license rights of MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker, are hereby revoked.

	This	Decision	shall	become	effective	at
12 o'clock	noon	on <u>Apri</u> ]	. 30,	, 199	97.	

IT IS SO ORDERED  $\frac{3-\sqrt{31}}{2}$ , 1997

JIM ANTT, JR.
Real Estate Commissioner



# 294-0615-006 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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Respondents.

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

By

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ACCUSATION

No. H-26549 LA L- 9605127

# To the above-named Respondent(s):

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 314 West First Street, Los Angeles, California 90012 on March 12-14, 1997 at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you.

You may be present at the hearing. You have the right to be represented by an attorney at your own expense. You are not entitled to the appointment of an attorney to represent you at public expense. You are entitled to represent yourself without legal counsel. If you are not present in person nor represented by counsel at the hearing, the Department may take disciplinary action against you based upon any express admission or other evidence including affidavits, without any notice to you.

You may present any relevant evidence and will be given full opportunity to cross-examine all witnesses testifying against you. You are entitled to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, documents or other things by applying to the Department of Real Estate.

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The hearing shall be conducted in the English language. If you want to offer the testimony of any witness who does not proficiently speak the English language, you must provide your own interpreter. The interpreter must be approved by the Administrative Law Judge conducting the hearing as someone who is proficient in both English and the language in which the witness will testify. You are required to pay the costs of the interpreter unless the Administrative Law Judge directs otherwise.

Dated: June 20, 1996

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By:

SEAN CRAHAN DRE, Counsel

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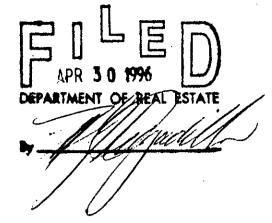
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## DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

Property Management,

H-26549 LA

ACCUSATION

MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker, dba; Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE, individually, dba American State of California & Associates, Pioneer

Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage & Loan and as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. and HELEN MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc., also dba American Capital Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano

Respondents.

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The Complainant, Tom Mc Crady, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of accusation against MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker doing business as Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE,

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individually, as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc.

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and also doing business as American State Mortgage, MCA Mortgage
Division/Maehall of California & Associates, Pioneer Financial
Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage
& Loan and HELEN MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage
Help Network, Inc., also doing business as American Capital
Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management
and San Juan Capistrano Property Management, alleges as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Tom Mc Crady, a deputy real estate commissioner, brings this Accusation in his official capacity.

2.

MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC. (hereafter respondent MHNI) 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 (hereafter cited as the Code).

(a) All times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was and is licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California (hereafter the Department) as a corporate real estate broker doing business as Mortgage Help Network.

3.

RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE (hereafter respondent HALLE) is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law.

(a) At all times herein mentioned, respondent HALLE was licensed by the Department as a restricted real estate broker, individually and as designated officer of respondent MHNI from March 25, 1994 to the present. Respondent HALLE was and is

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licensed by the Department to do business as American State

Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall of California & Associates,

Pioneer Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern

California Mortgage & Loan.

(b) Pursuant to Code Section 10159.2, respondent HALLE

was responsible for the supervision of the officers, agents and

employees of respondent MHNI for which a real estate license was

required, during his time as designated officer.

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HELEN MARIE COMTE (hereafter respondent COMTE) is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law.

- (a) At all times herein mentioned, respondent COMTE was licensed by the Department as a real estate broker, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. from April 20, 1992 to the present, and also doing business as American Capital Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano Property Management.
- (b) At all times herein mentioned, respondent COMTE was the chief financial officer and secretary of Respondent MHNI.

  Respondent COMTE exercised management and control over the operations of Respondent MHNI at its main office.

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(a) At times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was engaged in the mortgage loan brokerage business as defined by Code Section 10131(d) in that respondent MHNI, for or in expectation of compensation, solicited and negotiated with borrowers for loans

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from third-party lenders secured by real property (secured loans).

(b) At times herein mentioned, respondent MHNI was engaged in the property management business as defined by Code Section 10131(b) in that respondent MHNI, for or in expectation of compensation, on behalf of landlords, solicited and negotiated with tenants to rent properties and collected rents from the tenants.

Tom Dugan (Dugan) was not licensed by the Department as a real estate broker or salesperson after July 12, 1993. Respondent MHNI employed or compensated Dugan to solicit borrowers for or to negotiated the following loans to be funded by third parties:

Borrower:	Date Applied:	Date Funded:
Samuel and Anita Kryngel	2-14-94	6-10-94
Paul Walker	1-12-94	4-5-94.

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Stephen Mugavero (Mugavero) was not licensed by the Department as a real estate broker or salesperson between September 13, 1994, the date his conditional sales license was suspended, until it was reinstated on December 9, 1994. Respondent MHNI employed or compensated Mugavero to solicit borrowers for or to negotiated the following loan to be funded by third parties:

Borrower: Date Applied: Date Funded: Kierstin Church 11-18-94 12-8-94

8.

From time to time between April 26 and May 22, 1995, an auditor from the Department examined the books and records of respondent MHNI covering a period of time from October 1, 1993

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through March 31, 1995 (hereafter the "audit period"). That audit revealed that respondents MHNI, HALLE and COMTE, during the audit period, violated the following Code Sections and Regulations from Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations (hereafter Regulations):

- (a) In performing this property management business, respondent MHNI used the fictitious business name of San Juan Capistrano Property Management without having a real estate license to do so, in willful violation of Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731
- (b) Respondent MHNI maintained a trust account at Union Bank, account number 0450016446 entitled Mortgage Help Network, Inc. Escrow Trust Account. This trust account was used for the receipt and disbursal of rent collections. This trust account was under the control of Respondent COMTE. As of March 31, 1995, Respondent MHNI's adjusted bank balance in the trust account was \$3,669.67. Respondent MHNI's accountability to owners on that date was (\$4,056.32) leaving a shortage of \$386.65. The shortage was caused by over disbursements on two separate properties. The shortage was in willful violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1.
- (c) Karla Hendrix, a salesperson licensed to Respondent COMTE after June 15, 1994, and not to Respondent MHNI, on behalf of respondent MHNI, signed management agreements and rental contracts in violation of Code Section 10137.
- (d). Respondent MHNI, through Respondent COMTE, performed escrows on loans negotiated by American Capital Network for

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1 borrowers Kenneth Wayne Baun, escrow number 285 and for Henry 2 Faiardo, escrow number 288. American Capital Network was a fictitious business name licensed to Respondent COMTE. Respondent MHNI was not licensed by the Department of Corporations to conduct The conduct of escrows by Respondent MHNI was in 5 escrows. 6 violation of Financial Code 17000 and was not exempt by Financial Code 17006(a)(4). 8 9 Respondents HALLE and COMTE knew or should have known 10 that the above violations occurred or were occurring. Respondent 11 HALLE failed to exercise reasonable supervision over the activities 12 of officers and employees of respondent MHNI for which a real 13 estate license was required so as to prevent the violations. 14 10. 15 The conduct or omissions of respondent MHNI as set forth 16 17

above subject its real estate license and license rights to suspension or revocation under the following Code Sections:

- (a) Code Sections 10137 for employing or compensating unlicensed persons, as set forth in paragraphs 6, 7 and 8(c) above.
  - (b) Code Section 10177(d) for willful violation of:
- (i) Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731 for use of an unlicensed fictitious business name, as set forth in paragraph 8(a) above.
- (ii) Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1 for the shortage, as alleged in paragraph 8(b) above.
- (c) Code Section 10177(f) for conduct which would warrant the denial of an application for a real estate license for

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1 the conduct of escrows without proper licensure, as set forth in 2 Paragraph 8(d) above. 11. 3 The conduct or omissions of respondent HALLE as set forth above subject his real estate licenses and license rights to 5 6 suspension or revocation under the following Code Sections: 7 (a) Code Sections 10137 for employing or compensating 8 unlicensed persons, as set forth in paragraphs 6, 7 and 8(c) above. 9 Code Section 10177(d) for willful violation of: 10 (i) Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731 for 11 use of an unlicensed fictitious business name, as set forth in 12 paragraph 8(a) above. 13 (ii) Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1 for 14 the shortage, as alleged in paragraph 8(b) above. 15 (c) Code Section 10177(d) for willful violation of Code 16 Sections 10159.2 for failure to supervise the employees of 17 respondent MHNI as set forth in paragraph 9 above. 12. 18 . 19 The conduct or omissions of respondent COMTE, as set 20 forth above, subject her real estate license and license rights to 21 suspension or revocation under the following Code Sections: 22 (a) Code Sections 10137 for employing or compensating 23 unlicensed persons, as set forth in paragraphs 6, and 8(c) above. 24 Code Section 10177(d) for willful violation of: (b) 25 (i) Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731 for use of an unlicensed fictitious business name, as set forth in 26

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paragraph 8(a) above.

- (ii) Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1 for the shortage, as alleged in paragraph 8(b) above.
- (c) 10177(f) for the conduct of escrows without licensure of the Department of Corporations, as set forth in paragraph 8(d).

# PRIOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION

Effective on or about February 24, 1993 Respondent
HALLE's broker license was revoked with a right to a restricted
real estate broker license on terms and conditioned in case Number
H-1259 SA.

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and, that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary action against all licenses and license rights of Respondents MORTGAGE HELP NETWORK, INC., a California corporate broker doing business as Mortgage Help Network; RAYMOND LAURENCE HALLE, individually, as designated officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc. and also doing business as American State Mortgage, MCA Mortgage Division/Maehall of California & Associates, Pioneer Financial Services, Pioneer West Real Estate and Southern California Mortgage & Loan and HELEN MARIE COMTE, individually, as officer of Mortgage Help Network, Inc., also doing business as American Capital Network, American Dream Home Realty, H and K Property Management and San Juan Capistrano Property Management, under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division

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4 of the Business and Professions Code) and for such other and her relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California this 30th day of April, 1996.

Tom Mc Crady,

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Mortgage Help Network, Inc.
Raymond Laurence Halle

Helen Marie Comte

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