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DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
BY:

BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG,

Respondent.

No. H-35641 LA

STIPULATION
AND
AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG (sometimes referred to as (Respondent), and the Complainant, acting by and through Elliott Mac Lennan, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation (Accusation) filed on January 22, 2009, in this matter:

1. All issues which were to be contested and all evidence which was to be presented by Complainant and Respondent at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing was to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative

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Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement ("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.
- pursuant to Section 11506 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 thereby waives 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 his defense the right to cross-examine witnesses.
  - 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondent chooses not to contest these allegations, but to remain silent and understands that, as a result thereof, these factual allegations, without being admitted or denied, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary

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action stipulated to herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove said factual allegations.

- 5. This Stipulation is made for the purpose of reaching an agreed disposition of this proceeding and is expressly limited to this proceeding and any other proceeding or case in which the Department of Real Estate ("Department"), the state or federal government, or any agency of this state, another state or federal government is involved, and otherwise shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceedings.
- Estate Commissioner may adopt this Stipulation as his Decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the "Order" herein below. In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, it shall be void and of no effect and Respondent shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made herein.
  - 7. 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 but do 1 constitute a bar, estoppel and merger as to any allegations 2 actually contained in the Accusations against Respondent herein. 3 DETERMINATION OF ISSUES By reason of the foregoing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made: The conduct of SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG, as described in 7 Paragraph 4, above, is in violation of Business and Professions 8 Code Sections 10130, 10131.1(c) and 10240(c), and is a basis for 9 discipline of Respondent's license and license rights as 10 violations of the Real Estate Law pursuant to Code Sections 11 12 10177(d), 10177(g) and 10177(h). 13 ORDER 14 WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made: 15 All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent 16 SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a 17 period of ninety (90) days from the effective date of this 18 Decision. 19 A. Provided, however, that if Respondent requests, the 20 initial thirty (30) days of said suspension (or a portion thereof) shall be stayed for two (2) years upon condition that: 22 1. Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to . 23 Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code at the rate 24 of \$100 per day for each day of the suspension for a total 25 26 monetary penalty of \$3,000. 27

Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's 1 check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of 2 the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be received by the Department prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter. 5 3. No further cause for disciplinary action against 6 the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years 7 from the effective date of the Decision in this matter. 8 4. If Respondent fails to pay the monetary penalty in 9 accordance with the terms of the Decision, the Commissioner may, 10 without a hearing, order the immediate execution of all or any 11 part of the stayed suspension, in which event the Respondent 12 shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or 13 14 otherwise, for money paid to the Department under the terms of 15 this Decision. 16 5. If Respondent pays the monetary penalty and if no 17 further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate 18 license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the 19 effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall 20 become permanent. 21 B. The remaining sixty (60) days of the ninety (90) 22 day suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the 23 following terms and conditions: 24 1. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and 25 regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of 26 27 - 5 -

a real estate licensee in the State of California; and

after hearing or upon stipulation, which cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years from the effective date of this Decision. Should such a determination be made, the Commissioner may, in his discretion, vacate and set aside the stay order and reimpose all or a portion of the stayed suspension. Should no such determination be made, the stay imposed herein shall become permanent.

effective date of the Decision herein, 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.

DATED: 7-24-09

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ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate

# EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

I have read the Stipulation. 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 hearing at which I would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against me and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

# MAILING AND FACSIMILE

Respondent (1) shall mail the original signed signature page of the stipulation herein to Elliott Mac Lennan: Attention: Legal Section, Department of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suito 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105. Additionally, Respondent shall also (2) facsimile a copy of signed signature page, to the Department at the following telephone/fax number: (213) 576-6917, Attention: Elliott Mac Lennan. A facsimile constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this stipulation.

Respondent agrees, acknowledges and understands that by electronically sending to the Department a facsimile copy of Respondent's actual signature as it appears on the stipulation that receipt of the facsimile copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Department had received the original signed stipulation.

DATED: 2/22/09

SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG, Respondent

The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to Respondent SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on September 23, 2009. 2009. IT IS SO ORDERED JEFF DAVI Real Estate Commissioner BY: Barbara J. Blgby Chief Deputy Commissioner 

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ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, SBN 66674 FILED Department of Real Estate 320 West 4th Street, Ste. 350 Los Angeles, California 90013-1105 JAN 2.2 2009 (213) 576-6911 (direct) Telephone: DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE (213) 576-6982 (office) -or-5 6 BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE 9 STATE OF CALIFORNIA 10 In the Matter of the Accusation of No. H- 35641 LA 11 <u>ACCUSATIQN</u> 12 SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG, 13 Respondent. 14 15 The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate 16 Commissioner of the State of California, acting in her official 17 capacity, for cause of Accusation against SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG, is 18 informed and alleges as follows: 19 1. 20 All references to the "Code" are to the California 21 Business and Professions Code and all references to "Regulations" 22 are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations or to 23 the California Financial Code. 24 /// 25 26

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#### LICENSE HISTORY

2.

At all times mentioned, SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG

("HWANG"), was licensed or had license rights issued by the

Department of Real Estate ("Department") as a real estate broker.

On January 18, 1995, HWANG was originally licensed as a real estate broker.

# LICENSED ACTIVITIES AND BROKERAGE

3.

At all times mentioned, in the City of Fullerton,
County of Los Orange, HWANG acted as real estate broker and
conducted licensed activities within the meaning of Code Section
10131(d). HWANG operated a mortgage and loan brokerage dba
Citimac Capital Corporation, an unlicensed fictitious business
name and unlicensed corporation.

# AUDIT EXAMINATION

4.

On July 28, 2008, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of HWANG, pertaining to the mortgage loan activities described in Paragraph 3, that require a real estate license. The audit examination covered a period of time beginning on May 1, 2005 to April 30, 2008. The audit examination revealed violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth below, and more fully discussed in Audit Report LA 070306 and the exhibits and workpapers attached thereto.

#### TRUST ACCOUNT

5.

At all times mentioned, in connection with the activities described in Paragraph 4, HWANG did not maintain a trust account.

# VIOLATIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW

6.

With respect to the licensed activities referred to in Paragraph 3, and the audit examination including the exhibits and workpapers referred to in Paragraph 4, it is alleged that HWANG:

(a) With respect to the eighteen Kim Family loans secured by liens on five residential real properties:

- 5551 Monticello Ave., Buena Park
- 2272 Yarbough Dr., Fullerton
- 2067 Hetebrink St., Fullerton
- 1440 Starbuck St., Fullerton
- 1405 Starbuck St., Fullerton

HWANG failed to provide final settlement statements, HUD-1, to the Kim Family, in violation of Code Section 10177(g)

(b) dba Citimac Capital Corporation engaged as a principal in the business of making or arranging eight (8) or more loans in a calendar year during the audit period from HWANG's own funds to the public when those loans are held and secured by liens on residential real property without first obtaining a license from the Department for Citimac Capital

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Corporation, in violation of Code Sections 10130 and 10131.1(c); and

(c) Failed to provide or retain a true and correct copy

of a Good Faith Estimate that satisfies the requirements of the Real Estate Settlement Procedures Act of 1974 (12 U.S.C.A 2601 et seq.), that (1) sets forth the broker's real estate license number; and (2) a clear and conspicuous statement on the face of the document stating that the Good Faith Estimate does not constitute a loan commitment; and, further sets forth all applicable disclosures, signed by the broker, for the Kim Family borrowers, Do Yoon Kim, Jung Taek Kim and Deborah Kim, in violation of Code Section 10240(c).

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# DISCIPLINARY STATUTES AND REGULATIONS

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The conduct of Respondent HWANG described in Paragraph 6, above, violated the Code and the Regulations as set forth:

18	<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
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20	6(a)	Code Section 10177(g)
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23	6 (b)	Code Sections 10130 and 10131.1(c)
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26	6(c)	Code Section 10240(c)
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Each of the foregoing violations constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent HWANG under the provisions of Code Sections 10177(d) and/or 10177(g).

8.

Used the fictitious name of "Citimac Capital Corporation" to conduct licensed activities including mortgage and loan brokering without holding a license bearing said fictitious business name, in violation of Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731.

#### NEGLIGENCE

9.

The overall conduct of Respondent HWANG constitutes negligence or incompetence. This conduct and violation are cause for the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and license rights of Respondent pursuant to Code Section 10177(g).

### LACK OF SUPERVISION AND COMPLIANCE

10.

The overall conduct of HWANG constitutes a failure to exercise supervision and control over the licensed activities of Respondent's brokerage. Nor did HWANG maintain a system in place for regularly monitoring his compliance with the Real Estate Law especially in regard to establishing policies to review trust fund handling and record keeping for his client's trust funds or for supervising salesperson and loan agents, in violation of Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(h).

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 the license and license rights of Respondent SIMON JAEYEUN HWANG, under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code) and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California

this 20 day of January 2009.

Simon Jaeyeun Hwang cc: Robin Trujillo Sacto

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