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11	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE
12	STATE OF CALIFORNIA
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13	In the Matter of the Application of ) No. H-42455 LA
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15	JULIO IVAN GARCIA, ) <u>STATEMENT OF ISSUES</u>
16	Respondent.
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18	The Complainant, Jason Parson, a Supervising Special Investigator of the State
19	of California, for Statement of Issues against JULIO IVAN GARCIA ("Respondent"), is
20	informed and alleges in his official capacity as follows:
21	1.
	On or about February 14, 2022, Respondent made application to the Department
22	of Real Estate ("Department") of the State of California for a real estate salesperson license.
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1	FIRST CAUSE FOR DENIAL
2	(ADVERTISING AND SOLICITING AS A REAL ESTATE SALESPERSON WHEN NOT
3	LICENSED TO ACT AS A REAL ESTATE SALESPERSON)
4	2.
5	At no time herein mentioned had Respondent been licensed by the Department
6	in any capacity.
7	3.
8	For an unknown period of time, including October 14, 2022, through December
9	23, 2022, Respondent advertised and solicited consumers on a website,
10	www.julioivangarcia.com. The website solicited the public to contact Respondent for services
11	requiring Department licensure. The website also displayed properties that purport to be
12	Respondent's active listings and sales.
13	4.
14	On or about November 7, 2022, Department Special Investigator Chang
15	reviewed the six (6) properties advertised on the website and determined only four (4) of them
16	were real, searchable addresses. A search of property records determined Respondent never
17	possessed an ownership interest in any of those four (4) properties.
18	5.
19	On or about November 7, 2022, Department Special Investigator Chang
20	conducted a "Whois" search of www.julioivangarcia.com. The search showed that the website
21	was created on February 17, 2022, and is registered through Squarespace Domains, LLC. The
22	search showed that registrant identity is private.
23	6.
24	On or about November 8, 2022, Department Special Investigator Chang served a
25	Subpoena Duces Tecum upon Squarespace Domains, to obtain the registrant identity and
26	information of the website www.julioivangarcia.com. On or about December 28, 2022,
27	Squarespace Domains responded with a refusal to produce the requested information.
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2	On or about November 10, 2022, Department Special Investigator Chang served
3	a Subpoena Duces Tecum upon California Regional Multiple Listing Service, Inc, to obtain: 1)
4	certified copies of all Multiple Listing Service ("MLS") activity regarding five (5) properties
5	advertised on Respondent's website; and 2) copies of all MLS activity by any individual named
6	"Julio Ivan Garcia." On or about November 15, 2022, California Regional MLS furnished a
7	response to the subpoena, providing the MLS histories of the five (5) requested properties.
8	None of the properties indicated any connection to Respondent.
9	8.
10	On or about December 5, 2022, Respondent called Department Special
11	Investigator Chang to inquire about the status of his application. During the phone call, they
12	discussed Respondent's intention, once licensed, to join the real estate team of Monica Rivera,
13	real estate salesperson license ID no. 01996293. Upon further questioning by the investigator,
14	Respondent stated that the referrals were incidental and that Respondent had never actively
15	solicited on behalf of Monica Rivera.
16	9.
17	On or about December 23, 2022, Department Special Investigator Chang called
18	Respondent to inquire about his website. During the phone call, upon being informed his
19	website constituted unlicensed activity, Respondent deactivated the website.
20	10.
21	Respondent's acts of advertising and soliciting consumers on a website in which
22	he holds himself out to be a real estate salesperson, as described in Paragraphs 2 through 10
23	above, are acts that require a real estate salesperson license, in violation of Business and
24	Professions Code section 10130.
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1	SECOND CAUSE FOR DENIAL
2	(CRIMINAL CONVICTION)
3	11.
4	On or about September 11, 2018, in the Superior Court of California, County of
5	Los Angeles, Case No. 8MN01610, Respondent was convicted on a plea of nolo contendere for
6	violation of Vehicle Code section 20002(a) (hit and run involving property damage), a
7	misdemeanor. The imposition of the sentence was suspended. Respondent was placed on
8	summary probation for thirty-six (36) months, on certain terms and conditions, including, in
9	part, payment of victim restitution in an amount to be determined, and payment of fines and
10	fees.
11	12.
12	The crime of which Respondent was convicted, as described in Paragraph 12
13	above, by its facts and circumstances, bears a substantial relationship under Section 2910, Title
14	10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations to the qualifications, functions or duties of a real
15	estate licensee.
16	13.
17	The crime of which Respondent was convicted, as described in Paragraphs 12
18	above, constitutes cause for denial of Respondent's application for a real estate license under
19	California Business and Professions Code sections 480(a)(1) and 10177(b).
20	14.
21	These proceedings are brought under the provisions of Section 10100, Division
22	4 of the Business and Professions Code of the State of California and Sections 11500 through
23	11528 of the California Government Code.
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3	WHEREFORE, the Complainant prays that the above-entitled matter be set for
4	hearing and, upon proof of the charges contained herein, that the Commissioner refuse to
5	authorize the issuance of, and deny the issuance of, a real estate salesperson license to
6	Respondent JULIO IVAN GARCIA and for such other and further relief as may be proper
7	under other applicable provisions of law.
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9	Dated at Los Angeles, California this <u>23rd</u> day of <u>January</u> , 20 <u>23</u> .
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12	Jason Parson
13	Supervising Special Investigator
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