Department of Real Estate 320 W. 4th St., Room 350 Los Angeles, California 90013

In the Matter of the Accusation of)

dba Sterling Loan Solutions

and HENRY PHELPS MACLEAN

STERLING INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC.

individually and as

Solutions, Inc.

designated officer of Sterling Investment

Telephone: (213) 576-6982

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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

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STIPULATION AND AGREEMENT

Respondents.

It is hereby stipulated by and between STERLING INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. and HENRY PHELPS MACLEAN (sometimes referred to as Respondents), and their attorney, David W. Reid, and the Complainant, acting by and through James R. Peel, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation filed on February 10, 2012, in this matter.

1. All issues which were contested and all evidence which was presented by Complainant and Respondents at a formal hearing on the Accusation, which hearing is to be held in accordance with the provisions of the Administrative 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. Respondents have received, read and understand the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the Administrative Procedure Act ("APA") and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. On February 22, 2012, Respondents filed a Notice of Defense pursuant to Section 11506 of the Government Code for the purpose of requesting a hearing on the allegations in the Accusation. Respondents hereby freely and voluntarily withdraw said Notice of Defense. Respondents acknowledge that they understand that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense they will thereby waive their rights 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 they will waive other rights afforded to them in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in defense of the allegations in the Accusation and the right to cross-examine witnesses.

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- 4. This Stipulation is based on the factual allegations contained in the Accusation filed in this proceeding. In the interest of expedience and economy, Respondents choose not to contest these factual allegations, but to remain silent and understand that, as a result thereof, these factual statements, will serve as a prima facie basis for the disciplinary action stipulated to herein. The Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence to prove such 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 an agency of this state, another state or the federal government is involved.
- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt the Stipulation as his decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondents' real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in the below "Order". In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation, the Stipulation shall be void and of no effect, and Respondents shall retain the right to a hearing and proceeding on the Accusation under all the provisions of the APA and shall not be bound by any stipulation or waiver made herein.

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 conduct which was not specifically alleged to be causes for accusation in this proceeding.

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing stipulations and waivers and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondents STERLING INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. and HENRY PHELPS MACLEAN as set forth in the Accusation, constitute cause for the suspension or revocation of all of the real estate licenses and license rights of Respondents under the provisions of Section 10177(q) of the Business and Professions Code ("Code").

ORDER

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondents STERLING INVESTMENT SOLUTIONS, INC. and HENRY PHELPS MACLEAN under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of thirty days from the effective date of this Decision.

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1. Provided, however, that 30 days of said suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years, upon the following terms and conditions:

- a. Respondents shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and
- b. That no final subsequent determination be made, after hearing or upon stipulation that cause for disciplinary action occurred within two (2) years of 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.
- 2. Respondent MACLEAN shall, within six months from the effective date of this Decision, 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.
- 3. The licenses and licensing rights of Respondents are indefinitely suspended unless and until they pay \$8,000 to Felicia Cabada-Pena, and submit satisfactory proof to the Department of Real Estate. Any such proof shall be submitted to Real Estate Counsel James Peel.

Oct. 26, 2012

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W have read the Stipulation and Agreement, discussed it with counsel, and its terms are understood by us and are agreeable and acceptable to us. We understand that we are waiving rights given to us by the California Administrative Procedure Act (including but not limited to Sections 11506, 11508, 11509 and 11513 of the Government Code), and we 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 we would have the right to cross-examine witnesses against us and to present evidence in defense and mitigation of the charges.

Respondents can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by faxing a copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondents, to the Department at the following telephone/fax number: (213) 576-6917. Respondents agree, acknowledge and understand that by electronically sending to the Department a fax copy of his or her actual signature as it appears on the Stipulation and Agreement, that receipt of the faxed copy by the Department shall be as binding on Respondents as if the Department had received the original signed Stipulation and Agreement.

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