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| | JORGE LUNA |) | |
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| | |) (] | B&P Code Section 10086) |
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The Commissioner ("Commissioner") of the California Bureau of Real Estate

("Bureau" or "BRE") caused an investigation to be made of the activities of JORGE LUNA

("LUNA"). Based on that investigation, the Commissioner has determined that LUNA and/or
any other fictitious business names used by LUNA, including but not limited to: Property

Management Investment, America Mortgage and Realty, and/or AMC Escrow, has engaged in, is
engaging in, or is attempting to engage in, acts or practices constituting violations of the

California Business and Professions Code ("Code"), including violating Code Section 10130 by
engaging 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: (1) Code Section 10131(a), by
selling or offering to sell, buying or offering to buy, soliciting prospective sellers or purchasers
of, soliciting or obtaining listings of, or negotiating the purchase, sale or exchange of real

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property or a business opportunity ("real estate sales") and (2) Code Section 10131(b), by leasing or renting or offering to lease or rent, or placing for rent, or soliciting listings of places to rent, or soliciting for prospective tenants, or negotiating the sale, purchase or exchanges of leases on real property, or on a business opportunity, or collecting rent from real property, or improvements thereon, or from business opportunities ("property management"). Based on the findings of that investigation, as 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.

Whenever acts referred to below are attributed to LUNA, those acts are alleged to have been done by LUNA, acting by himself, or by and/or through one or more agents, associates, affiliates, and/or co-conspirators, and using the name JORGE LUNA, or other names or fictitious names unknown at this time.

FINDINGS OF FACT

BRE License History

1. JORGE LUNA ("LUNA") is not presently licensed by the Bureau in any capacity. LUNA was previously licensed under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Code) as a real estate salesperson ("RES"), BRE license ID 01810048. From August 27, 2009 to June 3, 2015, LUNA's employer of record was real estate broker ("REB") Walter A. Zdazinsky. LUNA's RES license expired on June 3, 2015. LUNA's license rights were suspended indefinitely on or about March 30, 2017 pursuant to CalBRE R-05496. At the time of LUNA's RES license expiration, his BRE address of record was: 16426 Iris Dr., Fontana, CA 92335 ("Iris address").

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2. Walter A. Zdazinsky ("Zdazinsky") is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Code) as a REB, BRE license ID 01775979. From October 13, 2009 to October 25, 2015, American Realty and Mortgage was an active DBA under Zdazinsky's REB license. Presently, Zdazinsky holds no active DBAs under his REB license.

3. Property Management Investment

Property Management Investment ("PMI"), a.k.a. PMI Group is not now and has never been licensed by the Bureau in any capacity. On or about December 5, 2007, PMI filed with the San Bernardino Auditor/Controller/Recorder a Fictitious Business Name ("FBN") Statement that listed LUNA as its Registrant and the Iris address as its business, mailing and Registrant's address, FBN Number 20070018806; this filing expired on December 3, 2012. On or about September 23, 2015, PMI filed with the San Bernardino Auditor/Controller/Recorder another FBN Statement that listed LUNA as its Registrant, the Iris address as LUNA's address, and 1255 W. Colton Ave., Suite 538, Colton, CA 92374 ("Colton address") as its business address, FBN Number 20150010652; this filing will expire on September 23, 2020.

4. America Mortgage and Realty

America Mortgage and Realty ("AMR") is not now and has never been licensed by the Bureau in any capacity.

5. AMC Escrow

AMC Escrow ("AMC") is not now and has never been licensed by the Bureau in any capacity.

Complainant Jessica B. N.

6. On or about November 17, 2015, the BRE received a Licensing/Subdivider Complaint (RE 519 (Rev. 6/15)) from property owner Jessica B. N. regarding a property management agreement between herself and PMI ("Jessica N. Complaint") for management of

Jessica B. N.'s real property located at 346 S. College Ave., Claremont, California ("346 College property"). The Jessica B. N. Complaint referenced the property management activities of both PMI and LUNA on behalf of Jessica B. N., including PMI's collection of rent.

- 7. According to the Property Management Agreement ("PMA") of October 9, 2013, AMR was to manage Jessica B.N.'s 346 College property for the period October 10, 2013 through October 31, 2014, for a flat monthly management fee of \$49.95, plus fifty percent (50%) of the first month's rent and, in the event of an eviction, a \$150.00 processing fee and court filing fees; additionally, a monthly fee of \$49.95 would be charged in the event that AMR managed the 346 College property during extended periods of vacancy. LUNA was listed as the agent for "Real Estate Broker (Firm") AMR, and AMR's address on the PMA was the Colton address. AMR and Luna were also listed as the Listing Agent on the Lead-Based Paint and Lead-Based Paint Hazards Disclosure (C.A.R. Form FLD, Rev. 11/10) and the Disclosure Regarding Real Estate Agency Relationship (C.A.R. Form AD, Rev. 11/12).
- 8. According to the Residential Lease or Month-To-Month Rental Agreement signed by tenant Danielle A. F. on or about June 12, 2015 and Jessica B. N. on or about June 19, 2015, rent and security deposit funds were to be paid to PMI, whose address was listed as the Colton address.
- 9. On or about June 19, 2015, Jessica B.N. emailed LUNA at americanmortgageandrealty@live.com ("AMR email") with questions regarding the 346 College property, including an inquiry regarding: the security deposits from the prior and current tenants; advance rent payments; and the "missing april [sic] 2014 payment." On or about August 20, 2015, Jessica B.N. emailed LUNA a follow-up and asked about rent payments that were missing for March, July and August of 2015. In his response on or about August 21, 2015, LUNA indicated that, "Accounting has confirmed error will be emailing you revise statements disbursements shortly. [sic] Management fee for July and August will be waived."

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14. Zdazinsky, who was LUNA's REB of record from August 27, 2009 to June 3, 2015 (LUNA's RES expiration), had no knowledge of LUNA's property management activities over the 346 College property, until the BRE commenced its investigation of LUNA.

First Zdazinsky Complaint (Complainant Ryan L.)

15. On or about March 20, 2016, the BRE received a Licensing/Subdivider Complaint (RE 519 (Rev. 6/15)) from REB Zdazinsky regarding an inquiry from RES Garrett Jones ("Jones"), BRE License ID 01713958 of LUNA's contact information and whereabouts ("First Zdazinsky Complaint"). The Zdazinsky Complaint referenced two properties listed for short sale by LUNA for which Jones' colleague, Ryan L., as Downcycle LLC, submitted offers: (1) 14557 Unity Ct., Moreno Valley, CA 92553 ("Unity Ct.") and (2) the property located at the Iris address ("Iris").

16. <u>Unity Ct.</u>: On or about November 25, 2014, Downcycle LLC ("Downcycle") submitted an offer for the Unity Ct. property to Selling Agent LUNA and AMR. Subsequent to Downcycle's offer, LUNA informed that the seller required an earnest money deposit in the amount of \$5,000 to be deposited to AMC Escrow. According to the Addendum, "Buyers earnest money deposit to go hard and deposit to Escrow upon execution of offer. (Subject to short sale approval if offer is decline or cancel buyers FULL DEPOSIT WILL BE REFUNDED. [sic]" Pursuant to wire instructions on AMC letterhead (bearing the Colton address), on or about December 8, 2014, Downcycle wired \$5,000 to AMC's Bank of America account number #######1208 as EMD for the Unity Ct. property purchase.

17. <u>Iris</u>: On or about January 29, 2015, Downcycle LLC ("Downcycle") submitted an offer for the Iris address to Selling Agent LUNA and AMR. Subsequent to Downcycle's offer, LUNA informed that the seller required an earnest money deposit in the amount of \$5,000 to be deposited to AMC Escrow. According to the Addendum, "Buyers earnest money deposit to go hard and deposit to Escrow upon execution of offer. . (If short sale is denied by lien

holder, cancel by seller or final approved price not accepted by both buyer and seller, buyers FULL deposit will be refunded without fee or charge. [sic]" Pursuant to wire instructions on AMC letterhead (bearing the Colton address), on or about March 5, 2015, Downcycle wired \$5,000 to AMC's Bank of America account number ######1208 as EMD for the Iris property purchase.

18. Subsequent to each offer and each EMD, neither the Unity Ct. transaction nor the Iris transaction completed. Jones and Ryan L. remained in contact with Respondent until the end of calendar year 2015, after which Respondent became unreachable. To date, Ryan L. has been unable to locate Respondent and has not received a refund of the \$10,000 EMDs collected by LUNA and AMC for Unity Ct. and Iris.

19. Zdazinsky, who was LUNA's REB of record from August 27, 2009 to June 3, 2015 (LUNA's RES expiration), had no knowledge of LUNA's Unity Ct. and Iris transactions with Ryan L., until the BRE commenced its investigation of LUNA.

Second Zdazinsky Complaint (Complainant Ian G./Griffin Residential)

20. On or about August 17, 2016, the BRE received an online Enforcement Complaint REB Zdazinsky regarding an inquiry from Ian G./ Griffin Residential ("Griffin") regarding an offer submitted by Griffin on or about December 2, 2014 to LUNA and AMR to purchase a short sale property located at 14557 Unity Ct., Moreno Valley, CA 92553 (same Unity Ct. address as described above in paragraph 14). ("Second Zdazinsky Complaint")

21. According to the Addendum, "Buyers earnest money deposit to be deposit into AMC Escrow upon execution of offer. (Subject to short sale approval if offer is decline or cancel buyers FULL DEPOSIT WILL BE REFUNDED. [sic]" Pursuant to wire instructions on AMC letterhead (bearing the Colton address), on or about December 8, 2014, Griffin wired \$5,000 to AMC's Bank of America account number ######1208 as EMD for the Unity Ct. property purchase.

22. Subsequent to Griffin's offer and EMD, the Unity Ct. transaction did not complete. To date, Griffin has been unable to locate Respondent and has not received a refund of the \$5,000 EMD collected by LUNA and AMC for Unity Ct.

23. Zdazinsky, who was LUNA's REB of record from August 27, 2009 to June 3, 2015 (LUNA's RES expiration), had no knowledge of LUNA's Unity Ct. transaction with Griffin, until the BRE commenced its investigation of LUNA.

BRE Visit to Colton Address

24. On or about April 18, 2016, BRE Special Investigator Albert Perez ("SI Perez") conducted a field visit to the Colton address, where he discovered that the business sign outside read "Redlands Executive Suites." SI Perez spoke to the front desk clerk (Paisley O.), who explained that Redlands Executive Suites offers office space leasing, that it no longer does business with LUNA, and that the office has received many visitors looking for LUNA to get their money back for services LUNA did not provide. A copy of the Service Agreement signed and dated by LUNA on or about May 7, 2013 indicates that AMR, 16426 Iris Drive, Fontana, CA, rented "virtual office basic" space each month beginning on May 6, 2013. According to Paisley O., when she called LUNA on March 9, 2016, he provided a verbal 30-day notice, but was advised to provide his notice in writing; to date, no such written notice has been provided, and LUNA is no longer at the Colton address.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

25. Based on the findings of fact contained in paragraphs 1 through 24, JORGE LUNA, acting by himself or by and/or through one or more agents, associates, representatives, and/or co-conspirators, using the name JORGE LUNA, or other names or fictitious names unknown at this time, including but not limited to: Property Management Investment, America Mortgage and Realty, and/or AMC Escrow, (1) sold or offered to sell, bought or offered to buy, solicited prospective sellers or purchasers of, solicited or obtained listings of, or negotiated the

purchase, sale or exchange of real property or a business opportunity and leased or rented or offered to lease or rent, or placed for rent, or solicited listings of places to rent, or solicited for prospective tenants, or negotiated the sale, purchase or exchanges of leases on real property, or on a business opportunity, or collected rent from real property, or improvements thereon, or from business opportunities, which acts require a real estate broker license under Section 10131(a) and 10131(b), respectively, of the Code, during a period of time when JORGE LUNA was not licensed by the Bureau as a real estate broker, in violation of Section 10130 of the Code.

DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER:

Based upon the Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law stated herein, JORGE LUNA, whether doing business under his own name or any other name(s) or fictitious name(s), including but not limited to: Property Management Investment, America Mortgage and Realty, and/or AMC Escrow, IS HEREBY ORDERED to immediately deist and refrain from performing any acts within the State of California for which a real estate broker license is required. In particular, he is ORDERED TO DESIST AND REFRAIN from:

- a. engaging in real estate sales activities, as described in Code Section 10131(a), individually and under any fictitious business name, unless and until he obtains the required license from the Bureau and is in compliance with Business and Professions Code Section 10130;
- b. engaging in property management activities, as described in Code Section 10131(b), individually and under any fictitious business name, unless and until he obtains the required license from the Bureau and is in compliance with Business and Professions Code Section 10130; and
- c. performing any acts within the State of California for which a real estate broker license is required, unless he is so licensed.

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| 2 | WAYNE S. BELL |
| 3 | REAL ESTATE COMMISIONER |
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| 5 | By: Samuel Agent ' |
| 6 | DANIEL J. SANDRI Deputy Chief Commissioner |
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| 8 | 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 |
| 9 | 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 |
| 10 | fine and imprisonment; or if a corporation, be punished by a fine not exceeding sixty thousand dollars (\$60,000)." |
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