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## BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

### STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation of

BEATRIX ELIZABETH WHIPPLE, and

JENNIFER DYKEMA

Respondents.

No. H-41226 LA

STIPULATION
AND
AGREEMENT

It is hereby stipulated by and between Respondent BEATRIX ELIZABETH WHIPPLE ("WHIPPLE"), represented by Scott J. Harris, Esq./SJ Harris Law and the Complainant, acting by and through Julie L. To, Counsel for the Department of Real Estate ("Department" or "DRE"), as follows for the purpose of settling and disposing of the Accusation of BEATRIX ELIZABETH WHIPPLE and JENNIFER DYKEMA ("Accusation") filed on November 29, 2018, in Case No. H-41226 LA, in this matter.

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- 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").
- 2. Respondent has received, read and understands the Statement to Respondent, the Discovery Provisions of the APA and the Accusation filed by the Department of Real Estate ("Department") in this proceeding.
- 3. On December 19, 2018, Respondent timely filed her 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 she understands that by withdrawing said Notice of Defense she thereby waives her 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 she will waive other rights afforded to her in connection with the hearing such as the right to present evidence in his defense and the right to cross-examine witnesses.
- 4. Respondent, pursuant to the limitations set forth below, hereby admits that the factual allegations of the Accusation filed in this proceeding are true and correct and the Real Estate Commissioner shall not be required to provide further evidence of such 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 Department of Real Estate ("Department") or another licensing agency of this state, another state, or if the federal government is involved, and otherwise shall not be admissible in any other criminal or civil proceeding.

6. It is understood by the parties that the Real Estate Commissioner may adopt this Stipulation as the Commissioner's Decision in this matter, thereby imposing the penalty and sanctions on Respondent's real estate licenses and license rights as set forth in below "Order." In the event that the Commissioner in his discretion does not adopt the Stipulation and Agreement, the Stipulation 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 admission 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 Department 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 Accusations against Respondent herein.

### **DETERMINATION OF ISSUES**

By reason of the foregoing stipulations, admissions and waivers, and solely for the purpose of settlement of the pending Accusation without a hearing, it is stipulated and agreed that the following determination of issues shall be made:

The conduct, acts and/or omissions of Respondent BEATRIX ELIZABETH WHIPPLE, as described in Paragraph 4, herein above, are in violation of: Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832.1; Code Section 10148; Code Sections 10130 and 10137; Code Section 10145(c); Code Section 10145(a) and Regulation 2832; Code Sections 10145, 10176(i) and 10177(j); Code Section 10159.5 and Regulation 2731; Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2834; Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831; Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831; Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831.1; Code Section 10176(a); Code Section 10177(d); and Code Section 10177(g), and are bases for the suspension or revocation of the license and license rights

#### <u>ORDER</u>

# WHEREFORE, THE FOLLOWING ORDER is hereby made:

All licenses and licensing rights of Respondent BEATRIX ELIZABETH
WHIPPLE under the Real Estate Law are revoked; provided, however, a restricted real estate
salesperson license shall be issued to Respondent pursuant to Section 10156.5 of the Business
and Professions Code if Respondent makes application therefor and pays to the Department of
Real Estate the appropriate fee for the restricted license within ninety (90) days from the
effective date of this Decision. The restricted license issued to Respondent shall be subject to
all of the provisions of Section 10156.7 of the Business and Professions Code and to the
following limitations, conditions and restrictions imposed under authority of that Code:

- 1. The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner in the event of Respondent's conviction or plea of nolo contendere to a crime which is substantially related to Respondent's fitness or capacity as a real estate licensee.
- 2. The restricted license issued to Respondent may be suspended prior to hearing by Order of the Real Estate Commissioner on evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner that Respondent has violated provisions of the California Real Estate Law, the Subdivided Lands Law, Regulations of the Real Estate Commissioner, or conditions attaching to this restricted license.
- 3. Respondent shall not be eligible to apply for the issuance of an unrestricted real estate license nor for the removal of any of the conditions, limitations or restrictions of a restricted license until two (2) years have elapsed from the effective date of this Decision.

- 4. Respondent shall submit with any application for license under an employing broker, or any application for transfer to a new employing broker, a statement signed by the prospective employing broker on a form approved by the Department of Real Estate which shall certify:
  - (a) That the employing broker has read the Decision of the Commissioner which granted the right to a restricted license; and
  - (b) That the employing broker will exercise close supervision over the performance by the restricted licensee relating to activities for which a real estate license is required.
- 5. Respondent 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 Respondent's real estate license shall automatically be suspended until Respondent presents evidence satisfactory to the Commissioner of having taken and successfully completed the continuing education requirements. Proof of completion of the continuing education courses must be delivered to the Department of Real Estate, Flag Section at P.O. Box 137013, Sacramento, CA 95813-7013.
- 6. Respondent shall, within twelve (12) months from the effective date of this Decision, take and pass the Professional Responsibility Examination administered by the Bureau including the payment of the appropriate examination fee. If Respondent fails to satisfy this condition, the Commissioner may order suspension of Respondent's license until Respondent passes the examination.

7. Respondent shall, prior to the issuance of the restricted real estate salesperson license, and as a condition of the issuance of said restricted license, pay the amount of \$7,138.87 to the Department of Real Estate Consumer Recovery Account. Said payment shall be in the form of a cashier's check or certified check made payable to the Department of Real Estate and must be delivered to: Department of Real Estate, Consumer Recovery Account, P.O. Box 137007, Sacramento, CA 95813.

DATED: 12-30-70

Julie L. To, Counsel for Complainant

### **EXECUTION OF THE STIPULATION**

I have read the Stipulation and Agreement, have discussed it with my counsel, and 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 E-MAIL

Respondent shall send a hard copy of the original signed Stipulation and Agreement to: Julie L. To, Department of Real Estate, 320 West Fourth Street, Suite 350, Los Angeles, CA 90013. In the event of time constraints before an administrative hearing, Respondent can signify acceptance and approval of the terms and conditions of this Stipulation and Agreement by emailing a scanned copy of the signature page, as actually signed by Respondent, to the Department of Real Estate counsel assigned to this case. Respondent agrees,

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|    | acknowledges and understands that by electronically sending the Department of Real Estate a  scan of Respondent's actual signature.      |
|    | scan of Respondent's actual signature as it appears on the Scipulation and Agreement, that   |
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|    | receipt of the scan by the Department of Real Estate shall be binding on Respondent as if the  Department of Real Estate had received to |
|    | Department of Real Estate had received the original signed Stipulation and Agreement.  |
|    | 6 DATED: 12/28/2020  |
|    | BEATPIX ELIZABETH WHIPPLE, Respondent  |
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| 11 | DATED: 12/29/2020  |
| 15 | Scott J. Harris, Esq.  |
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| 15 | The foregoing Stipulation and Agreement is hereby adopted as my Decision in  |
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| 17 | IT IS SO ORDERED 3, 9.21   |
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