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BEFORE THE BUREAU OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of) Calbre No. H-39063 LA)

MARTHA HERNANDEZ, A C C U S A T I O N

Respondent.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation

against MARTHA HERNANDEZ ("Respondent"), is informed and alleges

as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.

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Respondent is currently licensed by the Bureau (formerly Department) of Real Estate ("Bureau") as a real estate salesperson, License ID 01783324. Respondent was originally licensed as a real estate salesperson on December 11, 2006. From December 27, 2007, through September 19, 2010, Respondent was licensed under the employment of broker Omega National Funding & Realty, Inc. From September 20, 2010, through February 20, 2011, Respondent was licensed under the employment of broker Rokitto Enterprises, Inc. From August 15, 2011, through January 15, 2012, Respondent was licensed under the employment of broker Omega National Funding & Realty, Inc.

3.

Respondent is married to Jose Hernandez. Jose Hernandez has never been licensed by the Bureau in any capacity.

4.

Bursatil Home Finance, Inc. ("Bursatil") is a California corporation that was formed on or about December 29, 2008. Respondent and her husband, Jose Hernandez, are officers and directors of Bursatil. Bursatil was licensed by the Bureau as a corporate real estate broker from January 27, 2009, through January 26, 2013. Bursatil's license expired on January 27, 2013.

Hernandez, caused a fictitious business name statement to be

Bernardino for use of the fictitious business name: Debt Trust

filed with the County Clerk's Office for the County of San

On August 19, 2010, Respondent and her husband, Jose

Solutions.

6.

All references to the "Code" are to the California Business and Professions Code and all references to "Regulations" are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

7.

Code Section 10131 defines a real estate broker as a person who: (a) sells or offers to sell, buys or offers to buy, solicits prospective sellers or purchasers of, solicits or obtains listing of, or negotiates the purchase, sale or exchange of real property or a business opportunity; or (d) solicits borrowers, negotiates loans, collects payments or performs services for borrowers in connection with loans secured directly or collaterally by liens on real property.

8.

Code Section 10132 defines a real estate salesperson as a person who, for compensation or in expectation of compensation, is employed by a licensed real estate broker to do

one or more of the acts set forth in Sections 10131, 10131.1, 10131.2, 10131.3, 10131.4, and 10131.6.

Code Section 10137 prohibits any salesperson from accepting compensation from any person other than the broker under whom he or she is at the time licensed.

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9.

Code Section 10085.5 states that is unlawful for any person to claim, demand, charge, receive, collect, or contract for an advance fee (1) for soliciting lenders on behalf of borrowers or performing services for borrowers in connection with loans to be secured directly or collaterally by a lien on real property, before the borrower becomes obligated to complete the loan or, (2) for performing any other activities for which a license is required, unless the person is a licensed real estate broker and has complied with certain provisions.

11.

Code Section 10085.6 states that it shall be unlawful for any licensee who negotiates, attempts to negotiate, arranges, attempts to arrange, or otherwise offers to perform a mortgage loan modification or other form of mortgage loan forbearance for a fee or other compensation paid by the borrower, to (a) claim, demand, charge, collect, or receive any compensation until after the licensee has fully performed each

and every service the licensee contracted to perform or represented that he, she, or it would perform.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Unlicensed Activity/Fraud/Dishonest Dealing)

12.

On or about February 1, 2011, Respondent and Jose
Hernandez solicited foreclosure forbearance, loan modification
and negotiation and/or short sale services to Cipriano A.
Cipriano A. owned a residential property located on Sastre
Avenue in the City of El Monte, California, that was facing
foreclosure. Cipriano A. also needed assistance with loan
modification and/or short sale services for two properties
located on Woodville Drive, in the City of El Monte, California.

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On February 1, 2011, Respondent charged and collected an advance fee payment of \$3,000 via a personal check #791 from Cipriano A. for foreclosure forbearance services on the Sastre Avenue property.

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On February 2, 2011, Respondent charged and collected an advance fee payment in the amount of \$5,000 via a personal check #792 from Cipriano A. for foreclosure forbearance and/or loan modification services.

On February 14, 2011, Respondent collected \$20,000 from Cipriano A. Respondent was supposed to place the \$20,000 in escrow on behalf of Cipriano A. for the purchase of a property by Cipriano A. Respondent never provided Cipriano A. with proof that she had placed the funds in escrow.

16.

On February 28, 2011, Respondent collected another advance fee payment of \$2,500 via a personal check #795 from Cipriano A. for foreclosure forbearance, loan modification and/or short sale services. On March 24, 2011, Respondent instructed Cipriano A. to make a payment of \$1,000 via a personal check #808 made payable to Carlos Robles in connection with the foreclosure forbearance, loan modification and/or short sale services for Cipriano A.'s properties. Respondent charged or collected a total of \$31,500 from Cipriano A.

17.

Respondent never provided the foreclosure forbearance, loan modification and negotiation and/or short sale services that were promised to Cipriano A. Respondent failed to provide any accounting of how she handled the advance fee payments or earnest money deposit that she collected from Cipriano A. Respondent failed to refund any amount of the \$31,500 that she

charged or collected from Cipriano A. for activities that require a real estate license.

18.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent
MARTHA HERNANDEZ as set forth above in Paragraphs 12 through 17,
are in violation of Code Sections 10085.5, 10085.6, 10130 and
10137, and are cause for the suspension or revocation of the
license and license rights of Respondent MARTHA HERNANDEZ
pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) (violation of the Real Estate
Law) and/or 10177(g) (negligence).

19.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent
MARTHA HERNANDEZ as set forth above in Paragraphs 12 through 17,
constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation of the
license and license rights of Respondent MARTHA HERNANDEZ
pursuant to Code Section 10176(i) (conduct which constitutes
fraud or dishonest dealing).

SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Unlicensed Activity/Fraud/Dishonest Dealing)

20.

There is hereby incorporated in this Second, separate and distinct Cause of Accusation, all of the allegations contained in Paragraphs 1 through 19, with the same force and effect as if herein fully set forth.

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Rolando Rosales and Jose Hernandez, both unlicensed persons, solicited and offered to perform loan modification and negotiation services and resale services to Jose M. in connection with a property located on Park Avenue in the City of Pomona, California. Rolando Rosales and Jose Hernandez claimed to be acting as agents on behalf of Bursatil and Debt Trust Solutions. On November 11, 2010, Jose M. executed an agreement with Bursatil for \$7,000 for services in connection with a loan secured by a lien on real property.

22.

On November 11, 2010, Debt Trust Solutions charged and collected two advance fee payments totaling \$1,480 from Jose M. On November 16, 2010, Debt Trust Solutions charged and collected two advance fee payments totaling \$1,020 from Jose M. December 06, 2010, Debt Trust Solutions charged and collected an advance fee payment of \$1,000 from Jose M. On December 30, 2010, Debt Trust Solutions charged and collected an advance fee payment of \$500 from Jose M. Debt Trust Solutions charged and collected a total of \$4,000 from Jose M.

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Jose M. was instructed by Jose Hernandez and Rolando Rosales to sign a quitclaim deed on his Park Avenue property to Juan Jose Gomez and Javier Hernandez.

24.

Respondent's companies, Bursatil and/or Debt Trust Solutions, never provided the services that were promised to Jose M. Debt Trust Solutions failed to provide any accounting of how it handled the advance fee payments collected from Jose M. Jose M. requested a refund of his advance fee payments from Debt Trust Solutions. On April 4, 2011, Jose M. received a check from Debt Trust Solutions for \$4,000. The check was drawn from an account with insufficient funds. On December 27, 2011, a Notice of Entry of Judgment was filed before the Superior Court of California, County of San Bernardino, Small Claims No. SMC RS1102172, in favor of Jose M. and against Jose Hernandez and Debt Trust Solutions for \$4,015.24.

25.

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent
MARTHA HERNANDEZ, while doing business as Bursatil and/or Debt
Trust Solutions, as set forth above in Paragraphs 20 through 24,
violate Code Sections 10085.5, 10085.6, 10130, 10137, 10159.5,
and Regulation 2731, and are cause for the suspension or
revocation of the license and license rights of Respondent

MARTHA HERNANDEZ pursuant to Code Sections 10177(d) (violation of the Real Estate Law) and/or 10177(g) (negligence).

26.

Respondent's conduct, acts and/or omissions of
Respondent MARTHA HERNANDEZ, while doing business as Bursatil
and/or Debt Trust Solutions, as set forth above in Paragraphs 21
through 24, constitute grounds for the suspension or revocation
of the license and license rights of Respondent MARTHA HERNANDEZ
pursuant to Code Section 10176(i) (conduct which constitutes
fraud or dishonest dealing).

27.

Code Section 10106 provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the Bureau of Real Estate, the Commissioner may request the administrative law judge to direct a licensee found to have committed a violation of this part to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

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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 all licenses and/or license rights of Respondent MARTHA HERNANDEZ under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code), for the cost of investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other provisions of law. Dated at Los Angeles, California day of September, 2013.

MARIA SUAREZ

Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

cc: Maria Suarez Sacto