

200 EAST GRAND, SUITE 350 DES MOINES, IOWA 50309

IN RE:)	
)	CASE NUMBER: 20-338
Christine A. Wilson)	
Salesperson (S63687000))	VOLUNTARY SURRENDER
SUSPENDED)	OF SALESPERSON LICENSE
)	THROUGH CONSENT ORDER
10 S Main Street)	
Albia, IA 52531)	
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RESPONDENT)	

The Iowa Real Estate Commission (Commission) and Christine A. Wilson (Respondent) enter into this Voluntary Surrender of Salesperson License through Consent Order (Order) pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.10(1) and 272C.3(4) (2021).

- 1. The Commission issued the Respondent real estate salesperson license number S64531000 on April 30, 2015. Although originally scheduled to expire on December 31, 2020, the Respondent's license remains in full force and effect indefinitely throughout the pendency of the COVID-19 public health emergency as provided by section 80 of the Governor's December 9, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster Emergency. The Respondent's license is presently suspended per order of the Commission entered pursuant to Iowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f)(1).
- 2. The Commission has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 543B. Licenses issued by the Commission are subject to the laws of the State of Iowa and the administrative rules of the Commission.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

3. On January 5, 2021, the Commission issued a Statement of Charges against the Respondent. A true and accurate copy of said Statement of Charges is attached to this Order as Exhibit 1. The Respondent does not contest that she has been convicted of the felony criminal offense of Insurance Fraud – Presenting False Information as cited in the attached Statement of Charges.

- 4. The Respondent acknowledges that she has a right to 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 a hearing and all attendant rights, including the right to seek judicial review. This Order constitutes the final agency order in this contested case pursuant to lowa Code section 17A.10 and 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.
- 5. The 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. The 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.
- 6. This Order shall be part of the permanent record of the 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.
- 7. 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. 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) 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.
- 8. This Order is not binding on the lowa 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.
- 9. Upon acceptance by both the Commission and Respondent, this Order shall be a public record available for inspection and copying in its entirety in accordance with the requirements of lowa Code chapter 22.

CONSENT ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

10. <u>VOLUNTARY SURRENDER</u>: The Respondent voluntarily agrees to surrender her lowa Real Estate Salesperson License (\$63687000) to the lowa Real Estate Commission in lieu of a formal hearing as required by lowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f)(1). The effective date of the license surrender shall be the date this Order is accepted by the Commission.

11. <u>LICENSEE REAPPLICATION</u>: Reinstatement of the Respondent's lowa Real Estate license shall be governed by lowa Code section 543B.15 and 193E lowa Administrative Code rule 18.15. The Respondent specifically acknowledges that pursuant to 193E lowa Administrative Code rule 18.15(2), the Respondent shall not be eligible to seek reinstatement of her real estate salesperson license for a minimum of two years from the date her license surrender is effective; that pursuant to 193E lowa Administrative Code rule 18.15(4)(c), the Commission shall not grant an application for reinstatement until she has fully satisfied all terms of the sentencing order entered in *State v. Wilson*, Monroe Co. No. FECR060955; and, that pursuant to 193E lowa Administrative Code rule 18.15(3), the Respondent must qualify as a salesperson starting over as if never licensed.

WHEREFORE, the terms of this Voluntary Surrender of Salesperson License through Consent Order is agreed to by the Iowa Real Estate Commission and the Respondent.

FOR THE RESPONDENT:

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By: CHRISTINE A. WILSON, Respondent	
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State of <u>Lowa</u>)	
County of MONROE)	
Signed and sworn to before me on this 27 day of January	2021, by:

In re: Christine A. Wilson IREC Case No. 20-338



Notary Public, State of Town

Printed Name: Patricia A Uni Weelden

My Commission Expires: April 29, 2022

FOR THE COMMISSION:

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TERVANCE M. DUGGAN, Chair lowa Real Estate Commission

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

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IN RE:	CASE NUMBER: 20-338
Christine A. Wilson	
Salesperson (S63687000)	NOTICE OF HEARING AND
SUSPENDED)	STATEMENT OF CHARGES
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10 S Main Street	
Albia, IA 52531	
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RESPONDENT)	

The lowa Real Estate Commission ("Commission") issues this Notice of Hearing pursuant to lowa Code sections 17A.12(2), 17A.18A, 543B.29(1)(f) and 543B.35 (2020). The Commission has jurisdiction of this matter pursuant to lowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 543B (2020). Licenses issued by the Commission are subject to the laws of the state of lowa and to the administrative rules of the Commission.

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NOTICE OF HEARING

1. **HEARING.** A contested case hearing will be held concerning the below-stated disciplinary charges before the lowa Real Estate Commission on the 4th day of **February 2021**, at **9:30 o'clock AM**. Due to the ongoing COVID 19 public health emergency, the hearing will be conducted electronically via the Zoom video conferencing application so as to minimize public gatherings and ensure appropriate social distancing. Instructions for accessing and participating in the hearing via the Zoom application will be provided to all participants by the undersigned executive officer prior to the scheduled hearing date.

EXHIBIT 1

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- 2. **ACKNOWLEDGMENT.** The Commission requests that you file a statement to acknowledge receipt of the notice of hearing within 10 days of the date you are served with this Notice.
- 3. ANSWER. Within 20 days of the date you are served with this Notice you must file an answer to the charges as provided in 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.9.
- 4. **PREHEARING CONFERENCE**. A prehearing conference will be held by telephone on the **28**th day of **January**, **2021** at **9:30 o'clock AM** before an Administrative Law Judge from the lowa Department of Inspections and Appeals ("ALJ"). Commission rules on prehearing conferences may be found at 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.21.
- 5. **PRESIDING OFFICER.** The full Commission shall serve as presiding officer at hearing, pursuant to lowa Code section 272C.6(1) and 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.10(1). The Commission may request that an ALI make initial rulings on prehearing matters, and be present to assist and advise the Board at hearing, as described in 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.10(4).
- 6. **HEARING PROCEDURES.** Commission rules on hearing procedures may be found at 193 lowa Administrative Code chapter 7. You have the right to respond to the charges, produce evidence on your behalf, cross-examine witnesses, and examine any documents introduced at hearing. You may appear personally and be represented by counsel at your own expense. Consult rule 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.22 if you need to request an alternative time or date. The hearing may be open to the public or closed to the public at the discretion of the Respondent.
- 7. **DEFAULT.** If you fail to appear at hearing, the Commission may enter a default decision or proceed with the hearing and render a decision in your absence, in accordance with lowa Code section 17A.12(3) and 193 lowa Administrative Code 7.27.
- 8. **STATE'S COUNSEL.** Licensee disciplinary cases are prosecuted by an Assistant Attorney General acting on behalf of the public interest (the State). Copies of all pleadings shall be filed with the Commission, with copies mailed to:

John R. Lundquist
Assistant Attorney General
Iowa Department of Justice
2nd Floor, Hoover State Office Building
Des Moines, Iowa 50319

Phone: 515-281-3658 john.lundquist@ag.iowa.gov In re: Christine A. Wilson IREC Case No. 20-338 Page 3 of 5

9. **RESPONDENT'S COUNSEL.** Copies of all pleadings filed with the Commission shall also be provided to Respondent's counsel of record:

NONE

- 10. **SETTLEMENT.** The procedural rules governing the Commission's settlement process are found at 193 Iowa Administrative Code 7.42. If you are interested in pursuing settlement of this matter, please contact Assistant Attorney General John R. Lundquist.
- 11. **COMMUNICATIONS.** You may not contact Commission members by phone, letter, facsimile, e-mail, or in person about this Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges. Commission members may only receive information about the case when all parties have notice and an opportunity to participate, such as at the hearing or in pleadings you file with the Commission office and serve upon all parties in the case. You should direct any questions to Assistant Attorney General John R. Lundquist at 515-281-3658, or the Commission's Executive Officer at 515-725-9026, or Fax 515-725-9032.
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STATEMENT OF CHARGES

- COUNT I

13. The Respondent is charged with having been convicted of a felony criminal offense and/or a criminal offense involving forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses, theft, arson, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or other similar offense, any offense involving moral turpitude, or other offense involving a criminal breach of fiduciary duty in a court of competent jurisdiction in this state, or in any other state, territory, or district of the United States in violation of Iowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f) (2020). See also Iowa Code § 543B.15(3) and 193E Iowa Administrative Code §§ 18.2(1) & 18.2(4).

COUNT II

14. The Respondent is charged with failing to timely notify the Commission of her conviction for a felony criminal offense and/or other criminal offense included in Iowa Code section 543B.15(3)(a) in violation of Iowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f)(1) (2020).

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CIRCUMSTANCES

- 15. On or about April 23, 2020, the Respondent entered a written plea of guilty in the Iowa District Court for Monroe County to the felony charge of Insurance Fraud Presenting False Information in violation of Iowa Code § 507E.3(2)(a). See 4/23/2020 Written Plea of Guilty, State v. Wilson, Monroe Co. No. FECR060955.
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- 17. The Respondent's criminal conviction also constitutes a criminal offense involving forgery, embezzlement, obtaining money under false pretenses, theft, arson, extortion, conspiracy to defraud, or other similar offense, an offense involving moral turpitude, and/or an offense involving a criminal breach of fiduciary duty.
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This Notice of Hearing and Statement of Charges is filed and issued on the 5th day of January, 2021.

Jewey M. Evans, Executive Officer lowa Real Estate Commission

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Copies to:

Assistant Attorney: General John Lundquist
Department of Inspections and Appeals, assigned Administrative Law Judge

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



IN THE MATTER OF:)	
)	CASE NUMBER: 20-338
Christine A. Wilson)	
Salesperson (S63687000))	ORDER TO CANCEL
SUSPENDED)	FORMAL HEARING
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10 S Main Street)	
Albia, IA 52531)	
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RESPONDENT)	

The offices of the Iowa Real Estate Commission [Commission] have received a signed settlement agreement from Respondent Christine A. Wilson [S63687000]. To permit the Commission an opportunity to review the settlement agreement at the next scheduled meeting, the formal hearing set in this matter is hereby cancelled and the matter will be rescheduled for a future date if deemed necessary.

Dated this 28th day of January 2021.

Jewey M. Evans, Executive Officer Iowa Real Estate Commission

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Salesperson (S63687000))	EMERGENCY ORDER TO
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Albia, IA 52531)	
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RESPONDENT)	

The Iowa Real Estate Commission ("Commission") enters the following emergency suspension order against Respondent **Christine A. Wilson** pursuant to Iowa Code sections 17A.18A and 543B.29(1)(f) (2020):

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. The Commission issued the Respondent real estate salesperson license number S63687000 on April 30, 2015. Although originally scheduled to expire on December 31, 2020, the Respondent's license remains in full force and effect indefinitely throughout the pendency of the COVID-19 public health emergency as provided by section 80 of the Governor's December 9, 2020 Proclamation of Disaster Emergency.
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- 3. As of the date of this filing, the Respondent's deferred judgment has not been discharged by the court and she remains under probation supervision.
- 4. The Respondent first notified Commission staff of the proceedings in *State v. Wilson*, Monroe Co. No. FECR060955 on December 30, 2020.
- 5. The crime of Insurance Fraud Presenting False Information in violation of in violation of Iowa Code § 507E.3(2)(a) constitutes a felony criminal offense.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

- 6. Iowa Code section 17A.18A authorizes the Commission to immediately suspend a license or take other appropriate emergency action in situations involving an immediate danger to the public health, safety, or welfare.
- 7. Upon notification that that a licensed real estate broker or salesperson has been convicted of a felony criminal offense, the Commission shall immediately suspend the license of that real estate broker or salesperson pending the outcome of a hearing conducted pursuant to lowa Code § 543B.35 to determine the nature of the disciplinary action, if any, the Commission will impose as a result of that conviction. See lowa Code § 543B.29(1)(f)(1). The hearing shall be conducted within thirty days of the licensee's notification to the Commission of the felony criminal conviction. Id.
- 8. The Respondent stands convicted of the felony criminal offense of Insurance Fraud Presenting False Information in violation of Iowa Code § 507E.3(2)(a). See Iowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f) (defining "conviction" to mean "a conviction for an indictable offense and includes the court's acceptance of a guilty plea, a deferred judgment from the time of entry of the deferred judgment until the time the defendant is discharged by the court without entry of judgment, or other finding of guilt by a court of competent jurisdiction.").
- 9. Because the Commission was notified of the Respondent's conviction of a felony criminal offense, the Commission has no discretion but to immediately suspend her real estate salesperson license and schedule a hearing to determine what, if any disciplinary action shall be imposed against the Respondent as a result of that felony criminal conviction. See Iowa Code § 543B.29(1)(f)(1).

<u>ORDER</u>

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Iowa real estate salesperson license number S63687000 issued to the Respondent is immediately SUSPENDED. A notice of hearing and statement of charges scheduling the hearing required by Iowa Code section 543B.29(1)(f)(1) shall be issued concurrently with this order.

Dated this 5th day of January 2021.

Jeffrey M. Evans, Executive Officer lowa Real Estate Commission