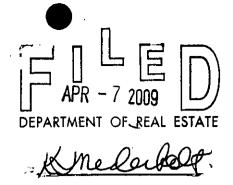
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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATÉ OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of ) NO. H-29850 LA

NAH'L AUSAR,

Respondent.

### ORDER DENYING UNRESTRICTED LICENSE

On July 17, 2003, a Decision was rendered herein, denying Respondent NAH'L AUSAR aka Frederic W. Dumas' application for a real estate broker license, 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 or about September 9, 2003.

On or about August 16, 2007, Respondent petitioned for the removal of restrictions attaching to Respondent's real estate broker license.

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I have considered the petition of Respondent and the evidence submitted in support thereof. Respondent has failed to demonstrate to my satisfaction that it would be in the public interest to issue an unrestricted real estate broker license to Respondent, in that:

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The Decision which denied Respondent's real estate broker license pursuant to Sections 475(a)(1), 480(a), 480(c), 10177(a) and 10177(b) of the Business and Professions Code ("Code"), was based on Findings that Respondent failed to disclose a criminal conviction on Respondent's real estate license application.

On or about March 5, 1993, Respondent was convicted of violating Penal Code Section 484 (petty theft).

On or about September 13, 2002, Respondent applied to the Department for a real estate broker license. Respondent failed to disclose the criminal conviction on Respondent's license application.

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The burden of proving rehabilitation rests with the petitioner (Feinstein v. State Bar (1952) 39 Cal. 2d 541).

A petitioner is required to show greater proof of honesty and integrity than an applicant for first time licensure. The proof must be sufficient to overcome the prior adverse judgment

on the applicant's character ( $\underline{Tardiff\ v.\ State\ Bar}$  (1980) 27 Cal. 3d 395).

The Department has developed criteria in Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations ("Regulation") 2911 to assist in evaluating the rehabilitation of an applicant for reinstatement of a license. Among the criteria relevant in this proceeding are:

2911 (n)(1) - Respondent has not demonstrated a change in attitude from that which existed at the time of the conduct in question. As part of the petition application process, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner requested that Respondent provide additional information and appear for a scheduled interview. Respondent failed to do so.

Given the fact that Respondent has not established that Respondent has complied with Regulation 2911(n)(1), I am not satisfied that Respondent is sufficiently rehabilitated to receive a real estate broker license.

This Order shall be effective at 12 o'clock noon APR 27 2000

DATED: 3/29/09

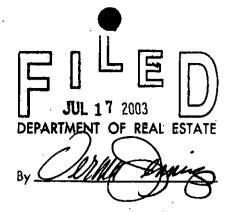
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# BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

#### DECISION AFTER RECONSIDERATION

On May 23, 2003, a Docision was rendered herein by the Real Estate Commissioner which denied the application of Respondent Frederic W. Dumas for a real estate broker license. Said Decision was to become effective on June 17, 2003, and was stayed by separate Order to July 17, 2003. On June 16, 2003, respondent petitioned for reconsideration of the Decision of May 23, 2003.

I have considered the petition of Respondent and have concluded that good cause has been presented for reconsideration of the Decision of May 23, 2003, for the limited purpose of determining whether the action therein imposed should be reduced.

It is hereby ordered that the Order of the Decision shall be as follows:

#### ORDER

Respondent's application for a real estate broker license is denied, provided, however, a restricted real estate broker license shall be issued to Respondent pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business and Professions Code. 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 said Code:

- The license shall not confer any property right in the privileges to be exercised, and the Real Estate Commissioner may by appropriate order suspend the right to exercise any privileges granted under this restricted license in the event of:
- The conviction of Respondent (including a plea of nolo contendere) of a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; 01.
- The receipt of evidence that Respondent has (b) violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner or conditions attaching to this restricted liconso.

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2. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions attaching to the restricted license until two (2) years have clapsed from the data of issuance of the restricted license to Respondent.

Petition for reinstatement of a revoked real estate license is controlled by Section 11522 of the Government Code. A copy of Section 11522 is attached hereto for the information of respondent.

If and when application is made for a real estate license through a petition for reinstatement, all competent evidence of rehabilitation presented by the respondent will be considered by the Real Estate Commissioner. A copy of the Commissioner's Criteria of Rehabilitation is attached hereto.

This Decision shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on August 6, 2003

IT IS SO ORDERED

PAULA REDDÍSH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

#### BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of FREDERIC W. DUMAS,

No. H-29850 LA L-2003010658

Respondent.

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#### ORDER STAYING EFFECTIVE DATE

On May 23, 2003, a Decision was rendered in the aboveentitled matter to become effective June 17, 2003.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that the effective date of the Decision of May 23, 2003 is stayed for a period of 30 days.

The Decision of May 23, 2003 shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on July 17, 2003.

By:

DATE June 16, 2003.

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PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

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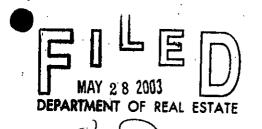
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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of )

No. H-29850 LA

FREDERIC W. DUMAS,

L-2003010658

Respondent.

#### **DECISION**

The Proposed Decision dated April 18, 2003, of the Administrative Law Judge of the Office of Administrative Hearings, is hereby adopted as the Decision of the Real Estate Commissioner in the above-entitled matter.

Pursuant to Section 11517(b)(3) of the Government Code of the State of California, the Proposed Decision, at page 3, Conclusions of Law, paragraph 1, line 1, "salesperson" is emended to read, "broker"; at page 4, Conclusions of Law, paragraph 2, line 2, "salesperson" is amended to read, "broker".

The application for a real estate broker license is denied. There is no statutory restriction on when application may again be made for this license. If and when application is again made for this license, all competent evidence of rehabilitation presented by respondent will be considered by the Real Estate Commissioner. A copy of the Commissioner's <u>Criteria of Rehabilitation</u> is appended hereto for the information of respondent.

IT IS SO ORDERED ///au. 23,

PAULA REDDISH ZINNEMANN Real Estate Commissioner

# BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of:

Case No. H-29850 LA

FREDERIC W. DUMAS,

OAH No. L2003010658

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 April 2, 2003.

James Peel, Counsel, represented the complainant.

Respondent appeared in person and represented himself.

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

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

#### FACTUAL FINDINGS

#### PARTIES AND JURISDICTION

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The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, brought the Statement of Issues in her official capacity.

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On or about September 13, 2002, respondent applied to the Department of Real Estate of the State of California for a real estate broker license.

These proceedings are brought under the provisions of §10100, Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California and §§11500 through 11528 of the Government Code. All prehearing requirements have been met. Jurisdiction for this proceeding does exist.

# FINDINGS RE ACCUSATION

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On March 5, 1993, in the Municipal Court of South Bay Judicial District, County of Los Angeles, State of California, respondent was convicted of violating §484 of the Penal Code (Petty Theft), a crime involving moral turpitude and substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee. In sum respondent, with an associate, shoplifted some clothing from a Bullock's Department Store.

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In response to Question 20 of said application, to wit, "Have you ever been convicted of any violation of law?", respondent answered "No" and failed to disclose the matter set forth in Finding 4.

More particularly, the application includes the following directive:

- Carefully read and provide detailed answers to questions #19-24. You must provide a yes or no response to all questions.
- "Convicted" as used in Question 20 includes a verdict of guilty by judge or jury, a plea of guilty or of nolo contendere, or a forfeiture of bail in municipal, superior or federal court. All convictions must be disclosed whether or not the plea or verdict was set aside, the

conviction against you dismissed, or expunged or if you have been pardoned. Convictions occurring while you were a minor must be disclosed unless the record of conviction has been sealed under §1203.54 of the California Penal Code or §781 of the Welfare and Institution Code.

Question 20 inquires specifically as follows:

Have you ever been convicted of any violation of law? Convictions expunged under Penal Code §1203.4 must be disclosed. However, you may omit minor traffic citations which do not constitute a misdemeanor or felony offense.

Despite the clear command of that language to disclose all convictions respondent failed to disclose the conviction set forth in Finding 4 when he knew, in fact, he had suffered that conviction.

### FINDINGS IN THE PUBLIC INTEREST

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Respondent did timely complete all court imposed requirements resulting from the conviction. He has suffered no other conviction. Consistent with respondent's petition the conviction was expunged pursuant to *Penal Code §1203.4*.

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Respondent was issued a California Barber's License on March 11, 1999 and works under that license. In August, respondent completed the requirements of a Bachelor of Arts Degree and received same from the Cal State – University, Dominguez Hills. Additionally, respondent has experience as an assistant coach for youth sports, and as a youth mentor at Greater First Baptist Church.

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The crime occurred approximately nine years ago. Certain of the circumstances of the crime – shoplifting from a Bullocks Department Store – involves dishonest conduct. The passage of time from that conduct combined with the activities set forth in Finding 6 is, per se, rehabilitative. However, the conduct set forth in Finding 5 – failure to disclose the conviction despite the clear command to do so in the application – is dishonest conduct. That dishonest conduct is recent. That recent act demonstrates a lack of integrity and trustworthiness.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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Cause exists for denial of respondent's application for a real estate salesperson license for violation of *Business and Professions Code* §§480(a) and 10177(b) by reason of Finding 4.

Respondent's failure to disclose the conviction set forth in Finding 4 constitutes the attempted procurement of a real estate salesperson license by misrepresentation, fraud, or deceit, or by making a material misstatement of fact in said application which is separate cause to deny respondent's real estate application for violation of Business and Professions Code  $\S\S475(a)(1)$ , 480(c) and 10177(a) by reason of Finding 5.

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The objective of an administrative proceeding relating to licensing is to protect the public. Such proceedings are not for the primary purpose of punishment. Fahmy v. MBC (1995) 38 Cal.App. 4<sup>th</sup> 810, 817; Ex Parte Brounsell (1778) 2 Cowp. 829, 98 Eng.Rep. 1385. Certain of that public interest is set forth in the rationale of Harrington v. Department of Real Estate 214 Cal.App. 3<sup>rd</sup> 394:

application is itself sufficient to sustain a finding that appellant does not yet appreciate the need to speak honesty about and to accept responsibility for one's actions. As the ALJ accurately noted, "One's character trait for honesty and integrity is an important qualification to be a real estate salesperson inasmuch as clients rely on the licensee's integrity in representing them, disclosing important facts about the properties he is privy to and holding monies in a fiduciary capacity." The public exposing itself to a real estate licensee has reason to believe the licensee must have demonstrated a degree of honesty and integrity in order to have obtained a license. (Golde v. Fox, supra, 98 Ca.App.3<sup>rd</sup> at p.178). Neither the trial court nor the ALJ abused its discretion in concluding appellant failed to demonstrate successful rehabilitation.

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Applications for a real estate license are signed under penalty of perjury. Applicants certify that all statements are true and complete. The information contained in the application is used by the Department to determine whether the applicant possesses the requisite honesty, credibility, truthfulness, and integrity to fulfill the responsibilities of a real estate licensee. Therefore, complete and accurate disclosure of the requested information is essential for the Department to evaluate applicants. Accordingly, the order which follows is consistent with the rationale of *Harrington*, *supra* and is consistent with the public interest.

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## ORDER

The application of Frederic W. Dumas for the issuance of a real estate broker license is hereby denied.

Dated: 2

Administrative Law Judge
Office of Administrative Hearings

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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

In the Matter of the Application of

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Case No. H-29850 LA

OAH No. L-2003010658

FREDERIC W. DUMAS

Respondent

#### NOTICE OF HEARING ON APPLICATION

#### 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 West Fourth Street, Suite 630, Los Angeles, California, on April 2, 2003, at the hour of 1:30 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter can be heard, upon the Statement of Issues 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.

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.

The burden of proof is upon you to establish that you are entitled to the license or other action sought. If you not present nor represented at the hearing, the Department may act upon your application without taking evidence.

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.

Dated: March 11, 2003

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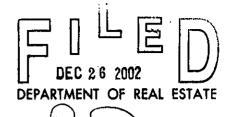




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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of FREDERIC W. DUMAS.

real estate broker license.

No. H-29850 LA

STATEMENT OF ISSUES

Respondent.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, for Statement of Issues

against FREDERIC W. DUMAS (Respondent) is informed and alleges in

her official capacity as follows:

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the Department of Real Estate of the State of California for a

On or about September 13, 2002, Respondent applied to

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II

In response to Question 20 of said application, to wit, "Have you ever been convicted of any violation of law?", Respondent answered "No" and failed to disclose the matter set forth in Paragraph III.

III

On or about March 5, 1993, in the Municipal Court of South Bay Judicial District, County of Los Angeles, State of California, Respondent was convicted of violating Section 484 of the Penal Code (Petty Theft), a crime involving moral turpitude and substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.

IV

The matter described in Paragraph III constitutes cause for denial of his application for a real estate broker license under Sections 480(a) and 10177(b) of the California Business and Professions Code.

V

Respondent's failure to disclose the matter set forth in Paragraph III, above, in said application, constitutes the attempted procurement of a real estate broker license by misrepresentation, fraud, or deceit, or by making a material misstatement of fact in said application, or by knowingly making a false statement of fact required to be revealed in said application, which is cause to deny Respondent's real estate



license application under Sections 475(a)(1), 480(c) and 10177(a) of the California Business and Professions Code.

The Statement of Issues is brought under the provisions of Section 10100, Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California and Sections 11500 through 11528 of the Government Code.

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WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that the aboveentitled matter be set for hearing and, upon proof of the charges
contained herein, that the Commissioner refuse to authorize the
issuance of, and deny the issuance of, a real estate broker
license to Respondent, FREDERIC W. DUMAS, and for such other and
further relief as may be proper in the premises.

Dated at Los Angeles, California,

day of Melule, 2002

MARIA SUÁREZ

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Frederic W. Dumas Maria Suarez Sacto.

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