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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Application of

JOSEPH VALLES,

Respondent.

No. H- 41429 LA

STATEMENT OF ISSUES

The Complainant, Maria Suarez, a Supervising Special Investigator for the Department of Real Estate ("Department") of the State of California, for cause of for Statement of Issues against JOSEPH VALLES, also known as Joseph Aurelio Valles, also known as Joseph A. Valles ("Respondent"), is informed and alleges in her official capacity as follows:

1. On or about May 21, 2018, Respondent made application to the Department for a real estate salesperson license.

CAUSE FOR DENIAL

(CRIMINAL CONVICTIONS)

2. On or about April 22, 2009, in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. 9WW02354, Respondent was convicted on a plea of guilty for violation of Penal Code section 12020(a)(1) (possession of a deadly weapon), a misdemeanor. The court suspended the imposition of sentence and placed Respondent on summary probation for 3 years subject to certain terms and conditions including, but not limited to, payment of fines, assessments, and a fee, perform 5 days of CalTrans, and ordered Respondent not to associate with

known gang members. On or about April 5, 2010, the court found Respondent in violation of probation, terminated his probation, and sentenced him to serve 30 days jail time, with credit for one day.

- 3. On or about June 23, 2014, in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Case No. VA135215, Respondent was found guilty and convicted on a plea of nolo contendere for violations of Penal Code section 33210 (manufacturing, selling, possessing a short-barreled rifle/shotgun) and Health and Safety Code section 11359 (possession of marijuana for sale), both felonies. The court suspended the imposition of sentence and placed Respondent on formal probation for 3 years subject to certain terms and conditions including, but not limited to, serving 365 days jail time, with credit for 80 days, paying assessments and fines, registering as a narcotic offender, and forfeiting money in the amount of \$1,165.00 that was seized at the time of Respondent's arrest. On or about August 10, 2016, the court granted Respondent's request for early termination of probation.
- 4. The crimes of which Respondent was convicted, as described in Paragraphs 2 and 3 above, by their facts and circumstances, bear a substantial relationship under Section 2910, Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real estate licensee.
- 5. The crimes of which Respondent was convicted, as described in Paragraphs 2 and 3 above, constitute cause for denial of Respondent's application for a real estate license under California Business and Professions Code sections 480(a)(1) and 10177(b).
- 6. These proceedings are brought under the provisions of Section 10100, Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California and Sections 11500 through 11528 of the California Government Code.

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WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that the above-entitled matter be set for hearing and, upon proof of the charges contained herein, that the Commissioner refuse to authorize the issuance of, and deny the issuance of, a real estate salesperson license to Respondent JOSEPH VALLES and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law. Dated at Los Angeles, California this _____ day of

Supervising Special Investigator

JOSEPH VALLES Maria Suarez

Sacto.