Department of Commerce Professional Licensing Bureau

BEFORE THE IOWA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION 200 EAST GRAND, SUITE 350 DES MOINES, IOWA 50309



IN RE:)	
)	CASE NUMBER: 18-088
Danny Scheck)	
Broker (B65751000))	COMBINED STATEMENT OF
)	CHARGES, INFORMAL
Sierra Realty & Management, LLC)	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT,
8410 Gross Point Road)	AND CONSENT ORDER IN A
Skokie, IL 60077)	DISCIPLINARY CASE
)	
RESPONDENT)	

The Iowa Real Estate Commission (Commission) and **Danny Scheck** (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) (2019).

- 1. The Commission issued the Respondent real estate broker license number B65751000 on August 3, 2017. Respondent's license is in full force and effect until December 31, 2019. At all times relevant to this matter, the Respondent served both as the designated broker in charge and a licensed real estate broker officer of Sierra Realty & Management, LLC, license number F05946000, located in Skokie, Illinois.
- 2. The Commission has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 543B (2018). 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

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3. Respondent is charged with knowingly aiding or abetting an unlicensed person, by allowing the unlicensed practice of real estate in Iowa in violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.1, 543B.3, 543B.29(1), 543B.34 (2018). *See* 193E Iowa Administrative Code sections 7.13, 18.2(6), 18.14(5)(s), 21.2(7).

CIRCUMSTANCES

- 4. At all times relevant to this matter, the Respondent served both as the designated broker in charge and a licensed real estate broker officer of the firm. As the designated broker in charge, the Respondent was responsible for ensuring that Sierra Realty & Management, LLC complied with all applicable statutes and regulations relating to its operations as a real estate brokerage firm, including supervising the acts or activities of unlicensed personnel.
- 5. The Commission received a complaint in March of 2018, alleging that the Respondent had nonlicensed support personnel that was acting as a real estate broker in relation to the property management of commercial properties and multi-family rental properties located in the state of lowa.
- 6. The Commission's investigation revealed that nonlicensed support personnel for the Respondent was engaged in acts contained in the definition of a real estate broker for commercial properties and multi-family rental properties in Iowa by performing real estate property management duties for a fee.
- 7. Consequently, the Respondent knowingly aided or abetted the unlicensed practice of real estate in Iowa.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 8. Respondent admits each and every allegation in the above-stated Statement of Charges. This case shall constitute one violation for purposes of Iowa Code section 543B.29(4) (2019).
- 9. Respondent acknowledges that he has a right to receive notice of the above-stated 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 his 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 lowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.4.
- 10. 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.
- 11. 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.

- 12. Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be prima facie evidence of a violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.29(1)(d), 543B.34(1) and 272C.3(2)(a) (2018) 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.
- 13. 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.
- 14. 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 lowa Code chapter 22 (2019).

CONSENT ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 15. <u>REPRIMAND</u>. Pursuant to 193E Iowa Administrative Code section 18.14(1)(j), the Respondent is reprimanded.
- 16. <u>CIVIL PENALTY</u>. The Respondent shall pay a civil penalty to the Commission in the amount of one thousand dollars (\$1,000.00) no later than six (6) months after acceptance of this Order by the Commission. The civil penalty must come under a cover letter addressed to the Commission's Executive Officer, referencing Case Number 18-088.
- 17. <u>FUTURE COMPLIANCE</u>. The Respondent also 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.

	Day Scheck on this day of By: DANNY SCHECK, Respondent
State of)	
County of <u>Cook</u>)	
Signed and sworn to before me	on this <u>5</u> day of <u>April</u> , 2019, by:
OFFICIAL SEAL SVETLANA MARKOLOVIC Notary Public - State of Illinois My Commission Expires Jun 29, 2019	Notary Public, State of
FOR THE COMMISSION:	
Voluntarily agreed to and accept day of	TERRANCE M. DUGGAN, Chair lowa Real Estate Commission