| 1  | BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION   |                    |   |
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| 3  | SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator,   |                    |   |
| 4  | REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY,  | Case No. 2017-2134 | FEB 0 7 2020                            |
| 5  | STATE OF NEVADA,  |                    | REAL ESTATE COMMISSION<br>BY July Talle |
| 6  | Petitioner,   |                    | *. ( <u>*</u> )                         |
| 7  | VS.   |                    |   |
| 8  | MANUEL CORDOVA, JR.,  |                    |   |
| 9  | Respondent.   |                    |   |
| 10 | COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF HEARING   |                    |   |
| 11 | The REAL ESTATE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY                                     |                    |   |
| 12 | OF THE STATE OF NEVADA ("Division") hereby notifies MANUEL CORDOVA, JR                                  |                    |   |
| 13 | (RESPONDENT), of an administrative hearing before the STATE OF NEVADA REAL ESTATE                       |                    |   |
| 14 | COMMISSION ("Commission"). The hearing will be held pursuant to Chapters 233B and Chapter 645           |                    |   |
| 15 | of the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Chapter 645 of the Nevada Administrative Code ("NAC")        |                    |   |
| 16 | The purpose of the hearing is to consider the allegations stated below and to determine i               |                    |   |
| 17 | RESPONDENTS should be subject to an administrative penalty as set forth in NRS 645.633 and/or NRS       |                    |   |
| 18 | 645.630 and/or NRS 622.400, and the discipline to be imposed, if violations of law are proven.          |                    |   |
| 19 | JURISDICTION  |                    |   |
| 20 | RESPONDENT MANUEL CORDOVA, JR., was at all relevant times mentioned in this                             |                    |   |
| 21 | Complaint, engaging in activities as a property manager without holding the proper permit issued by the |                    |   |
| 22 | Division and is therefore subject to the jurisdiction of the Division and the Commission, and the       |                    |   |
| 23 | provisions of NRS chapter 645 and NAC chapter 645.  |                    |   |
| 24 | FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS   |                    |   |
| 25 | 1. RESPONDENT is an owner and a manager of CanAm Real Estate Services, LLC, a Nevada                    |                    |   |
| 26 | limited liability company ("CanAm").  |                    |   |
| 27 | 2. RESPONDENT, at one time, was licensed by the Division as a salesperson under license                 |                    |   |
| 28 | number S.0180944, said license now being on closed status.  |                    |   |

- 3. The Division has not issued a permit to RESPONDENT to engage in property management.
- 4. RESPONDENT is married to Rebecca Cordova who is also a manager of CanAm.
- 5. Rebecca Cordova has also been licensed as a Broker under license B.1001423.LLC since July 17, 2014, which license is also on active status and she also holds an active property manager permit.
- 6. At all relevant times, complainant Anthony Marinaccio ("Marinaccio" and/or "Complainant") owned thirty-two rental properties in Clark County, Nevada, either individually, or through the following entities- AMV Investments, LLC and AV Rentals, LLC.
- 7. Marinaccio either individually, or through his entities, entered into several residential property management agreements with CanAm to lease and manage certain rental properties located at the following addresses: (1) 2241 Statz Street in North Las Vegas, Nevada, consisting of four units ("2241 Statz Property"), (2) 2249 Statz Street in North Las Vegas, Nevada consisting of four units ("2249 Statz Property") (collectively the "Statz Properties"), (3) 2240 Ellis Street in North Las Vegas, Nevada, consisting of four units ("Ellis Property"), (4) 1409 Henry Drive in Las Vegas, Nevada, consisting of four units ("1409 Henry Property"), 1413 Henry Drive in Las Vegas, Nevada, consisting of four units ("1413 Henry Property") (collectively the "Henry Properties"), and 2839 Judson Ave. in North Las Vegas, Nevada, consisting of six units ("Judson Property"). The properties described in this paragraph and paragraph 9 of this Complaint shall be collectively referred to as the "Properties."
- 8. CanAm entered into residential management agreements with Marinaccio for the Statz Properties, the Ellis Property, the Henry Properties, and the Judson Property.
- 9. CanAm also performed property management duties on all six units of Marinaccio's and/or his entity's property located at 180 W New York Avenue in North Las Vegas, NV ("New York Property") without entering into a residential management agreement.
- 10. Between August 29, 2017 and September 22, 2017, Marinaccio notified RESPONDENT and/or CanAm that he was terminating his management agreement with CanAm for the Properties.
- 11. On or around September 29, 2017, Marinaccio filed a complaint with the Division alleging that CanAm, Rebecca Cordova, and/or RESPONDENT mismanaged the Properties.
- 12. On October 4, 2017 the Division properly notified RESPONDENT that it was opening an investigation based on Marinaccio's complaint with the Division.

13. The Division obtained certain documents during its investigation, including CanAm's residential property management agreements with Marinaccio and/or his entities, residential lease agreements for the Properties, financial documents, and correspondence between Marinaccio and RESPONDENT.

- 14. In response to the Division's investigation, RESPONDENT admitted to providing property management services with respect to the Properties.
- 15. In his response to the Division, RESPONDENT specifically stated, "we find it appalling that the [Complainant] makes the assertion that we performed no management services."
- 16. During its investigation, the Division obtained correspondence between RESPONDENT and Marinaccio where RESPONDENT referenced property management activities performed with respect to the New York Property.
  - 17. In an email to Marinaccio, referencing the New York Property, RESPONDENT stated:

Here are some of the problems affecting the building monthly that is causing expenses month after month.

- 1. The cast iron plumbing throughout is deteriorated and the roofs from the neighboring pine tree have affected the sewer.
- 2. The plumbing belly is to [sic] shallow causing monthly back ups into units.
- 3. The flat roof needs to be replaced. It has continuous leaks.
- 4. The Window and doors need commercial security bars. As you know the standard ones are continually pried open.
- 5. Electrical Work.

As a recap the problem with throwing tens of thousands of dollars at the building is it won't do anything. We can dress it up as nice as Statz or Ellis but we or anyone else for that matter will not be able to get tenants or quality tenants to occupy the building...

I specifically remember before you purchased the building driving by and inspecting the building. In particular the roof. I remember you asking me my thought and I specifically remember telling you not to buy it.

18. At the time RESPONDENT was managing the New York Property, CanAm failed to enter into a property management agreement with Marinaccio and neither CanAm nor RESPONDENT had authority to manage the Property.

19. Even assuming that CanAm had entered into a valid, written property management agreement with Marinaccio giving CanAm authority to manage the New York Property, RESPONDENT's activities rose to the level of improperly performing duties that only a licensed broker and/or property manager may perform.

20. RESPONDENT improperly engaged in property management activities without first obtaining the proper permit from the Division to engage in such activities.

## **VIOLATIONS**

RESPONDENT has committed the following violations of law:

RESPONDENT violated NRS 645.230(1)(b) by engaging in property management activity without first obtaining from the Real Estate Division the necessary permit.

## DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

- 1. Pursuant to NRS 645.630 and NRS 645.633, the Commission is empowered to impose an administrative fine of up to \$10,000 per violation against RESPONDENT and further to suspend, revoke or place conditions on the license of RESPONDENT.
- 2. Additionally, under NRS Chapter 622, the Commission is authorized to impose costs of the proceeding upon RESPONDENT, including investigative costs and attorney's fees, if the Commission otherwise imposes discipline on RESPONDENT.
- 3. Therefore, the Division requests that the Commission take such disciplinary action as it deems appropriate under the circumstances.

## **NOTICE OF HEARING**

**PLEASE TAKE NOTICE**, that a disciplinary hearing has been set to consider the Administrative Complaint against the above-named Respondent in accordance with Chapters 233B and 645 of the Nevada Revised Statutes and Chapter 645 of the Nevada Administrative Code.

THE HEARING WILL TAKE PLACE on March 10, 2020 commencing at 9:00 a.m., or as soon thereafter as the Commission is able to hear the matter, and each day thereafter commencing at 9:00 a.m. through March 12, 2020 or earlier if the business of the Commission is concluded. The Commission meeting will be held on March 10, 2020, at the Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4401, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101. The meeting will continue on March

11, 2020 at the Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4401, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101, commencing at 9:00 a.m., and on March 12, 2020, should business not be concluded, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Grant Sawyer Building, 555 East Washington Avenue, Room 4401, Las Vegas, Nevada 89101.

STACKED CALENDAR: Your hearing is one of several hearings scheduled at the same time as part of a regular meeting of the Commission that is expected to last from March 10, 2020 through March 12, 2020, or earlier if the business of the Commission is concluded. Thus, your hearing may be continued until later in the day or from day to day. It is your responsibility to be present when your case is called. If you are not present when your hearing is called, a default may be entered against you and the Commission may decide the case as if all allegations in the complaint were true. If you have any questions please call Evelyn Pattee, Commission Coordinator at (702) 486-4074.

YOUR RIGHTS AT THE HEARING: except as mentioned below, the hearing is an open meeting under Nevada's open meeting law, and may be attended by the public. After the evidence and arguments, the commission may conduct a closed meeting to discuss your alleged misconduct or professional competence. You are entitled to a copy of the transcript of the open and closed portions of the meeting, although you must pay for the transcription.

As the Respondent, you are specifically informed that you have the right to appear and be heard in your defense, either personally or through your counsel of choice. At the hearing, the Division has the burden of proving the allegations in the complaint and will call witnesses and present evidence against you. You have the right to respond and to present relevant evidence and argument on all issues involved. You have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, and cross-examine opposing witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues involved.

You have the right to request that the Commission issue subpoenas to compel witnesses to testify and/or evidence to be offered on your behalf. In making the request, you may be required to demonstrate the relevance of the witness' testimony and/or evidence. Other important rights you have are listed in NRS 645.680 through 645.990, NRS Chapter 233B, and NAC 645.810 through 645.875.

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