BEFORE THE IOWA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION 1920 SE HULSIZER ANKENY, IOWA

IN RE:)
) CASE NUMBER: A10-017
Charles W. Concannon)
Broker (B36408))
) COMBINED STATEMENT OF
REG, Inc.) CHARGES, INFORMAL
9805 Giles Road) SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
La Vista, Nebraska 68128) AND CONSENT ORDER IN A
) DISCIPLINARY CASE
Respondent.)

The Iowa Real Estate Commission (Commission) and **Charles W. Concannon** (Respondent) enter into this Combined Statement of Charges, Informal Settlement Agreement, and Consent Order in a Disciplinary Case (Order) pursuant to Iowa Code Sections 17A.10(1) and 272C.3(4) (2009).

- 1. The Commission issued the Respondent real estate broker license number B36408 on September 11, 1995. Respondent's license is current and in full force and effect through December 31, 2011. At all times relevant to this matter, the Respondent was a licensed real estate broker officer assigned to REG, Inc, a licensed real estate firm, license number F03703 located in La Vista, Nebraska.
- 2. The Commission has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 543B (2009). Licenses issued by the Commission are subject to the laws of the State of Iowa and to the administrative rules of the Commission.

STATEMENT OF CHARGES

COUNT I

- 3. Respondent is charged with engaging in practices harmful or detrimental to the public in violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.29(1)(c)(2009) by:
 - (a) Operating a branch office without a license in violation of Iowa Code chapter 543B.1, 543B.31, and 193E Iowa Admin. Code chapter 2.1, 7.1(3) and 18.14(5)(s).

Count II

- 4. Respondent is charged with engaging in practices harmful or detrimental to the public in violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.29(1)(c)and 543B.46(2009) by:
 - (a) Failing to properly maintain individual ledgers. See 193E Iowa Admin. Code §§ 13.1(6)(b), 18.14(5)(e)(2),
 - (b) Releasing funds from the Respondent's trust account prior to closing without the express written consent of all parties to the transaction. See Iowa Code § 543B.56(1); and 193E Iowa Admin. Code §§ 13.1(7) & 18.14(5)(f)(2), and
 - (c) Failing after three years to forward unclaimed funds to the Treasurer of the State of Iowa. See 193E Iowa Admin Code §§ 13.1(14) and 18.14(5) (s).

CIRCUMSTANCES

- 5. On or about March 31, 2010, an audit of the Respondent's trust account and records was conducted.
- 6. Auditor found that the Respondent was not maintaining individual Ledgers for Brokers Equity and Interest.
- 7. The auditor found that earnest funds were being removed from the trust account prior to closing without the express written consent of all parties to the transaction.
- 8. The auditor found an earnest money deposit from 2006 still pending in the Respondent's trust account.
- 9. The Respondent was operating a branch located at 14505 California Street, Omaha, Nebraska without obtaining appropriate licensure for a branch office.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 10. Respondent admits each and every allegation in the above-stated Statement of Charges.
- 11. Respondent acknowledges that she has a right to receive notice of the abovestated charges and to request a hearing before the Commission on the merits of the

charges. By freely and voluntarily entering into this Order, the Respondent waives her right to notice and a hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review. This Order constitutes discipline against the Respondent, and is the final agency order in this contested case pursuant to Iowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 Iowa Administrative Code 7.4.

- 12. Respondent agrees that the State's attorney and/or Commission staff may present this Order to the Commission and may have *ex parte* communications with the Commission while presenting it. Respondent waives any right of notice of this meeting or any right that the Respondent might have to participate in the discussion of this Order among the Commission, the Commission staff and the State's attorney.
- 13. This Order shall be part of the permanent record of Respondent and shall be considered by the Commission in determining the nature and severity of any future disciplinary action to be imposed in the event of any future violations of the laws and rules governing the practice of real estate by the Respondent.
- 14. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.29(3), 543B.34(2) and 272C.3(2)(a) (2009) and shall be grounds for further disciplinary action. However, no action may be taken against the Respondent for violations of this Order without a hearing, or waiver of hearing.
- 15. This Order is not binding on the Iowa Real Estate Commission until it has been formally approved by a majority of the Commission members.
 - (a) In the event that this Order is rejected by the Commission it shall be of no force or effect to either party, and it shall not be admissible for any purpose in further proceedings in this matter.
 - (b) If the Commission approves this Order, it shall fully dispose of all issues in this case.
- 16. Upon acceptance by both the Commission and Respondent, this Combined Statement of Charges, Informal Settlement and Consent Order shall be a public record available for inspection and copying in its entirety in accordance with the requirements of Iowa Code chapter 22 (2009).

CONSENT ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

17. <u>REPRIMAND</u>. Pursuant to 193E Iowa Administrative Code section 18.14(1)(j), the Respondent is reprimanded.

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- 18. <u>CIVIL PENALTY</u>. The Respondent shall pay a civil penalty to the Commission in the amount of \$500 no later than 30 calendar days after acceptance of this Order by the Commission. The civil penalty must come under a cover letter addressed to the Commission's Executive Officer and refer to case A10-017.
- 19. <u>FUTURE COMPLIANCE</u>. The Respondent shall at all future times fully and promptly comply with all pertinent Orders of the Commission and the statutes and Commission rules regulating the practice of real estate.

WHEREFORE, the terms of this Combined Statement of Charges, Informal Settlement Agreement, and Consent Order are agreed to and accepted by the Iowa Real Estate Commission and the Respondent.

Commission and the Respondent	
FOR THE RESPONDENT:	
Voluntarily agreed to and a	accepted by Charles W. Concannon on this 10 14
	By: CHARLES W. CONCANNON, Broker Officer
State of NEBRASKA)	
State of NEBEASKA) County of Douglas	•
Signed and sworn to before, 20:	· · ·
GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska CONNIE J. ISHAM My Comm. Exp. Feb. 12, 2012	Notary Public, State of Iowa NEBRASKA Printed Name: CONNET. TSham My Commission Expires: ALLIA, 2013

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FOR THE COMMISSION:

Voluntarily agreed to and a	accepted by the IOWA REAL E	STATE
COMMISSION on this d	ay of	, 2010.
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	LAURIE DAWLEY, Chair	
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