1	BEFORE THE COMMISSION OF APPRAISERS OF REAL ESTATE	
2	STATE O	F NEVADA
3	SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator,	Case No. 2021-512, AP21.038.N
4	REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND	
5	INDUSTRY, STATE OF NEVADA,	
6		STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR
7	vs.	SETTLEMENT OF DISCIPLINARY ACTION
8		FILED
9	BRADLEY W. CORN,	OCT 0 9 2024
10	(License No. A.0005827-CR),	NEVADA COMMISSION OF APPRAISERS
11	Respondent.	mgallo
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This Stipulation and Order for Settlement of Disciplinary Action (the "Stipulation") is entered into by and between the State of Nevada, Department of Business and Industry, Real Estate Division ("the Division"), through its Administrator Sharath Chandra ("Petitioner"), by and through their attorney of record, Phil W. Su, Senior Deputy Attorney General, and Respondent Bradley W. Corn, ("RESPONDENT"), by and through his attorney of record, Richard C. Blower, Esq.

19 The RESPONDENT, at all relevant times mentioned in the Complaint, was 20 licensed by the Division as a Licensed Residential Appraiser and, therefore, is subject to 21 the Jurisdiction of the Division and the Commission and the provisions of NRS 645C and 22 NAC Chapter 645C.

JURISDICTION

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The Respondent is a Certified Residential Appraiser licensed by the Division, License No. A.0005827-CR (inactive as of January 10, 2024), and therefore is subject to the Jurisdiction of the Division and the provisions of NRS and NAC Chapter 645C. By availing himself of the benefits and protections of the laws of the State of Nevada, the Respondent has submitted to the jurisdiction of the Division. 1 2

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SUMMARY OF PROCEDURAL AND FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS

The Complaint filed by the Division alleges the following Procedural and Factual Allegations against RESPONDENT:

PROCEDURAL HISTORY

On May 7, 2021, the Division received a complaint from Complainant David
 S. Jones asserting that RESPONDENT Bradley W. Corn's appraisal report (hereinafter
 "Appraisal Report") of Jones' property at 295 Andrew Ln., Reno, NV 89521, ("the
 Property") incorrectly reports that Respondent completed an interior and exterior
 inspection of the Property. [0002-0003; 0004-0011].

10 2. Instead, Complainant contends that Respondent never entered the Property
11 and only took pictures from outside. [0003].

3. On May 10, 2021, the Division issued an open investigation letter for Case
No. 2021-512, AP21.038.N, via certified mail to RESPONDENT at his address of record,
instructing him to provide his response and the entire work file and documentation to the
Division by May 24, 2021. [0146-0147].

4. On June 18, 2021, the Division sent a second letter to Respondent, via
certified mail to his address of record, indicating that it did not receive his response to the
May 10, 2021, letter by the deadline indicated and providing a further deadline of July 2,
2021, to provide response to the investigation. [0148-0150].

5. On July 26, 2021, the Division sent a third letter to Respondent, via certified
mail to his address of record, indicating that it still had not received a response to its open
investigation letter and that the Division had obtained sufficient information to seek
disciplinary action against him by filing a Complaint with the Appraisal Commission.
[0151-0153.]

6. On August 3, 2021, the Respondent emailed the Division with a response to the Complaint, indicating that "this [was] a simple misunderstanding on the part of the property owner," that "the assignment was completed on form 1004 under FHA exterior only protocol" pursuant to the "modified set of instructions... included in every report like

1	this due to COVID-19," and that the "USPAP Identification and Exposure Time form	
2	was incorrectly checked interior and exterior. An honest mistake." [0013].	
3	7. Contemporaneously with his August 3, 2021, emailed response, the	
4	Respondent also provided his work file to the Division.	
5	8. On February 9, 2023, the Division commissioned a Standard 3 Review of the	
6	Respondent's Appraisal Report, which was completed on February 27, 2023. [0110-0145].	
7	9. Following the investigation and Standard 3 Review, the investigator	
8	recommended the case be heard by the Appraisal Advisory Review Committee ("AARC").	
9	[0101-0109].	
10	FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS	
11	1. The Respondent prepared an Appraisal Report for a 1,632 sq. ft., one-story, 3	
12	br/2 bath single family residence, built in 1975 and located at 295 Andrew	
13	Ln., Reno, NV 89521, APN # 017-342-17 (the "Property"). [0016-0053].	
14	2. The Appraisal Report was generated on "Fannie May Form 1004 March	
15	2005," indicated assignment type as "Other/Reverse Mortgage" and indicated a value	
16	conclusion of \$540,000.00 by Sales Comparison Approach. [0017; 0021].	
17	3. The effective date of the report was indicated as March 10, 2021, and the	
18	date of signature of the report was March 24, 2021. [0021].	
19	4. On page 2 of the Appraisal Report under "Reconciliation," the report notes	
20	that its market value determination is "[b]ased on a complete visual inspection of the	
21	interior and exterior areas of the subject property, defined scope of work, statement of	
22	assumptions and limiting conditions, and appraiser's certification." [0017].	
23	5. On page 4 of the Appraisal Report the "Scope of Work" indicated that	
24	"The appraiser must, at a minimum: (1) perform a complete visual inspection of the	
25	interior and exterior areas of the subject property." [0019.]	
26	6. On page 5 of the Appraisal Report, Item #2 of Respondent's Certification	
27	Statement indicated that "2. I performed a complete visual inspection of the interior and	
28	exterior areas of the subject property. I reported the condition of the improvements in	
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factual, specific terms. I identified and reported the physical deficiencies that could affect
 the livability, soundness, or structural integrity of the property." [0020].

3 7. According to the Complainant, Respondent "never entered the home and
4 property only took photos from the street." [0003]

8. Included in Respondent's work file is a document entitled "FHA ExteriorOnly Inspection," which includes a modified set of instructions, Scope of Work, Statement
of Limiting Conditions, and Certification for Appraisals with FHA Exterior-only
Inspection. [0048-0051].

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9. Specifically, the Instructions for an "FHA Exterior-Only Inspection" required
10 copying and texting of the *entire text* into the modified appraisal report. [0048]

11 10. The Respondent failed to utilize the modified language in the "FHA Exterior12 Only Inspection" instructions. [0017; 0019; 0020; 0102].

13 11. In the Neighborhood section on page 1 of the Appraisal Report, Respondent
14 comments that market conditions are "stable to slightly increasing," despite steadily
15 declining median sales prices for the past year; this contradiction is not reconciled in the
16 Appraisal Report. [0016; 0103-104].

17 12. In the Improvements section on page 1 of the Appraisal Report, the 18 Respondent asserts that he "has limited information regarding the subject's 19 improvements and makes the extraordinary assumption that the condition rating is 20 accurate, that there are no latent defects, and that the improvements are in general good 21 repair," but the Respondent fails to provide an explanation for having limited information 22 or for the extraordinary assumption." [0016; 0102].

13. The Improvements section on page 1 of the Appraisal Report states "See
addendum for additional disclosures. The improvements are well maintained and feature
limited physical depreciation due to normal wear and tear," yet there are no "additional
disclosures" regarding improvements in the supplemental addendum. [0016; 0024-0030;
0103].

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14. In the Improvements section on page 1 of the Appraisal Report the

1 Respondent asserts that he "has limited information regarding the subject's 2 improvements and makes the extraordinary assumption that the condition rating is 3 accurate, that there are no latent defects, and that the improvements are in general good 4 repair," but the Respondent fails to provide an explanation for having limited information 5 or for the extraordinary assumption." [0016; 0102].

6 15. The Appraisal Report provided a Cost Approach to Value of \$379,660, 7 without reconciling it to the Value Opinion of \$540,000.00 and, instead, only indicating 8 that "the cost approach is developed for information purposes only and is not relied upon 9 in the market value conclusion." [0018; 0105].

10 16. The Appraisal Report provides an opinion of site value of \$140,000.00 11 without including an analysis of the "approx. 8 comparable vacant lot sales within the 12 past 12 months" that were used for comparison. [0018; 0103].

13 17. Following hearing of this matter by the AARC, it issued an October 17, 2023,
14 Committee Report recommending "this case be forwarded to the Commission because the
15 Respondent is not prepared, making excuses, stating he never received notification from
16 the Division." [0155-0157].

17 18. The AARC Committee Report also noted that Respondent confirmed his
18 address of record during the meeting. [0155].

19 19. The AARC Committee Report also noted that the May 10 open investigation
 20 letter was "returned undeliverable on May 24, 2021;" the June 18 letter was "returned
 21 unopened but partially signed for on July 8, 2021;" and the 233B letter dated July 26,
 2021, was signed for on August 2, 2021, after which point Respondent finally provided his
 23 work file to the Division. [0155].

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SUMMARY OF ALLEGED VIOLATIONS OF LAW

The Complaint filed by the Division alleges that RESPONDENT committed the following violations of law:

271.RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-1(b) by relying on untested or28unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property value trends, market

conditions and improvements on the property; improperly developed adjustments and 1 2 conclusions; by providing contradictory data in the Appraisal Report that is not 3 reconciled; and by improperly indicating that he conducted an interior/exterior inspection 4 when he in fact did not.

2. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-1(c) by relying on untested or 5 unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property value trends, market 6 7 conditions and improvements on the property; improperly developed adjustments and conclusions; and by providing contradictory data in the Appraisal Report that is not 8 reconciled. 9

10 3. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-2(e) by relying on untested or unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property value trends, market 11 12 conditions and improvements on the property; improperly developed adjustments and 13 conclusions; and by providing contradictory data in the Appraisal Report that is not reconciled. 14

4. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-2(f) by relying on untested or 15 16 unexplained extraordinary assumptions improvements on the property.

17 5. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-3(a) by relying on untested or 18 unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property value trends and market 19 conditions.

6. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-4(a) by relying on untested or 20 21 unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding market conditions; improperly 22 developed adjustments and conclusions; and by providing contradictory data in the 23 Appraisal Report that is not reconciled.

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7. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 1-4(b) by relying improperly 25 developed site value adjustments and conclusions.

8. 26 RESPONDENT violated Standards Rules 1-6(a) and 1-6(b) by not reconciling 27 his cost approach value to his Appraisal Report's final value opinion.

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9. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 2-1(a) by relying on untested or unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property market conditions and
 improvements on the property; improperly developed adjustments and conclusions; and
 by providing contradictory data in the Appraisal Report that is not reconciled.

4 10. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 2-1(b) by relying on untested or 5 unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding property value trends and market 6 conditions; improperly developed adjustments and conclusions; and by providing 7 contradictory data in the Appraisal Report that is not reconciled.

8 11. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 2-1(c) by relying on untested or 9 unexplained extraordinary improvements on the property, and improperly developed 10 adjustments and conclusions.

11 12. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 2-2(a)(x)(2) by not reconciling his
12 cost approach value to his Appraisal Report's final value opinion.

13 13. RESPONDENT violated Standards Rule 2-2(a)(xiii) by relying on untested
14 or unexplained extraordinary assumptions regarding improvements on the property.

15 14. RESPONDENT violated NRS 645C.460(1)(a) pursuant to NRS 16 645C.480(1)(a) by failing to address the Division's investigator's initial requests for 17 response to the Division's investigation and to produce his work file to the Division as 18 requested.

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PROPOSED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

By entering into this Stipulation, the RESPONDENT does not admit the above factual and legal allegations made by the Petitioner, but nevertheless agrees to waive his right to contest the above alleged facts and legal violations if the Stipulation is approved by the Commission. Accordingly, in an effort to avoid the time and expense of litigating these legal and factual issues before the Commission, as well as any possible further legal appeals from any such decision, and the parties desire to compromise and settle the instant controversy upon the following terms and conditions:

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1. RESPONDENT'S license (License No. A.0005827-CR) is revoked;

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RESPONDENT agrees to pay the Division a total amount of NINETEEN

1 THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED FIFTY FOUR DOLLARS and 43/100 cents (\$19,254.43) 2 ("Amount Due"), consisting of THIRTEEN THOUSAND DOLLARS AND NO CENTS 3 (\$13,000.00) in administrative fines imposed by the Division and the Division's pre-4 hearing attorney's fees in the amount of FIVE THOUSAND TWO HUNDRED TWENTY 5 NINE DOLLARS and 43/100 cents (\$5,229.43), and investigative costs incurred in the 6 total amount of ONE THOUSAND TWENTY FIVE DOLLARS AND NO CENTS 7 (\$1,025.00).

8 3. The Amount Due shall be payable to the Division in twelve (12) monthly 9 installments of ONE THOUSAND SIX HUNDRED AND FOUR DOLLARS and 54/100 10 cents (\$1,604.54), with the first payment due thirty (30) days after approval of this 11 Stipulation by the Commission. Lump sums can be made in pre-payment with no 12 penalties.

4. RESPONDENT and the Division agree that once this Agreement is approved and fully performed, the Division will close its file in this matter and the Division agrees not to pursue any other or greater remedies or fines in connection with RESPONDENT alleged conduct referenced herein. The Division further agrees that unless RESPONDENT fails to make timely payment, the Division will not bring any claim or cause directly or indirectly based upon any of the facts, circumstances, or allegations discovered during the Division's investigation and prosecution of this case.

5. RESPONDENT agrees and understands that by entering into this Stipulation, RESPONDENT is waiving his right to a hearing in each matter at which RESPONDENT may present evidence in his defense, his right to a written decision on the merits of the complaint, his rights to reconsideration and/or rehearing, appeal and/or judicial review, and all other rights which may be accorded by the Nevada Administrative Procedure Act, the Nevada Real Estate Appraisers statutes and accompanying regulations, and the federal and state Constitutions.

27 6. RESPONDENT understands that this Agreement and other documentation
28 may be subject to public records laws. The Commission members who review this matter

for approval of this Stipulation may be the same members who ultimately hear, consider,
 and decide the Complaints if this Stipulation is either not approved by the Commission or
 is not timely performed by RESPONDENT.

4 7. RESPONDENT fully understands that he has the right to be represented by 5 legal counsel in these matters at his own expense.

6 8. Each party shall bear their own attorney's fees and costs, except as provided
7 above.

9. Approval of Stipulation. Once executed, this Stipulation will be filed with the
Commission and will be placed on the agenda for approval at its next public meeting. The
Division will recommend to the Commission approval of the Stipulation. RESPONDENT
agrees that the Commission may approve, reject, or suggest amendments to this
Stipulation that must be accepted or rejected by RESPONDENT before any amendment
is effective.

14 10. Withdrawal of Stipulation. If the Commission rejects this Stipulation or
15 suggests amendments unacceptable to RESPONDENT, RESPONDENT may withdraw
16 from this Stipulation, and the Division may pursue its Complaint before the Commission.
17 This Stipulation then shall become null and void and unenforceable in any manner
18 against either party.

19 11. Release. In consideration of the execution of this Stipulation. 20 RESPONDENT for himself, his heirs, executors, administrators, successors, and assigns. 21 hereby releases, remises, and forever discharges the State of Nevada, the Department of Business and Industry, and the Division, and each of their respective members, agents, 22 23 employees, and counsel in their individual and representative capacities, from any and all manner of actions, causes of action, suits, debts, judgments, executions, claims, and 24 demands whatsoever, known and unknown, in law or equity, that RESPONDENT ever 25 26 had, now has, may have, or claim to have against any or all of the persons or entities 27 named in this section, arising out of or by reason of the Division's investigations, these 28 disciplinary actions, and all other matters relating thereto.

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1 12. Indemnification. RESPONDENT hereby agrees to indemnify and hold 2 harmless the State of Nevada, the Department of Business and Industry, Petitioner, the 3 Division, and each of their respective members, agents, employees, and counsel, in their individual and representative capacities, against any and all claims, suits, and actions 4 5 brought against said persons and/or entities by reason of the Division's investigations, 6 these disciplinary actions, and all other matters relating thereto, and against any and all 7 expenses, damages, and costs, including court costs and attorney fees, which may be 8 sustained by the persons and/or entities named in this section as a result of said claims, 9 suits, and actions.

10 13. Default. In the event of default under this Stipulation, RESPONDENT 11 agrees that his license shall be immediately suspended, and the unpaid balance of the 12 administrative fine and costs, together with any attorneys' fees and costs that may have 13 been assessed, shall be due in full to the Division within ten calendar days of the date of 14 default. Debt collection actions for unpaid monetary assessments in this case may be 15 instituted by the Division or its assignee.

16 14. RESPONDENT has signed and dated this Stipulation only after reading and
17 understanding all terms herein.

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Dated: October, 7, 2024.

NEVADA REAL ESTATE DIVISION Dept. of Business and Industry, State of Nevada

By:

SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator 3300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 350 Las Vegas, Nevada 89102

Dated: October, 4, 2024.

BRADLEY W. CORN (License No. A,0005827-CR)

/// 1 Approved as to form: 2 3 Law Office of Richard C. Blower AARON D. FORD Attorney General 4 5 /s/ Phil W. Su By: PHIL W. SU (Bar No. 10450) 6 RICHARD C. BLOWER (Bar No. 739) Senior Deputy Attorney General 2235 Green Vista Drive, Suite 309 7 1 State of Nevada Way, Ste. 100 Sparks, NV 89431 Las Vegas, Nevada 89119 (775) 674-3363 8 (702) 486-3655 Attorneys for Respondent Attorneys for Real Estate Division 9 Bradley W. Corn 10 ORDER Case No. 2021-512, AP21.038.N 11 IT IS ORDERED that the foregoing Stipulation for Settlement of Disciplinary 12 13 Action, submitted by Petitioner and Respondent, is approved in full. 14 Dated: this 9th day of <u>Dctober</u>, 2024. 15 COMMISSION OF APPRAISERS OF REAL ESTATE 16 17 President, Commission of Appraisers of Real Estate 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 2526 27 28 11