Department of Commerce Professional Licensing Bureau

BEFORE THE IOWA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION 200 EAST GRAND, SUITE 350 DES MOINES, IOWA 50309 Neronby 4, 201 Board / Commission Signally, Executive Officer

IN RE:)	
)	CASE NUMBER: 20-161
Jeremy J. Murray)	
Salesperson (S65411000))	COMBINED STATEMENT OF
)	CHARGES, INFORMAL
MMS Realty Iowa, LLC)	SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT,
254 N 114 th Street)	AND CONSENT ORDER IN A
Omaha, NE 68154)	DISCIPLINARY CASE
)	
RESPONDENT)	

The Iowa Real Estate Commission (Commission) and **Jeremy J. Murray** (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) (2020).

- 1. The Commission issued the Respondent real estate salesperson license number S65411000 on April 7, 2017. Respondent's license is current and in full force and effect through December 31, 2022. At all times relevant to this matter, the Respondent was a licensed real estate salesperson assigned to UNbrokerage LLC, a licensed real estate firm, license number F06034000, located in West Des Moines, lowa.
- 2. The Commission has jurisdiction of this disciplinary matter pursuant to Iowa Code chapters 17A, 272C, and 543B (2020). 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 by conducting real estate business independently outside of the licensed broker or firm he is assigned to in violation of Iowa Code sections 543B.24, 543B.29(1)(d), 543B.33, 543B.34(1), 543B.34(1)(f), 543B.62(3)(b) (2020). See 193E Iowa Administrative Code sections 4.1(3), 7.1(8), 7.11(1), 18.14(5)(n), 18.14(5)(s).

CIRCUMSTANCES

- 4. Commission licensing records indicate the Respondent was licensed to UNbrokerage LLC, a licensed real estate firm, license number F06034000, from October 25, 2019 to July 31, 2020.
- 5. In November 2019 and throughout July 2020, the Respondent, while assigned to UNbrokerage LLC, was practicing real estate for the licensed real estate firm, MMS Realty lowa, LLC, license number F06109000, which was a real estate brokerage that he was not assigned to.
- 6. Subsequently, the Respondent submitted a transfer application request on July 23, 2020, requesting that his license be transferred from UNbrokerage LLC to MMS Realty lowa, LLC. The transfer request was consummated on July 31, 2020 after the (electronic) signatures of both the releasing broker and new affiliated broker were obtained.
- 7. Consequently, between November 2019 and July 2020, the Respondent conducted activities in that state of Iowa requiring a real estate license outside of the licensed broker or firm that he was assigned to.

SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

- 8. Respondent admits to 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) (2021).
- 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) (2021) 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 Agreement 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 (2021).

CONSENT ORDER

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED:

- 15. <u>REPRIMAND</u>. Pursuant to 193E lowa 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 five hundred dollars (\$500.00) 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 20-161.
- 17. <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.

FOR THE RESPONDENT:

Voluntarily agreed to and accep	oted by Jeremy J. Murray on this day of	
, 2021.		
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	By: JEREMY J. MURRAY, Respondent	
State of Nebrasks)		
County of Douglas		
Signed and sworn to before me on this day of, 2021, by:		
GENERAL NOTARY - State of Nebraska KEVIN STORY My Comm. Exp. June 12, 2022	Notary Public, State of Deboska Printed Name: Kerty Story My Commission Expires: 6/12/2022	
FOR THE COMMISSION:		
Voluntarily agreed to and acception day of Nollember	oted by the IOWA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION on this, 2021.	
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	DENNIS L. STOLK, Chair	
	Iowa Real Estate Commission	