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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

No. H-37796 LA

VERONICA HUESO, doing business as)

Paramount Financial Services.

ORDER TO DESIST

AND REFRAIN

(B&P Code Section 10086)

The Commissioner ("Commissioner") of the California Department of Real Estate ("Department") caused an investigation to be made of the activities of VERONICA HUESO ("HUESO"), doing business as Paramount Financial Services. Based on that investigation the Commissioner has determined that HUESO has engaged in, is engaging in acts, attempting to engage in the business of, acting in the capacity of, and/or advertising or assuming to act as a real estate broker in the State of California within the meaning of Business and Professions Code Sections 10131(d) (solicit borrowers for or negotiate loans or perform services for borrowers in connection with loans secured by liens on real property) and 10131.2 (engage in the business of claiming, demanding, charging, receiving, collecting or contracting for the collection of an advance fee in connection with offering to obtain a loan real property).

In addition, based on that investigation, the Commissioner has determined that HUESO has engaged in or is engaging in acts or is attempting to engage practices constituting

violations of the California Business and Professions Code ("Code") and/or Title 10, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations"). Based on the findings of that investigation, set forth below, the Commissioner hereby issues the following Findings of Fact, Conclusions of Law, and Desist and Refrain Order under the authority of Section 10086 of the Code.

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All further references to Paramount Financial Services include HUESO as well as the officers, agents and employees of Paramount Financial Services. HUESO engaged in the activities set forth below while doing business as Paramount Financial Services and any other fictitious business name(s) not known at this time.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. At no time have Paramount Financial Services or HUESO ever been licensed by the Department in any capacity.
- 2. On August 17, 2008, HUESO filed a fictitious business name statement for Paramount Financial Services with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk.
- 3. At all times mentioned herein, in the County of Los Angeles, HUESO engaged in the business of a real estate broker conducting activities requiring a real estate license within the meaning of Code Sections 10131(d) and 10131.2. For compensation or in expectation of compensation and for fees often collected in advance, HUESO solicited borrowers by offering to conduct negotiations and modifications in connection with loans secured by real property.
- 4. On or around April 30, 2009, HUESO solicited loan modification and negotiation services in connection with a loan secured by liens on real property to Sandra B. Sandra B. paid \$2,500 in advance fees to Paramount Financial Services for loan negotiation and modification services. Sandra B. did not obtain a loan modification through Paramount Financial Services or HUESO.
- 5. On or around December 18, 2009, HUESO solicited loan modification and negotiation services in connection with a loan secured by liens on real property to Ramon S. Ramon S. paid \$2,000 in advance fees to Paramount Financial Services for loan negotiation and modification services. Ramon S. did not obtain a loan modification through Paramount

Financial Services or HUESO.

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

6. Based on the information contained in Paragraphs 1 through 5, above, VERONICA HUESO, doing business as Paramount Financial Services, violated Code Section 10130 by engaging in activities requiring a real estate license without first obtaining a broker license from the Department.

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER

Based on the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated herein, you, VERONICA HUESO, whether doing business under your own name, or any other name or fictitious name, ARE HEREBY ORDERED to immediately desist and refrain from performing any acts within the State of California for which a real estate broker license is required. In particular, you are ORDERED TO DESIST AND REFRAIN FROM:

- 1. charging, demanding, claiming, collecting and/or receiving advance fees, as that term is defined in Section 10026 of the Code, in any form, and under any conditions, with respect to the performance of loan modifications or any other form of mortgage loan forbearance service in connection with loans on residential property containing four or fewer dwelling units; and
- charging, demanding, claiming, collecting and/or receiving advance fees,
 as that term is defined in Section 10026 of the Code, for any other real estate related services
 offered by you to others.

DATED: $\frac{12}{7}$, 2011.

BARBARA J. BIGBY Acting Real Estate Commissioner

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Notice: Business and Professions Code Section 10139 provides that "Any person acting as a real estate broker or real estate salesperson without a license or who advertises using words indicating that he or she is a real estate broker without being so licensed shall be guilty of a public offense punishable by a fine not exceeding twenty thousand dollars (\$20,000), or by imprisonment in the county jail for a term not to exceed six months, or by both fine and imprisonment; or if a corporation, be punished by a fine not exceeding sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)."

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