1 2 3 4 5	Julie L. To, Counsel (SBN 219482) Department of Real Estate 320 West 4th Street, Suite 350 Los Angeles, California 90013 Telephone: (213) 576-6982 (Direct) (213) 576-6916  MAR 3 0 2021  DEPT. OF REAL ESTATE By		
7	BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE STATE OF CALIFORNIA		
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11	In the Matter of the Accusation of  No. H-41952 LA		
12	AMANDA J. PHILP,  ACCUSATION		
13	Respondent.		
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15	The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Supervising Special Investigator of the		
16	State of California, for cause of Accusation against AMANDA J. PHILP, a.k.a. Amanda J.		
17	Daniels a.k.a. Amanda Jane Philp ("Respondent") alleges as follows:		
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19	The Complainant, Veronica Kilpatrick, a Supervising Special Investigator of the		
20	State of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.		
21	2.		
22	A. Respondent is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real		
23	Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code ("Code") as a		
24	real estate salesperson ("RES") Department of Real Estate ("Department" or "DRE") license		
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27	DRE ACCUSATION AND THE		

December 6, 2019 - Riverside County Case Number SWM086939

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# (Vehicle Code Section 14601.2(a)) On or about July 6, 2009, in the State of California, in Riverside County Case

Number SWM086939, The People of the State of California vs. Amanda Jane Daniels, a Misdemeanor Complaint was filed against Respondent for violation of Count One: Vehicle Code ("VC") Section 14601.2(a) (drive a motor vehicle upon a highway at a time when his/her driving privilege was suspended and revoked for a reason other than the influence of an alcoholic beverage and a drug and under their combined influence, having knowledge of such suspension and revocation; [revocation not related to driving]). (On June 18, 2009, the Temecula Police Department had issued a Notice to Appear to Respondent for her appearance at the Riverside Superior Court - Southwest Justice Center on August 10, 2009.)

#### 6.

On the date of the arraignment, August 10, 2009, Respondent did not appear, a bench warrant was issued for her failure to appear, and bail was set at \$5,000.00.

#### 7.

On December 5, 2019, the court issued a bench warrant for Respondent's failure to appear and set bail at \$15,000.00.

#### 8.

On or about December 6, 2019, Respondent pled guilty to, and was convicted for, violation of VC Section 14601.2(a) (Count 1). On the same day, Respondent ordered to pay court fines and fees.

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### (AGGRAVATION)

## May 29, 2009 - Riverside County Case Number SWM084986

## (Vehicle Code Section 14601.1(a))

On or about April 23, 2009, in the State of California, in Riverside County Case Number SWM084986, The People of the State of California vs. Amanda Jane Daniels, a Misdemeanor Complaint was filed against Respondent for violation of Count One: VC Section 14601.2(a) (drive a motor vehicle upon a highway at a time when his/her driving privilege was suspended and revoked for a reason other than the influence of an alcoholic beverage and a drug and under their combined influence, having knowledge of such suspension and revocation; [revocation not related to driving]). (On March 18, 2009, the Temecula Police Department had issued a Notice to Appear to Respondent for her appearance at the Riverside Superior Court - Southwest Justice Center on May 29, 2009.)

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On the date of the arraignment, May 29, 2009, Respondent did not appear; a bench warrant was issued for her failure to appear; bail was set at \$2,500.00; and the court ordered that an Additional Complaint be filed to add a violation of VC 40508(a) as Count 2. On or about June 3, 2009, an additional charge was added to Complaint SWM08496 as Count 2: violation of VC 40508(a) (failure to appear in accordance with written promise to appear on issued citation).

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On the continued date of the arraignment, August 18 2009, Respondent did not appear; a bench warrant was issued for her failure to appear; bail was set at \$5,000.00; and the court ordered that an Additional Complaint be filed to add a violation of VC 40508(a) as Count 3. On or about August 31, 2009, an additional charge was added to Complaint SWM08496 as

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appear on issued citation).

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Count 3: violation of VC 40508(a) (failure to appear in accordance with written promise to

On or about December 6, 2019, Respondent pled guilty to, and was convicted for, violation of VC Section 14601.1(a) (Count 1). On the same day, Respondent was ordered to pay court fines and fees.

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#### (AGGRAVATION)

# May 2, 2008 – Riverside County Case Number SWM074498 (Vehicle Code Section 23152(a))

On or about April 4, 2008, in the State of California, in Riverside County Case Number SWM074498, The People of the State of California vs. Amanda Jane Daniels, a Misdemeanor Complaint was filed against Respondent for violation of: VC Section 23152(a) (willfully and unlawfully drive a vehicle while under the influence of an alcoholic beverage and a drug and under their combined influence) (Count 1) and VC 23152(b) (willfully and unlawfully drive a vehicle while having 0.08 percent and more, by weight, of alcohol in her blood and 0.08 grams and more of alcohol per 210 liters of her breath (Count 2). (On March 15, 2008, the Murrieta Police Department had issued a Notice to Appear to Respondent for her appearance at the Riverside Superior Court - Southwest Justice Center on May 2, 2008.)

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On or about May 2, 2008, Respondent pled guilty to, and was convicted for, violation of VC Section 23152(a) (Count 1) and VC 23152(b) (Count 2). On the same day, Respondent was sentenced to 36 months summary probation and committed to the custody of the Riverside County Sheriff for one day. Additionally, Respondent was ordered by the court to: perform 48 hours of community service; complete a First Offender Driving Under the

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Influence ("DUI") Program; and pay court fines and fees. Respondent was notified on the May 2, 2008 of the suspension of his Department of Motor Vehicles ("DMV") license pursuant to VC 13352(a)(1), effective on the same day.

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On or about December 6, 2019, upon Respondent's admission to her violation of probation, the court reinstated and modified probation; the 48 hours of community service was reinstated and Respondent was committed to the custody of the Riverside County Sheriff for 60 days (jail time to be served in work release in lieu of county jail). Additionally, Respondent was ordered to pay court fines and fees.

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# (NON-REPORT OF CRIMINAL COMPLAINT TO THE DRE: CASE NO. SWM1905744)

Respondent did not report in writing to the Department, the aforementioned complaints in Case No. SWM1905744, as described above in Paragraph 3, within thirty (30) days of said Misdemeanor Complaint on November 25, 2019.

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# (NON-REPORT OF CRIMINAL CONVICTION TO THE DRE: CASE NO. SWM1905744)

Respondent did not report in writing to the Department, the aforementioned criminal conviction in Case No. SWM1905744, as described above in Paragraph 4, within thirty (30) days of the conviction on December 6, 2019.

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## (NON-REPORT OF CRIMINAL CONVICTION TO THE DRE: CASE NO. SWM086939)

Respondent did not report in writing to the Department, the aforementioned criminal conviction in Case No. SWM086939, as described above in Paragraph 8, within thirty (30) days of the conviction on December 6, 2019.

## APPLICABLE SECTIONS OF THE REAL ESTATE LAW

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### Code Section 490

Pursuant to Code Section 490 Conviction of Crime - Relationship of Crime to Licensed Activity:

- "(a) In addition to any other action that a board is permitted to take against a licensee, a board may suspend or revoke a license on the ground that the licensee has been convicted of a crime, if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the license was issued.
- (b) Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a board may exercise any authority to discipline a licensee for conviction of a crime that is independent of the authority granted under subdivision (a) only if the crime is substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of the business or profession for which the licensee's license was issued.
- (c) A conviction within the meaning of this section means a plea or verdict of guilty or a conviction following a plea of nolo contendere. An action that a board is permitted to take following the establishment of a conviction may be taken when the time for appeal has elapsed, or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, or when an order granting probation is made suspending the imposition of sentence, irrespective of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code.
- (d) The Legislature hereby finds and declares that the application of this section has been made unclear by the holding in Petropoulos v. Department of Real Estate (2006) 142 Cal.App.4th 554, and that the holding in that case has placed a significant number of statutes and regulations in question, resulting in potential harm to the consumers of California from licensees who have been convicted of crimes. Therefore, the Legislature finds and declares that

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this section establishes an independent basis for a board to impose discipline upon a licensee, and that the amendments to this section made by Chapter 33 of the Statutes of 2008 do not constitute a change to, but rather are declaratory of, existing law."

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#### Regulation 2910

Pursuant to Regulation 2910 Criteria of Substantial Relationship:

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- "(a) When considering whether a license should be denied, suspended or revoked on the basis of the conviction of a crime, or on the basis of an act described in Section 480(a)(2) or 480(a)(3) of the Code, the crime or act shall be deemed to be substantially related to the qualifications, functions or duties of a licensee of the Bureau within the meaning of Sections 480 and 490 of the Code if it involves:
  - (1) The fraudulent taking, obtaining, appropriating or retaining of funds or property belonging to another person.
  - (2) Counterfeiting, forging or altering of an instrument or the uttering of a false statement.
  - (3) Willfully attempting to derive a personal financial benefit through the nonpayment or underpayment of taxes, assessments or levies duly imposed upon the licensee or applicant by federal, state, or local government.
  - (4) The employment of bribery, fraud, deceit, falsehood or misrepresentation to achieve an end.
  - (5) Sexually related conduct affecting a person who is an observer or non-consenting participant in the conduct or convictions which require registration pursuant to the provisions of Section 290 of the Penal Code.

#### Code Section 10177

(selected portions)

Pursuant to Code Section 10177 Further Grounds for Disciplinary Action:

"The commissioner may suspend or revoke the license of a real estate licensee, delay the renewal of a license of a real estate licensee, or deny the issuance of a license to an applicant, who has done any of the following, or may suspend or revoke the license of a corporation, delay the renewal of a license of a corporation, or deny the issuance of a license to a corporation, if an officer, director, or person owning or controlling 10 percent or more of the corporation's stock has done any of the following:

- (a) Procured, or attempted to procure, a real estate license or license renewal, for themself or a salesperson, by fraud, misrepresentation, or deceit, or by making a material misstatement of fact in an application for a real estate license, license renewal, or reinstatement.
- (b) (1) Entered a plea of guilty or no contest to, or been found guilty of, or been convicted of, a felony, or a crime substantially related to the qualifications, functions, or duties of a real estate licensee, and the time for appeal has elapsed or the judgment of conviction has been affirmed on appeal, irrespective of an order granting probation following that conviction, suspending the imposition of sentence, or of a subsequent order under Section 1203.4 of the Penal Code allowing that licensee to withdraw that licensee's plea of guilty and to enter a plea of not guilty, or dismissing the accusation or information.

(2) Notwithstanding paragraph (1), and with the recognition that sentencing may not occur for months or years following the entry of a guilty plea, the commissioner may suspend the license of a real estate licensee upon the entry by the licensee of a guilty plea to any of the crimes described in paragraph (1). If the guilty plea is withdrawn, the suspension shall be rescinded and the license reinstated to its status prior to the suspension. The department shall notify a person whose license is subject to suspension pursuant to this paragraph of that person's right to have the issue of the suspension heard in accordance with Section 10100..."

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## Code Section 10186.2

Pursuant to Code Section 10186.2 Reporting of Convictions, Indictments and License Disciplinary Actions:

- "(a) (1) A licensee shall report any of the following to the department:
  - (A) The bringing of a criminal complaint, information, or indictment charging a felony against the licensee.
  - (B) The conviction of the licensee, including any verdict of guilty, or plea of guilty or no contest, of any felony or misdemeanor.
  - (C) Any disciplinary action taken by another licensing entity or authority of this state or of another state or an agency of the federal government.
  - (2) The report required by this subdivision shall be made in writing within 30 days of the date of the bringing of the indictment or the charging of a felony, the conviction, or the disciplinary action.
- (b) Failure to make a report required by this section shall constitute a cause for discipline."

### Code Section 10106

#### (Costs)

Pursuant to Code Section 10106 Cost Recovery of Investigations:

- "(a) Except as otherwise provided by law, in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the department, 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.
- (b) In the case of a disciplined licensee that is a corporation or a partnership, the order may be made against the licensed corporate entity or licensed partnership.
- (c) A certified copy of the actual costs, or a good faith estimate of costs where actual costs are not available, signed by the commissioner or the commissioner's designated representative, shall be prima facie evidence of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case. The costs shall include the amount of investigative and enforcement costs up to the date of the hearing, including, but not limited to, charges imposed by the Attorney General.
- (d) The administrative law judge shall make a proposed finding of the amount of reasonable costs of investigation and prosecution of the case when requested pursuant to subdivision (a). The finding of the administrative law judge with regard to costs shall not be reviewable by the commissioner to increase the cost award. The commissioner may reduce or eliminate the cost award, or remand to the administrative law judge where the proposed decision fails to make a finding on costs requested pursuant to subdivision (a).
- (e) Where an order for recovery of costs is made and timely payment is not made as directed in the commissioner's decision, the commissioner may enforce the order for

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The crimes of which Respondent was convicted, as described above in Paragraphs 4 and 8 (Case Nos. SWM1905744 and SWM086939, respectively), constitute cause under Code Sections 490 and 10177(b) for the suspension or revocation of Respondent's RES license and license rights under the Real Estate Law.

## SECOND CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

(FAILURES TO REPORT)

26.

Respondent's failure to report the November 25, 2019 Misdemeanor Complaint in Case No. SWM1905744 constitutes cause for discipline under Code Section 10186.2 of the RES license and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law.

27.

Respondent's failure to report the December 6, 2019 criminal conviction in Case No. SWM1905744 constitutes cause for discipline under **Code Section 10186.2** of the RES license and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law.

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Respondent's failure to report the December 6, 2019 criminal conviction in Case No. SWM086939 constitutes cause for discipline under Code Section 10186.2 of the RES license and license rights of Respondent under the Real Estate Law.

#### **COSTS**

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Code Section 10106 provides, in pertinent part, that in any order issued in resolution of a disciplinary proceeding before the Bureau, 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 investigation and enforcement of the case.

1	WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the	
2	allegations of this Accusation and that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing	
3	disciplinary action against all licenses and/or license rights under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 or	
4	Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code) of Respondent AMANDA J.	
5	PHILP, for the cost of investigation and enforcement as permitted by law, and for such other	
6	and further relief as may be proper under applicable provisions of law.	
7	Dated at San Diego, California	
8	this 10 day of March , 2021.	
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12	Veronica Kilpatrick Supervising Special Investigator	
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