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7 **DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE**  
8 **STATE OF CALIFORNIA**

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10 *In the Matter of the Application of*

11 JOHN TOM PAPAGEORGE,

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14 Respondent

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) No. H- 33726 LA  
) L-2007030099

) **STIPULATION AND**  
) **WAIVER**

15 It is hereby stipulated by and between JOHN TOM PAPAGEORGE (hereinafter "Respondent") and  
16 Respondent's attorney, Mary E. Work, and the Complainant, acting by and through Lissete Garcia, Counsel  
17 for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Statement of  
18 Issues filed on February 8, 2007, in this matter:

19 Respondent acknowledges that Respondent has received and read the Statement of Issues and the  
20 Statement to Respondent filed by the Department of Real Estate in connection with Respondent's  
21 application for a real estate salesperson license. Respondent understands that the Real Estate Commissioner  
22 may hold a hearing on this Statement of Issues for the purpose of requiring further proof of Respondent's  
23 honesty and truthfulness and to prove other allegations therein, or that he may in his discretion waive the  
24 hearing and grant Respondent a restricted real estate salesperson license based upon this Stipulation and  
25 Waiver. Respondent also understands that by filing the Statement of Issues in this matter the Real Estate  
26 Commissioner is shifting the burden to Respondent to make a satisfactory showing that Respondent meets  
27 all the requirements for issuance of a real estate salesperson license. Respondent further understands that by

1 entering into this stipulation and waiver Respondent will be stipulating that the Real Estate Commissioner  
2 has found that Respondent has failed to make such a showing, thereby justifying the denial of the issuance  
3 to Respondent of an unrestricted real estate salesperson license.

4 Respondent hereby admits that the allegations of the Statement of Issues filed against Respondent are  
5 true and correct and requests that the Real Estate Commissioner in his discretion issue a restricted real  
6 estate salesperson license to Respondent under the authority of Section 10156.5 of the Business and  
7 Professions Code. Respondent understands that any such restricted license will be issued subject to and be  
8 limited by Section 10153.4 of the Business and Professions Code.

9 Respondent is aware that by signing this Stipulation and Waiver, Respondent is waiving Respondent's  
10 right to a hearing and the opportunity to present evidence at the hearing to establish Respondent's  
11 rehabilitation in order to obtain an unrestricted real estate salesperson license if this Stipulation and Waiver  
12 is accepted by the Real Estate Commissioner. However, Respondent is not waiving Respondent's right to a  
13 hearing and to further proceedings to obtain a restricted or unrestricted license if this Stipulation and  
14 Waiver is not accepted by the Commissioner.

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

- 17 1. The license shall not confer any property right in the privileges to be exercised including the  
18 right of renewal, and the Real Estate Commissioner may by appropriate order suspend the right  
19 to exercise any privileges granted under this restricted license in the event of:
  - 20 a. The conviction of Respondent (including a plea of nolo contendere) to a crime which bears  
21 a substantial relationship to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee; or
  - 22 b. The receipt of evidence that Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real  
23 Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or  
24 conditions attaching to this restricted license.
- 25 2. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license  
26 nor the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions attaching to the restricted  
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1 license until two years have elapsed from the date of issuance of the restricted license to  
2 Respondent.

3 3. With the application for license, or with the application for transfer to a new employing broker,  
4 Respondent shall submit a statement signed by the prospective employing broker on a form  
5 approved by the Department of Real Estate wherein the employing broker shall certify as  
6 follows:

7 a. That broker has read the Statement of Issues which is the basis for the issuance of the  
8 restricted license; and

9 b. That broker will carefully review all transaction documents prepared by the restricted  
10 licensee and otherwise exercise close supervision over the licensee's performance of acts  
11 for which a license is required.

12 4. Respondent's restricted real estate salesperson license is issued subject to the requirements of  
13 Section 10153.4 of the Business and Professions Code, to wit: Respondent is required, within  
14 eighteen (18) months of the issuance of the restricted license, to submit evidence satisfactory to  
15 the Commissioner of successful completion, at an accredited institution, of  
16 a course in real estate practices and one of the courses listed in Section 10153.2, other than real  
17 estate principles, advanced legal aspects of real estate, advanced real estate finance, or advanced  
18 real estate appraisal. If Respondent fails to timely present to the Department satisfactory  
19 evidence of successful completion of the two required courses, the restricted license shall be  
20 automatically suspended effective eighteen (18) months after the date of its issuance. Said  
21 suspension shall not be lifted unless, prior to the expiration of the restricted license, Respondent  
22 has submitted the required evidence of course completion and the Commissioner has given  
23 written notice to Respondent of the lifting of the suspension.

24 5. Pursuant to Section 10154, if Respondent has not satisfied the requirements for an unqualified  
25 license under Section 10153.4, Respondent shall not be entitled to renew the restricted license,  
26 and shall not be entitled to the issuance of another license which is subject to Section 10153.4  
27 until four years after the date of the issuance of the preceding restricted license.

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June 7, 2007  
Dated

Lisette Garcia  
LISSETE GARCIA, Counsel, Department of Real Estate

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I have read the Stipulation and Waiver, have discussed it with my counsel, 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 a hearing on the Statement of Issues at which I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

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 of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation and Waiver.

05-26-07  
Dated

John Tom Papageorge  
JOHN TOM PAPAGEORGE, Respondent

*I have reviewed the Stipulation and Waiver as to form and content and have advised my client accordingly.*

5-30-07  
Dated

Mary E. Work  
MARY E. WORK, Attorney for Respondent

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I have read the Statement of Issues filed herein and the foregoing Stipulation and Waiver signed by Respondent. I am satisfied that the hearing for the purpose of requiring further proof as to the honesty and truthfulness of Respondent need not be called and that it will not be inimical to the public interest to issue a restricted real estate salesperson license to Respondent.

Therefore, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that a restricted real estate salesperson license be issued to Respondent, if Respondent has otherwise fulfilled all of the statutory requirements for licensure. The restricted license shall be limited, conditioned, and restricted as specified in the foregoing Stipulation and Waiver.

This Order is effective immediately.

IT IS SO ORDERED      6-20-07

Jeff Davi  
Real Estate Commissioner

  
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2 Respondent was originally licensed as a broker with  
3 the Department on or about August 29, 1974. Respondent's broker  
4 license expired on November 2, 1998.

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6 FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL  
7 (CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS)

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9 III

10 On or about June 13, 1994, in the County Court,  
11 Arapahoe County, State of Colorado, Case No. 94T2336, Respondent  
12 pled guilty to and was convicted of violating C.R.S. §42-4-  
13 1202(1)(a) (driving under the influence of drugs or alcohol),  
14 a misdemeanor. Said crime involves moral turpitude and bears a  
15 substantial relationship under Section 2910, Title 10,  
16 Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations, to the  
17 qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.

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19 IV

20 On or about February 25, 2000, in the County Court,  
21 Mesa County, State of Colorado, Case No. 1999T 001622,  
22 Respondent pled guilty to and was convicted of violating C.R.S.  
23 §42-4-1301(1)(a) (driving under the influence of drugs or  
24 alcohol), a misdemeanor. Said crime involves moral turpitude  
25 and bears a substantial relationship under Section 2910,  
26 Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations, to the  
27 qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.

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1 On or about March 11, 2000, in the County Court,  
2 Arapahoe County, State of Colorado, Case No. 99T203281,  
3 Respondent pled guilty to and was convicted of violating C.R.S.  
4 §42-4-1301(1)(a) (driving under the influence of drugs or  
5 alcohol), a misdemeanor. Said crime involves moral turpitude  
6 and bears a substantial relationship under Section 2910,  
7 Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations, to the  
8 qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.  
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10 VI

11 On or about October 30, 2002, in the Superior Court of  
12 California, County of Riverside, Case No. SWM006512, Respondent  
13 pled guilty to and was convicted of violating California Vehicle  
14 Code Sections 23152(A) (driving under the influence of drugs or  
15 alcohol) and 23152(B) (driving with B.A.C. of 0.08% or more)  
16 with enhancement under Penal Code Section 23578 (refuse chem  
17 test/over .20 B.A.C.), misdemeanors. Said crimes involve moral  
18 turpitude and bear a substantial relationship under Section  
19 2910, Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations, to  
20 the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate  
21 licensee.  
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23 VII

24 The crimes of which Respondent was convicted, as  
25 alleged in Paragraphs III through VI above, constitute cause for  
26 denial of Respondent's application for a real estate license  
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1 under Business and Professions Code Sections 475(a)(2), 480(a)  
2 and 10177(b).

3 SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL  
4 (FAILURE TO REVEAL CONVICTIONS)

5 VIII

6 In response to Question 25 of the license application,  
7 to wit: "HAVE YOU EVER BEEN CONVICTED OF ANY VIOLATION OF LAW?  
8 CONVICTIONS EXPUNGED UNDER PENAL CODE SECTION 1203.4 MUST BE  
9 DISCLOSED. HOWEVER, YOU MAY OMIT MINOR TRAFFIC CITATIONS WHICH  
10 DO NOT CONSTITUTE A MISDEMEANOR OR FELONY OFFENSE", Respondent  
11 failed to reveal the convictions described in Paragraphs III  
12 through V above.

13 IX

14 Respondent's failure to disclose the convictions, as  
15 set forth in Paragraphs III through V above, in his license  
16 application, constitutes the attempt to procure a real estate  
17 license by fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit, or by making a  
18 false statement of material fact required to be revealed in said  
19 application, which is grounds for denial of the issuance of a  
20 license under Business and Professions Code Sections 475(a)(1),  
21 480(c) and/or 10177(a).


22 These proceedings are brought under the provisions of  
23 Section 10100, Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code  
24 of the State of California and Sections 11500 through 11528 of  
25 the California Government Code.  
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1 WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that the above-  
2 entitled matter be set for hearing and, upon proof of the  
3 charges contained herein, that the Commissioner refuse to  
4 authorize the issuance of, and deny the issuance of, a real  
5 estate salesperson license to Respondent, JOHN TOM PAPAGEORGE,  
6 and for such other and further relief as may be proper in the  
7 premises.

8 Dated at San Diego, California

9 this 30 day of February, 2007.

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13 JOSEPH AIU  
14 Deputy Real Estate Commissioner  
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25 cc: John Tom Papageorge  
26 Robert Edward Zuckerman/Valley Circle Estates Realty Co.  
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