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In the 2003, Order which denied reinstatement of 22 Respondent's real estate license, it was determined that there 23 was cause to deny Respondent's petition application pursuant 24 to Sections 2911(a), 2911(1) and 2911(m), Title 10, Chapter 6, 25 26 California Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

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3	The burden of proving rehabilitation rests with the
4	petitioner (<u>Feinstein v. State Bar</u> (1952) 39 Cal. 2d 541).
5	A petitioner is required to show greater proof of honesty and
6	integrity than an applicant for first time licensure. The
7	proof must be sufficient to overcome the prior adverse judgment
8	on the applicant's character (<u>Tardiff v. State Bar</u> (1980) 27
9	Cal. 3d 395).
10	The Department has developed criteria in Regulation
11	2911 to assist in evaluating the rehabilitation of an applicant
12	for reinstatement of a license. Among the criteria relevant in
13	this proceeding are:
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15	2911(j) - Respondent has not provided proof that
16	Respondent has paid, or made bona fide efforts toward paying
17 18	a State tax lien in the amount of \$5,863, filed against a
19	company Respondent owned and operated.
20	2911(k) - Respondent has not shown that Respondent
21	has corrected business practices resulting in injury to others,
22	or with the potential to cause such injury.
23	Given the fact that Respondent has not established
24	that Respondent has complied with Regulations 2911(j) and
25	2911(k), I am not satisfied that Respondent is sufficiently
26	rehabilitated to receive a real estate salesperson license.
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NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's petition for reinstatement of Respondent's real estate salesperson license is denied. This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon DEC 1 7 2007 on 11-13-07 DATED: _ JEFF DAVI Real Estage Commissioner

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committed by the applicant."

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It appears that Respondent has met the following applicable Criteria of Rehabilitation, Regulation 2911: (b) restitution; (c) expungement of conviction is not applicable; (d) registration pursuant to Penal Code Section 25 290 is not applicable; (e) discharge from probation is not applicable; (f) abstinence from use of alcohol is not

deny the issuance or reinstatement on account of a crime or act

applicable; (g) payment of fine or monetary penalty is not applicable; (h) stability of family life appears to be met; (i) Respondent has completed educational or vocational training courses; (j) discharge of debts appears to be met; (k) correction of business practices appears to be met; (n) change in attitude appears to be met. III Respondent has not provided proof of involvement in community, church or social programs. This evidences a lack of rehabilitation and is cause to deny Respondent's petition pursuant to Section 2911(1), Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations"). IV Respondent does not have new and different social and business relationships from those which existed at the time of the conduct that was the basis for revocation of her license. She is now married to Klimenko. This evidences a lack of rehabilitation and is cause to deny Respondent's petition pursuant to Regulation 2911(m). ///

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2	Due to the serious nature of the conduct which led
3	to the revocation of Respondent's real estate salesperson, the
4	multiple fraudulent and dishonest acts conducted, and the facts
5	set forth in Paragraphs III and IV, a longer period of time is
6	required to measure Respondent's rehabilitation. This is cause
8	to deny Respondent's petition pursuant to Regulation 2911(a).
9	NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that Respondent's
10	petition for reinstatement of Respondent's real estate
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12	salesperson license is <u>denied</u> .
13	I am satisfied, however, that it will not be against
14	the public interest to issue a restricted real estate
15	salesperson license to Respondent.
16	A restricted real estate salesperson license shall
17	be issued to Respondent pursuant to Code Section 10156.5
18	if Respondent within nine (9) months from the date hereof:
19	(a) makes application therefor and pays the
20	appropriate fee for said license.
21	(b) Takes and passes the Professional Responsibility
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Respondent shall submit with any application for 1 4. 2 license under an employing broker, or with any application for 3 transfer to a new employing broker, a statement signed by the 4 prospective employing real estate broker on a form approved by 5 the Department which shall certify: 6 That the employing broker has read the Decision (a) 7 of the Commissioner which granted the right to a restricted 8 9 license; and 10 (b) That the employing broker will exercise close 11 supervision over the performance by the restricted licensee 12 relating to activities for which a real estate license is 13 14 required. 15 16 This Order shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon 17 June 9, 2003 on They 18 16,2003 DATED: 19 PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 Maruska E. Klimenko cc: 27 9933 Pangborn Avenue Downey, CA 90240 8

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15	ORDER MODIFYING DISCIPLINARY ACTION PURSUANT TO STIPULATED SETTLEMENT
16	In consideration for the dismissal with prejudice and
17	in complete settlement of Respondent's Petition for Writ of
18 19	Administrative Mandamus, with each party to bear her or its own
20	costs, the following order is made:
21	NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that a restricted real
22	estate salesperson license shall be issued to Respondent MARUSKA
23	ESMERALDA BELTRAN pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business and
24	Professions Code provided Respondent makes application therefor
25	and pays to the Department of Real Estate the appropriate fee for
26	the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of
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	8	licensee relating to activities for which a real estate
	9	license is required.
	10	5. Respondent shall, within nine months from the
	11	effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to
	12	the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent has, since the most
	13	recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license,
	14	taken and successfully completed the continuing education
	15 16	requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law
	17	for renewal of a real estate license. If Respondent fails to
	18	satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order the suspension
	19	of the restricted license until Respondent presents such
	20	evidence.
	21	This Order shall take effect immediately upon signing.
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12) NO. H- 28151 LA) L- 1999060139
13	MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN,))
14	Respondent.)
15	DECISION AFTER REJECTION
16	The matter came on regularly for hearing before
17	Richard Lopez, Administrative Law Judge of the Office of
18	Administrative Hearings in Los Angeles, California, on
19	January 13, 2000 and again on March 23, 2000.
20	Respondent was present and represented by Robert A.
21	Brown, Esq., Martha J. Rosett, Counsel, represented the
22	Complainant. Evidence was received, briefs were submitted and -
23	the matter stood submitted on June 6, 2000.
. 24	On June 30, 2000, the Administrative Law Judge
25	submitted a Proposed Decision which I declined to adopt as the
26	Decision of the Real Estate Commissioner. Pursuant to Section
27	11517(c) of the Government Code of the State of California,
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Respondent was served with a copy of the Proposed Decision dated 1 June 30, 2000, and with notice of my determination not to adopt 2 3 the Proposed Decision. Respondent was notified that the case would be decided by me upon the record, including the 4 transcripts of proceedings held on January 13, 2000 and March 5 23, 2000, and upon any written argument offered by the parties. 6 Argument has been submitted by the Respondent and by 7 Complainant. I have given careful consideration to these 8 arguments and to the record in this case, including the 9 transcripts of proceedings of January 13, 2000 and March 23, 10 2000. 11 FINDINGS OF FACT 12 I have determined that the Findings of Fact in the 13 Proposed Decision of the Administrative Law Judge, dated 14 June 30, 2000, are appropriate. These findings are hereby 15 adopted in their entirety. 16 17 DETERMINATION OF ISSUES The Administrative Law Judge's Legal Conclusions are 18 also appropriate and therefore are hereby adopted in their 19 entirety. 20 21 ORDER WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made: 22 The Proposed Decision dated June 30, 2000 of the 23 Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative 24 Hearings is hereby adopted as the Decision of the Real Estate 25 Commissioner in the above-entitled matter. 26 27

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The right to reinstatement of a revoked real estate 1. license or to the reduction of a suspension is controlled by Section 11522 of the Government Code. A copy of Section 11522 and a copy of the Commissioner's Criteria of Rehabilitation are attached hereto for the information of respondent. This Decision shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on November 13, 2000 IT IS SO ORDERED PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner COURT PAPER STATE OF CALIFORNIA STD. 113 (REV. 3-95) -3-

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14 15	NOTICE
16	TO: MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN, Respondent
. 17	and ROBERT A. BROWN, her Counsel.
18	YOU ARE HEREBY NOTIFIED that the Proposed Decision
19	herein dated June 30, 2000, of the Administrative Law Judge
20	is not adopted as the Decision of the Real Estate Commissioner.
. 21	A copy of the Proposed Decision dated June 30, 2000, is attached
22	hereto for your information.
23	In accordance with Section 11517(c) of the Government
24	Code of the State of California, the disposition of this case will be determined by me after consideration of the record
25	herein including the transcript of the proceedings held on
26	January 13, 2000 and March 23, 2000, and any written argument
27	hereafter submitted on behalf of Respondent and Complainant.
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Written argument of Respondent to be considered by me must be submitted within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the transcript of the proceedings of January 13, 2000 and March 23, 2000, at the Los Angeles office of the Department of Real Estate unless an extension of the time is granted for good cause shown.

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2000) DATED:

PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

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In the Matter of the Accusation of:

MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN,

Case No. H-28151

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Respondent.

PROPOSED DECISION

This matter came on for hearing before Richard J. Lopez, Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings, at Los Angeles, California, on January 13, 2000 and thereafter on March 23, 2000.

Martha J. Rosett, Department Attorney, represented the complainant.

Respondent appeared in person and was represented by Robert A. Brown, Attorney at Law.

Oral and documentary evidence and evidence by way of stipulation and official notice was received and the matter argued and thereafter submitted.

The record was held open to allow the filing of certain documents as follows:

On May 15, 2000, complainant filed its opening brief and the same was marked and received as Exhibit 10 for identification. On May 31, 2000 respondent filed a reply brief and the same was marked and received as Exhibit D for identification. By letter received June 6, 2000 the Department waived the filing of a closing brief.

The matter was deemed submitted on said date of June 6, 2000 and all of said briefs were read and considered.

The Administrative Law Judge now finds, determines, and orders as follows:

PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

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The complainant, Thomas McCrady, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, brought the Accusation in said official capacity.

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Maruska Esmeralda Beltran, respondent herein, is presently licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California as real estate salesperson under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code, hereinafter Code). She was first licensed on July 16, 1996.

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All jurisdictional requirements have been met. Jurisdictional for this proceeding does exist.

FACTUAL FINDINGS RE: ACCUSATION

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(A) During the first part of 1996, Waldimir John Klimenko and Respondent, doing business as "Integrity Realty," represented the sellers and buyers of real property known as 9268 Gainford Street, Downey, California. In particular, in January of 1996, Respondent, filled out the Purchase Contract/receipt for Deposit, dated January 27, 1996. Respondent executed the document in her own hand and included her own name alongside Klimenko's in the section marked "Agent/Broker." Respondent, at Klimenko's direction, obtained the seller's signatures. The contract was filled out and signed by the sellers, "accepting an offer of buyers." The property was sold by Tomas Eduardo Betancourt. The purchasers were Rulman Pebe (aka, "Raul Valer"), Enrique Curioso, and Carlos Segura.

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(A) The buyer's offer of \$258,000 was accepted and escrow was opened at Mid Cities Escrow on or about February 28, 1996. Among the documents submitted to the lender, American Savings Bank (American), by and through Respondent and Klimenko, was a copy of a passbook establishing that the buyers had some \$30,000 in an account at American in the names of two of the buyers. In truth and fact, this account was opened using funds obtained from Respondent's father, Manuel Beltran. This material fact was not disclosed to American, who issued the loan in the amount of \$231,942 as part of a special community lending program that required the borrowers to establish that they held a certain amount of cash.

(B) The money deposited into this account was then used by the buyers as the funds needed by them to complete the purchase over and above the \$231,942.00 supplied by American secured by a note and deed of trust. Mid Cities closed escrow on this transaction May 17, 1996. Respondent's failure to make disclosure of said material fact constitutes a material misrepresentation.

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At some time prior to the close of escrow, Respondent and Klimenko caused to be executed a second trust deed securing a lien of \$30,500 in factor of Respondent's father, Manuel Beltran. At no time was said deed of trust disclosed to Curioso, Segura or the lender. This second deed of trust, purportedly executed on or about May 10, 1996, was recorded on or about April 15, 1997, eleven months after the close of escrow. At no time prior to the close of escrow was this lien disclosed to the lender, American Savings Bank. Respondent's failure to do so constitutes a material misrepresentation.

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A second loan on the property was obtained about which at least one of the borrowers (Curioso) had no knowledge, for the purpose of "home improvements." Approximately \$12,000 in proceeds of this loan were deposited by Respondent into her business account and never further accounted for.

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(A) It was not established the American suffered monetary loss or other economic damage as a result of respondent's conduct. Further, American, in the ordinary course of sound and prudent underwriting and due diligence, should have placed a hold ("red flag") on the transaction. The true nature of funds available would have been revealed by a prudent investigation.

(B) However, American Savings did rely on the representations of Respondent that the buyers had sufficient funds in their account to make the required down payment. Had American Savings known that the money was provided to the buyers by Respondent and her father the loan would not have been funded.

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Respondent's conduct set forth in Findings 5, 6 and 7, and each of them, constitutes dishonest dealing.

Respondent's conduct set forth in Findings 5, 6 and 7, and each of them, constitutes acts which would cause denial of her license.

SUPPLEMENTAL FINDINGS MITIGATION

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Respondent has no record of prior discipline. Respondent's misconduct did not result in economic harm to others.

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Respondent's misconduct demonstrates multiple acts of wrongdoing and was surrounded by concealment. Respondent displayed a lack of candor and cooperation with the Department during its prosecution and investigation of the case.

LEGAL CONCLUSIONS

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(A) The pertinent statutes concerning licensure and regulation of real estate licensees, prospective real estate licensees and the activities of same are found in the Business and Professions Code (BPC) *et seq* (section 1000: "This part may be cited as the Real Estate Law")

(B) The regulations pertinent herein are found in California Code of Regulations (CCR) Title 10, Chapter 6 and empower the Real Estate Commissioner to administer and enforce the Real Estate Law.

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Cause exists for discipline of respondent's license for violations of the BPC as follows:

(A) BPC section 10177(j), by reason of Findings 5, 6, 7 and 9.

(B) BPC section 10177(f), by reason of Findings 5, 6, 7 and 10.

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(A) The objective of an administrative proceeding relating to discipline, if any, is to protect the public; to determine whether a license holder or prospective license holder has acted in derogation of the public interest. Such proceedings are not for the primary purpose of punishment: <u>Fahmy v. MBC</u> (1995) 38 Cal.App. 4th 810, 817; <u>Ex Parte Brounsell</u> (1778) 2 Cowp. 829, 98 Eng.Rep. 1385.

(B) To protect the public interest the legislative has mandated to the Department, under the Real Estate Law, broad regulatory authority, duties and functions. Part of that authority includes Business and Professions Code Sections 10177(j) and 10176(i). Each grant the Commissioner the authority to revoke or to refuse ot issue a real estate license if the licensee or applicant has engaged in, "[a]ny other conduct, whether of the same or a different character than specified in this section, which constitutes fraud or dishonest dealing." In addition, under 10177 (f), the Real Estate Commissioner, after finding on substantial evidence that a licensee was not truthful or honest, has jurisdiction to impose discipline. (Buckley v. Savage (1960 Cal.App.2d 18.) Code Section 10176, which provides grounds for discipline of a licensee, is focused on acts performed while "acting in the capacity of a real estate licensee." The acts set forth in Section 10177, on the other hand, are not limited to conduct undertaken in the capacity of a real estate licensee.

(C) Part of the rationale for the protection of the public interest is set forth, in part, in the following venerable cases:

As discussed in <u>Chodur v. Edmonds</u> (1985) 174 Cal. App.3d 565:

"...California courts have considered the term dishonesty within various statutory schemes and have relied on the common understanding as described in *Hogg v. Real Estate Commissioner (1942) 54 Cal. App.2d712, 717...*involving fraud, deception, betrayal faithlessness; absence of integrity; a disposition to cheat, deceive or defraud." 174 Cal. App. 3d at 570: "...dishonest dealing may encompass more than just fraud or deception...dishonesty necessarily includes the element of bad faith...[which] means fraud, deception, betrayal, faithlessness...It denotes an absence of integrity." Id. At 572.

Further, the degree of harm to the victim is not dispositive:

"A licensee who utters a substantial falsehood in connection with a real estate transaction is not to be insulated from the consequences of his dishonesty simply because the other party to the transaction suffers no pecuniary loss. Regardless of the lack of pecuniary damage.occasioned by the falsehood, the licensee has demonstrated a lack of integrity." <u>Buckley v. Savage</u> 184 Cal. App.2d at 32.

And:

"The basic reason for disciplinary action in matters of this kind is the protection of the public against unethical and dishonest conduct on the part of those engaged in the real estate business." <u>Parkman v. Savage</u> (1964) 227 Cal.App 2d 436, 439.

(D) Respondent, not long a licensee, participated in dishonest dealing and, therefore, should readjust her "moral compass". Accordingly, the order which follows is consistent with the public interest.

ORDER

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent under the Real Estate law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate salesperson license shall be issued to Respondent pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business and Professions Code if Respondent makes application therefor and pays to the Department of Real Estate the appropriate fee for the restricted license within 90 days from the effective date of this Decision. The restricted license issued to Respondent 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 that Code:

<u>1.</u> The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.

2. The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent 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. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license not for the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until 3 year(s) have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.

4. Respondent shall submit with any application for license 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 of Real Estate which shall certify:

(a) That the employing broker has read the Decision 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.

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

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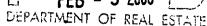
6. Respondent shall, within nine months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. If Respondent 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.

(June 2000 Dated: RICHARD

Administrative Law Judge Office of Administrative Hearings

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL STATE OF CALIFORNIA



In the Matter of the Accusation of

Case No. H- 28151 LA

OAH No. L-1999060139

MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN,

Respondent

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ACCUSATION

To the above named respondent:

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at Office of Administrative Hearings, 320 W. Fourth Street, Ste. 630, Los Angeles on <u>March 23 & 24, 2000</u>, at the hour of <u>9:00 a.m.</u>, or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you. If you object to the place of hearing, you must notify the presiding administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings within ten (10) days after this notice is served on you. Failure to notify the presiding administrative law judge within ten days will deprive you of a change in the place of the hearing.

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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 subpenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of books, documents or other things by applying to the Department of Real Estate.

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 and pay his or her costs. The interpreter must be certified in accordance with Sections 11435.30 and 11435.55 of the Government Code.

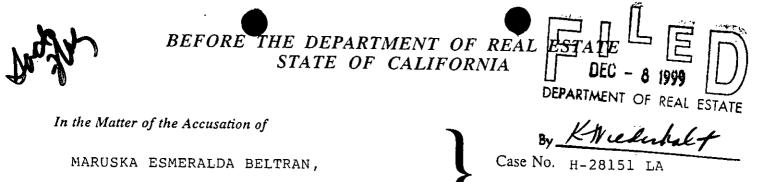
DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

Dated: February 3, 2000

Counsel

RE 501 (Rev. 8/97) CC: Maruska Esmeralda Beltran Robert A. Brown, Esq. Sacto OAH LK

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OAH No. L-1999060139

Respondent

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ACCUSATION

To the above named respondent:

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at Office of Administrative Hearings, 320 W. Fourth St., Ste. 630, Los Angeles, CA on January 13, 2000, at the hour of 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you. If you object to the place of hearing, you must notify the presiding administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings within ten (10) days after this notice is served on you. Failure to notify the presiding administrative law judge within ten days will deprive you of a change in the place of the hearing.

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

Dated: December 8, 1999

cc: Maruska Esmeralda Beltran RE 501 (Rev. 8/97) Robert A. Brown, Esq. Sacto OAH LK

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MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN (hereinafter referred to as 2 Respondent) is presently licensed by the Department of Real Estate of the State of California ("Department") as real estate 3 4 salesperson under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the 5 Business and Professions Code, hereinafter Code). She was first 6 licensed on July 16, 1996.

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8 During the first part of 1996, Wladimir John Klimenko 9 and Respondent, doing business as "Integrity Realty," represented 10 the sellers and buyers of real property known as 9268 Gainford 11 Street, Downey, California. The property was sold by Tomas 12 Eduardo Betancourt. The purchasers were Rulman Pebe (aka, "Raul 13 Valer"), Enrique Curioso, and Carlos Segura.

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In furtherance of the Gainford Street transaction 17 described in paragraph III above, in April of 1996, Respondent and 18 her husband Klimenko met with the prospective purchasers at the 19 offices of Integrity Realty in Downey. The explanation offered to 20 Curioso and Segura was that they were assisting Pebe/Valer in 21 purchasing the property by co-signing on the loan needed to 22 purchase this property. At that time, Respondent BELTRAN served 23 as translator, providing instructions and explanations to the 24 purchasers Enrique Curioso and Carlos Segura in their native 25 language, Spanish. At that time, Respondent instructed Curioso 26 and Segura to sign documents which she knew, or should have known, 27 they did not understand.

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1 The buyer's offer of \$258,000 was accepted and escrow 2 was opened at Mid Cities Escrow on or about February 28, 1996. 3 Among the documents submitted to the lender, American Savings 4 Bank, by Respondent and Klimenko, was a copy of a passbook 5 establishing that the buyers had some \$30,000 in an account at 6 American Savings in the names of two of the buyers. In truth and 7 in fact Respondent and two of the buyers had opened this account 8 using funds obtained by Respondent from her father, Manuel 9 Beltran. The money deposited into this account was then used by 10 the buyers as the funds needed by them to complete the purchase 11 over and above the \$231,942.00 supplied by American secured by a 12 note and a deed of trust. Mid Cities closed escrow on this 13 transaction May 17, 1996.

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15 At some time prior to the close of escrow, Respondent 16 and/or Klimenko caused to be executed a second trust deed securing 17 a lien of \$30,500 in favor of Respondent's father, Manuel Beltran. 18 At no time was said deed of trust disclosed to Curioso, Segura 19 and/or the lender. This second deed of trust, purportedly 20 executed on or about May 10, 1996, was recorded on or about April 21 15, 1997, eleven months after the close of escrow. At no time 22 prior to the close of escrow was this lien disclosed to the 23 lender, American Savings Bank.

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The acts and omissions of Respondent, as set forth 4. above, constitute fraud and/or dishonest dealing and are cause to 5 suspend or revoke her present license pursuant to Sections 6 10177(j) and/or 10176(i) of the Business and Professions Code. 7 Further, these same acts would have been cause for denial of her 8 license pursuant to Section 480(a)(2)(3) of the Code and 9 constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of her license 10 pursuant to Section 10177(f) of the Code.

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted 12 on the allegations of this Accusation and that upon proof thereof, 13 a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary action against the 14 license and/or license rights of MARUSKA ESMERALDA BELTRAN under 15 the Real Estate Law and for such other and further relief as may 16 be proper under applicable provisions of law.

17 Dated at Los Angeles, California

this 30th day of November 1999. 18

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL STATE OF CALIFORNIA



DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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OAH No. L-1999060139

Respondent

NOTICE OF HEARING ON ACCUSATION

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on December 7, 1999 9:00 a.m. _, at the hour of _ , or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you. If you object to the place of hearing, you must notify the presiding administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings within ten (10) days after this notice is served on you. Failure to notify the presiding administrative law judge within ten days will deprive you of a change in the place of the hearing.

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

Dated: November 8, 1999

Counsel

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To the above-named Respondent:

You are hereby notified that a hearing will be held before the Department of Real Estate at the Office of Administrative Hearings, 320 West 4th Street, Suite 50, Los Angeles, California 90013 on <u>September 29, 1999</u>. at 9:00 a.m. or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Accusation served upon you. If you object to the place of hearing, you must notify the presiding administrative law judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings within ten days will deprive you of a change in the place of the hearing.

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Dated: June 21, 1999

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