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BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

MSRE INC., doing business as

Main Street Realty; and

MALTER A. ZDAZINSKY,
individually and as designated officer of MSRE Inc.,

Respondents,

BRE No. H-38633 LA
OAH No. L-201320356

STIPULATION
AND
AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, individually and as designated officer of MSRE Inc., (sometimes referred to as "Respondent"), represented by Frank M. Buda, Esq. and the Complainant, acting by and through Elliott Mac Lennan, Counsel for the Bureau of Real Estate, as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the First Amended Accusation ("Accusation") filed on December 28, 2012, 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 Procedure Act ("APA"), shall instead and in place thereof be submitted solely on the basis of the provisions of this Stipulation and Agreement ("Stipulation").

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- 2. Respondent has received, read and understands the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Bureau of Real Estate in this proceeding.
- 3. Respondent timely 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. 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 and 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 understand that, as a result thereof, these factual allegations, without being admitted or denied, 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 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 Bureau of Real Estate ("Bureau"), the state or federal government, or any agency of this state, another state or federal government is involved.
- 6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt this Stipulation as his Decision in this matter thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate license and license rights as set forth in the "Order" herein below. In the event that the Commissioner in the Commissioner's 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 Bureau of Real Estate with respect to any matters which were not specifically alleged to be causes for Accusation in this proceeding but do constitute a bar, estoppel and merger as to any allegations actually contained in the Accusation against Respondent herein.

- 8. Respondent understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation, Respondent agrees to pay pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 10148, the cost of the audit. The amount of said cost for the original audit of MSRE Inc. is \$6,490.09.
- 9. Respondent has received, read, and understands the "Notice Concerning Costs of Subsequent Audit". Respondent further understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation, the findings set forth below in the Determination of Issues become final, and the Commissioner may charge Respondent for the cost of any subsequent audit conducted pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 10148 to determine if the violations have been corrected. The maximum cost of the follow-up audit will not exceed \$6,490.09.
- 10. Respondent understands that by agreeing to this Stipulation, Respondent agrees to pay, pursuant to Business and Professions Code Section 10106, the cost of the investigation and enforcement of this matter. The amount of said cost is \$2,091.00

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

By reason of the foregoing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

I.

The conduct, acts or omissions of WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, as described in Paragraph 4, herein above, are in violation of Section 10145 of the Business and Professions Code ("Code") and Sections 2831, 2831.1, and 2831.2 of Title 10, Chapter 6 of the California

Code of Regulations ("Regulations") and is a basis for discipline of Respondent's license and license rights as a violation of the Real Estate Law pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) and 10177(h).

ORDER

WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

I.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, under the Real Estate Law are suspended for a period of sixty (60) days from the effective date of this Decision:

- A. Provided, however, that if Respondent requests, the initial thirty (30) days of said suspension (or a portion thereof) shall be stayed for two (2) years upon condition that:
- 1. Respondent pays a monetary penalty pursuant to Section 10175.2 of the Business and Professions Code at the rate of \$83.33 per day for each day of the suspension for a total monetary penalty of \$2,500.
- 2. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Recovery Account of the Real Estate Fund. Said check must be received by the Bureau prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter.
- 3. No further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision in this matter.
- 4. If Respondent fails to pay the monetary penalty in accordance with the terms of the Decision, the Commissioner may, without a hearing, order the immediate execution of all or any part of the stayed suspension, in which event the Respondent shall not be entitled to any repayment nor credit, prorated or otherwise, for money paid to the Bureau under the terms of this

this Decision.

5. If Respondent pays the monetary penalty and if no further cause for disciplinary action against the real estate license of Respondent occurs within two (2) years from the effective date of the Decision, the stay hereby granted shall become permanent.

B. The remaining thirty (30) days of the sixty (60) day suspension shall be stayed for two (2) years upon the following terms and conditions:

1. Respondent shall obey all laws, rules and regulations governing the rights, duties and responsibilities of a real estate licensee in the State of California; and

2. That no final subsequent determination be made after hearing or upon stipulation, that 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.

II.

Pursuant to Section 10148 of the Business and Professions Code, Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable cost for (a) the cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action and (b) a subsequent audit to determine if WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY is now in compliance with the Real Estate Law. The cost of the audit which led to this disciplinary action is \$6,490.09. In calculating the amount of the Commissioner's reasonable cost, the Commissioner may use the estimated average hourly salary for all persons performing audits of real estate brokers, and shall include an allocation for travel time to and from the auditor's place of work. Said amount for the prior and subsequent audits shall not exceed \$12,980.18. Respondent shall pay such cost within 60 days of receiving an invoice

from the Commissioner detailing the activities performed during the audit and the amount of time spent performing those activities.

The Commissioner may suspend the license of Respondent pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., of the Government Code, if payment is not timely made as provided for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent agreement between the Respondent and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect until payment is made in full or until Respondent enters into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

III.

Pursuant to Section 10106 of the Business and Professions Code, Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, shall pay the Commissioner's reasonable cost for investigation and enforcement of the matter within sixty (60) days after the effective date of this Decision. The investigation and enforcement cost which led to this disciplinary action is \$2,091.00.

The Commissioner may suspend the license of Respondent pending a hearing held in accordance with Section 11500, et seq., of the Government Code, if payment is not timely made as provided for herein, or as provided for in a subsequent agreement between the Respondent and the Commissioner. The suspension shall remain in effect until payment is made in full or until Respondent enters into an agreement satisfactory to the Commissioner to provide for payment, or until a decision providing otherwise is adopted following a hearing held pursuant to this condition.

IV.

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, are

indefinitely suspended unless or until Respondent provides proof satisfactory to the Commissioner, of having taken and successfully completed the continuing education course on

trust fund accounting and handling specified in paragraph (3) of subdivision (a) of Section

10170.5 of the Business and Professions Code. Proof of satisfaction of this requirement includes evidence that respondent has successfully completed the trust fund account and handling continuing education course within 120 days prior to the effective date of the Decision in this matter.

V.

Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY shall, within nine (9) months from the effective date of this Decision, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that Respondent has, since the most recent issuance of an original or renewal real estate license, taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements of Article 2.5 of Chapter 3 of the Real Estate Law for renewal of a real estate license. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order the suspension of the Respondent's license until Respondent presents such evidence. The Commissioner shall afford Respondent the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to present such evidence.

VI.

During the two (2) period above, Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY shall not serve as the designated broker at any California corporate real estate broker unless and until Respondent is the sole owner of record of the shares of the corporation.

VII.

Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY shall, within six (6) months from the effective date of this Stipulation, present evidence satisfactory to the Real Estate Commissioner that:

(A) With respect to the \$34,496.93 in funds contained in BA1 and BA2 described Audit Report SD 120004/SD 120007, Respondent shall:

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(6) If the Commissioner determines that proof to be unsatisfactory and that reasonable efforts have not been made to locate the beneficiaries, the Commissioner may, by separate order, suspend Respondent's license for thirty (30 days).

(C) Respondent shall first attempt to satisfy the requirements of (A)(1)(a) and, if not successful therein, shall then seek to satisfy condition (A)(1)(b) to comply with the terms of the Stipulation. The Commissioner may order the suspension of Respondent Zdazinsky's license in the event Respondent fails to present such evidence. The Commissioner shall afford Respondent the opportunity for a hearing pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act to present such evidence prior to any suspension.

VIII.

All proof required by this Order, shall be sent to the attention of Elliott Mac Lennan, Counsel, Legal Section, Bureau of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105.

DATED: 02.14.14

ELLIOTT MAC LENNAN, Counsel for Bureau of Real Estate

EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION

I have read the Stipulation and Agreement and discussed it with my attorney. 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 <u>mail</u> the original signed signature page of the stipulation herein to Elliott Mac Lennan: Attention: Legal Section, Bureau of Real Estate, 320 W. Fourth St., Suite 350, Los Angeles, California 90013-1105. Respondent shall also (2) facsimile a copy of signed signature page, to the Bureau at the following fax number: (213) 576-6917, Attention: Elliott Mac Lennan, Esq. A facsimile constitutes acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this stipulation. Respondent agrees, acknowledge and understand that by electronically sending to the Bureau a facsimile copy of Respondent's actual signature as it appears on the stipulation that receipt of the facsimile copy by the Bureau shall be as binding on Respondent as if the Bureau had received the original signed stipulation. FRANK M. BUDA, ESO. Attorney for Respondent ///

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The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision as to Respondent WALTER A. ZDAZINSKY, and shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on OCT 1 9 , 2015.

IT IS SO ORDERED SEPTEMBER 23, 2015.

Real Estate Gerdnissioner

By: JEFFREY MASON Chief Deputy Commissioner