| 1 | BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION | |
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| 2 | STATE OF NEVADA | |
| 3 | SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator, REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT | Case No. 2021-93 |
| 4 | OF BUSINESS & INDUSTRY, STATE OF NEVADA, | Case 110. 2021-73 |
| 5 | Petitioner, | FILED |
| 6 | VS. | AUG 1 9 2022 |
| 7 8 | JEFF BRACCO, | REAL ESTATE COMMISSION |
| 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 RESPONDENT JEFF BRACCO | |
| 13 | ("RESPONDENT") of an administrative hearing before the STATE OF NEVADA REAL ESTATI | |
| 14 | COMMISSION ("Commission"). The hearing will be held pursuant to Chapters 233B and Chapter 64. | |
| 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 if the | |
| 17 | RESPONDENT should be subject to an administrative penalty as set forth in NRS 645.235 and/or NRS | |
| 18 | 622.400, and the discipline to be imposed, if violations of law are proven. | |
| 19 | JURISDICTION | |
| 20 | RESPONDENT, at all relevant times mentioned in this Complaint, held himself out and/o | |
| 21 | otherwise performed acts as a person licensed as a Broker/Salesperson. RESPONDENT is, therefore | |
| 22 | subject to the jurisdiction of the Division and the Commission, and the provisions of NRS chapter 64. | |
| 23 | and NAC chapter 645. | |
| 24 | FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS | |
| 25 | 1. On or around July 2020, Jeff Bracco | ("RESPONDENT") of The Kase Group represented |
| 26 | the seller of real property located at 9420 West Lake Mead Boulevard, Las Vegas Nevada 89134 (th | |
| 27 | "Property"). BTS 000097-120. | |
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- RESPONDENT is licensed as a broker in California, under license number 01336201.
 BTS 000006.
- 3. At all times relevant to this Complaint, RESPONDENT did not hold any real estate license with the State of Nevada. BTS 000004-05.
- 4. At all times relevant to this Complaint, RESPONDENT was the director of The Kase Group brokerage. BTS 000028.
- 5. Kase Abusharkh, a Nevada licensed broker, is the founding principal of RESPONDENT'S brokerage and RESPONDENT'S supervisor. BTS 000026; BTS 000159.
- 6. The buyer and seller, through their respective agents, entered into a Purchase and Sale Agreement on July 16, 2020 ("PSA"), for the purchase of the Property. BTS 000097-120.
- 7. Section 11 of the PSA provides "Seller represents that it is represented by Jeff Bracco of the Kase Group ('Seller's Broker')" and if closing occurs "Seller shall pay a commission to Seller's Broker at Closing . . . in an amount equal to one percent (1%) of the Purchase Price." BTS 000108.
- 8. The Affidavit as to Broker Lien Rights lists RESPONDENT's brokerage, The Kase Group, as the selling agent/broker and provides for \$88,000 commission owed. BTS 000037.
- 9. The Seller's Settlement Statement provides for a total commission of \$88,000 for the "Broker to The Kase Group." BTS 00051-52.
- 10. On January 28, 2021, the Division sent RESPONDENT correspondence via certified mail requesting the complete transaction file for the transaction/listing 9420 W. Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89134 with a deadline of February 12, 2021. BTS 000009.
- ORDER" for Case No. 2021-93 via certified mail, noting that the Division Administrator found that RESPONDENT did not hold an active real estate broker, broker-salesperson or salesperson license, and instructing RESPONDENT to "cease and desist from engaging in the business of, acting in the capacity of or any form of advertisement and/or sale of property, assume to act as a real estate agent or any other position that requires a license in the State of Nevada from the Nevada Real Estate Division." BTS 000013-16.

12. On February 4, 2021, RESPONDENT submitted an affidavit to the Division explaining that he is a licensed real estate broker in the state of California for the Kase Group, and the buyer is a Kase Group client who sells and purchases property nationwide. RESPONDENT further explained that if the transaction closed in Nevada, The Kase Group utilized Mr. Abusharkh. BTS 000159.

VIOLATIONS OF LAW

RESPONDENT has committed the following violations of law:

13. RESPONDENT violated NRS 645.230(1)(a) as he acted as a real estate salesperson, as defined by NRS 645.040, or real estate broker as defined by NRS 645.030, without an appropriate license when he represented seller in a transaction for real property located in Nevada and advertised his brokerage services by referencing the recent sale of 9420 W. Lake Mead Blvd., Las Vegas, NV 89134.

DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

- 14. Pursuant to NRS 645.235(2), the Commission is empowered to impose an administrative fine not to exceed the amount of any gain or economic benefit that the person derived from the violation or \$5,000, whichever amount is greater.
- 15. Additionally, under NRS 622.400, 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.
- 16. 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 September 27, 2022, 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 September 29, 2022, or earlier if the business of the Commission is concluded. The Commission meeting will be held on September 27, 2022, at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor – Nevada Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102.

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27 28 The meeting will continue on each day thereafter commencing at 9:00 a.m. through September 29, 2022, at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor – Nevada Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102, until the business of the Commission is concluded.

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 September 27, 2022, through September 29, 2022, 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 Shareece Bates Administration Section Manager at (702) 486-4036.

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. A verbatim record will be made by a certified court reporter. 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.

The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the Respondent has violated NRS 645 and/or NAC 645 and if the allegations contained herein are substantially proven by the evidence presented and

| 1 | to further determine what administrative penalty is to be assessed against the RESPONDENT, if any, | |
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| 2 | pursuant to NRS 645.235, 645.633 and or 645.630. | |
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| 4 | DATED this 19 day of August, 2022. | |
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| 8 | By: SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator | |
| 9 | CHARVEZ FOGER, Deputy Administrator 3300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 350 | |
| 10 | Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 | |
| 11 12 | AARON D. FORD | |
| 13 | Attorney General | |
| 14 | By: /s/ Alma R. Orozco | |
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