



## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

No. H-32655 LA In the Matter of the Application of KIRIT MERCHANT, Respondent.

### ORDER GRANTING UNRESTRICTED LICENSE

On April 12, 2006, a Decision was rendered herein denying the real estate salesperson license of Respondent, but granting Respondent the right to the issuance of a restricted real estate salesperson license. A restricted real estate salesperson license was issued to Respondent on May 3, 2006 and Respondent has operated as a restricted licensee without cause for disciplinary action against Respondent since that time.

On or about December 15, 2008, Respondent petitioned for removal of restrictions of said real estate salesperson license.

I have considered Respondent's petition and the evidence and arguments submitted in support thereof. Respondent has demonstrated to my satisfaction that Respondent meets the requirements of law for the issuance to Respondent of an unrestricted real estate

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salesperson 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 removal of restrictions is granted and that a real estate salesperson license be issued to Respondent, if Respondent satisfies the following requirements:

1. Submits a completed application and pays the fee for a real estate salesperson license within the 12 month period following the date of this Order; and

2. Submits proof that Respondent has completed the continuing education requirements for renewal of the license sought. The continuing education courses must be completed either (i) within the 12 month period preceding the filing of the completed application, or (ii) within the 12 month period following the date of this Order.

This Order shall be effective immediately.

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# DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Application of

KIRIT MERCHANT,

STIPULATION AND
WAIVER

I, KIRIT MERCHANT, respondent herein, do hereby affirm that I have applied to the Department of Real Estate for a real estate salesperson license and that to the best of my knowledge I have satisfied all of the statutory requirements for the issuance of the license, including the payment of the fee therefor.

Respondent

I acknowledge that I have received and read the Statement of Issues and the Statement to Respondent filed by the Department of Real Estate on April 6, 2006, in connection with my application for a real estate salesperson license. I understand that the Real Estate Commissioner may hold a hearing on this Statement of Issues for the purpose of requiring further proof of my honesty and truthfulness and to prove other allegations therein, or that he may in his discretion waive the hearing and grant me a restricted real estate salesperson license based upon this Stipulation and Waiver. I also understand that by filing the Statement of Issues in this matter the Real Estate Commissioner is shifting the burden to me to make a satisfactory showing that I meet all the requirements for issuance of a real estate salesperson license. I further understand that by entering into this stipulation and waiver I will be stipulating that the Real Estate

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RE 511B (Rev. 10/04) Commissioner has found that I have failed to make such a showing, thereby justifying the denial of the issuance to me of an unrestricted real estate salesperson license.

I hereby admit that the allegations of the Statement of Issues filed against me are true and correct and requests that the Real Estate Commissioner in his discretion issue a restricted real estate salesperson license to me under the authority of Section 10156.5 of the Business and Professions Code. I understand that any such restricted license will be issued subject to and be limited by Section 10153.4 of the Business and Professions Code.

I am aware that by signing this Stipulation and Waiver, I am waiving my right to a hearing and the opportunity to present evidence at the hearing to establish my rehabilitation in order to obtain an unrestricted real estate salesperson license if this Stipulation and Waiver is accepted by the Real Estate Commissioner. However, I am not waiving my right to a hearing and to further proceedings to obtain a restricted or unrestricted license if this Stipulation and Waiver is not accepted by the Commissioner.

I further understand that the following conditions, limitations, and restrictions will attach to a restricted license issued by the Department of Real Estate pursuant hereto:

- 1. The license shall not confer any property right in the privileges to be exercised including the right of renewal, 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:
  - a. The conviction of respondent (including a plea of nolo contendere) to a crime which bears a substantial relationship to respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; or
  - b. The receipt of evidence 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 this restricted license.
- 2. I 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 attaching to the restricted license until two years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted license to respondent.





- 3. With the application for license, or with the application for transfer to a new employing broker, I shall submit a statement signed by the prospective employing broker on a form approved by the Department of Real Estate wherein the employing broker shall certify as follows:
  - a. That broker has read the Statement of Issues which is the basis for the issuance of the restricted license; and
  - b. That broker will carefully review all transaction documents prepared by the restricted licensee and otherwise exercise close supervision over the licensee's performance of acts for which a license is required.
- 4. My restricted real estate salesperson license is issued subject to the requirements of Section 10153.4 of the Business and Professions Code, to wit: I am required, within eighteen (18) months of the issuance of the restricted license, to submit evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of successful completion, at an accredited institution, of a course in real estate practices and one of the courses listed in Section 10153.2, other than real estate principles, advanced legal aspects of real estate, advanced real estate finance, or advanced real estate appraisal. If I fail to timely present to the Department satisfactory evidence of successful completion of the two required courses, the restricted license shall be automatically suspended effective eighteen (18) months after the date of its issuance. Said suspension shall not be lifted unless, prior to the expiration of the restricted license, I have submitted the required evidence of course completion and the Commissioner has given written notice to Respondent of the lifting of the suspension.
- 5. Pursuant to Section 10154, if I have not satisfied the requirements for an unqualified license under Section 10153.4, Respondent shall not be entitled to renew the restricted license, and shall not be entitled to the issuance of another license which is subject to Section 10153.4 until four years after the date of the issuance of the preceding restricted license.

Respondent can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Waiver by faxing a copy of the signature page, as actually signed by respondent, to the Department at fax number (213) 576-6917. Respondent agrees, acknowledges and understands that by electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of his actual signature as it appears on the Stipulation and Waiver, that receipt

ı	of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on respondent as if the Department had received
2	the original signed Stipulation and Waiver.
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4	Dated KIRIT MERCHANT, Respondent
5	I have read the Statement of Issues filed herein and the foregoing Stipulation and Waiver signed by
6	respondent. I am satisfied that the hearing for the purpose of requiring further proof as to the honesty and
7	truthfulness of respondent need not be called and that it will not be inimical to the public interest to issue a
8	restricted real estate salesperson license to respondent.
9	Therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a restricted real estate salesperson license be issued to
10	respondent KIRIT MERCHANT if respondent has otherwise fulfilled all of the statutory requirements for
11	licensure. The restricted license shall be limited, conditioned, and restricted as specified in the foregoing
12	Stipulation and Waiver.
13	This Order is effective immediately.
14	IT IS SO ORDERED april 12, 2006.
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#### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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KIRIT MERCHANT, ) STATEMENT OF ISSUES )

Respondent.

The Complainant, Janice Waddell, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Statement of Issues against KIRIT MERCHANT ("Respondent"), is informed and alleges as follows:

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The Complainant, Janice Waddell, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Statement of Issues against Respondent in her official capacity.

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Respondent made application to the Department of Real Estate of the State of California for a real estate salesperson license on or about June 27, 2005. This license was to be subject to Section 10153.4 of the Business and Professions Code ("Code").

#### III

#### (CRIMINAL CONVICTION)

On or about February 5, 1982, in the Nassau County Court, State of New York, in Case No. 52347, Respondent KIRIT MERCHANT, was convicted of two counts (2) counts of violating New York Penal Code Section 175.05, (Falsifying Business Records). This is a crime involving moral turpitude which is substantially related under Title 10, Chapter 6, Section 2910, subdivisions (a)(1), (a)(4) and (a)(8), California Code of Regulations, to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.

IV

The crime of which Respondent was convicted, as alleged herein above in Paragraph III, constitutes cause for denial of Respondent's application for a real estate license under Code Sections 475(a)(2), 480(a)(1) and/or 10177(b).

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

WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that the above entitled 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 salesperson license to Respondent, KIRIT MERCHANT, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

this a day of March, 2006.

Janice Waddell

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: KIRIT MERCHANT Janice Waddell

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