BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION 1 2 STATE OF NEVADA 3 SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator, REAL ESTATE DIVISION, DEPARTMENT Case No. 2023-463 OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY, 4 STATE OF NEVADA, 5 厅门11日间 Petitioner, 6 VS. JAN 09 2024 7 CHARLES F. BOWSHIER. REAL ESTATE COMMISSION 8 (S.0036055) 9 Respondent. 10 COMPLAINT AND NOTICE OF HEARING 11 The REAL ESTATE DIVISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND INDUSTRY 12 13 OF THE STATE OF NEVADA ("Division") hereby notifies RESPONDENT CHARLES F. BOWSHIER ("RESPONDENT") of an administrative hearing before the STATE OF NEVADA REAL 14 15 ESTATE COMMISSION ("Commission"). The hearing will be held pursuant to Chapters 233B and Chapter 645 of the Nevada Revised Statutes ("NRS") and Chapter 645 of the Nevada Administrative 16 17 Code ("NAC"). The purpose of the hearing is to consider the allegations stated below and to determine if the RESPONDENT should be subject to an administrative penalty as set forth in NRS 645.630 and/or 18 NRS 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, was actively licensed as a 21 salesperson under license number S.0036055. RESPONDENT is, therefore, subject to the jurisdiction 22 23 of the Division and the Commission, and the provisions of NRS Chapter 645 and NAC Chapter 645. As of the date of this Complaint, RESPONDENT'S license is in active status. 24 25 FACTUAL ALLEGATIONS. 26 1. At all times relevant to the Complaint, the Complainant in this case did not speak English 27 and trusted the RESPONDENT to help her with the transaction documents to sell her home. NRED 000032. 28

- 2. On or about September 22, 2022, RESPONDENT provided his client, the Complainant, with his Duties Owed, which stated, amongst other duties, that the RESPONDENT shall not deal with any party to a real estate transaction in a manner which is deceitful, fraudulent or dishonest. *NRED 000185*.
- 3. On or about September 22, 2022, RESPONDENT commenced as the listing agent for Complainant's real property located at 3264 Bridge House Street, North Las Vegas, 89032 (the "Property"). NRED 000174 NRED 000183.
 - 4. The Terms of the Sale indicated the listing price shall be \$375,000. NRED 000174.
- 5. Between about October of 2022 through February of 2023, RESPONDENT'S brokerage Century 21's Compliance Coordinator sent the RESPONDENT numerous requests for missing documents and corrections regarding the Property's transaction. *NRED 000086 NRED 000112*.
- 6. On or about January 23, 2023, a purchase agreement for the Property was executed for the price of \$335,000. *NRED 000190 NRED 000201*.
- 7. On or about March 4, 2023, notice of cancellation for the purchase agreement only included the buyer's signatures. *NRED 000169*.
- 8. Thereafter, the Property went into contract numerous times and subsequently was cancelled. *NRED 000077*, *NRED 000156 NRED 000166*.
- 9. Until, on or about May 24, 2023, a purchase agreement for the Property was signed electronically at 11:38 PM by the RESPONDENT without the knowledge of his client, the Complainant, for the price of \$242,000. NRED 000114 NRED 000129.
- 10. On or about June 9, 2023, the Property escrow closed for the sales price \$242,000. *Broker NRED 000125, and NRED 000126.*
- 11. RESPONDENT, in a letter written, admitted he "made the mistake of signing for [Complainant] accepting an offer of \$242,000 when in fact the price should have been \$332,000." NRED 000028.
- 12. RESPONDENT admitted he "accept[s] full responsibility and consequences of this act." NRED 000028.

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- 13. RESPONDENT stated that he will commit to paying Complainant the amount of \$90,000 on or before December 31, 2023. *NRED 000028*.
- 14. As of October 30, 2023, RESPONDENT had not made any payments to the Complainant.

 NRED 000050 NRED 000054.

VIOLATIONS OF LAW

RESPONDENT committed the following violations of law:

- 1. RESPONDENT violated NRS 645.633(1)(i) pursuant to NAC 645.605(1) for committing deceitful, fraudulent and/or dishonest dealings by failing to do his utmost to protect the public against fraud, misrepresentation and/or unethical real estate practices when he knowingly signed his client's name electronically on the purchase agreement dated May 24, 2023.
- 2. RESPONDENT violated NRS 645.633(1)(h) pursuant to NAC 645.605(6) for committing grossly negligent and/or incompetent acts when he breached his obligation of absolute fidelity to his client's interest, when, without her knowledge, he electronically signed his client's name on the purchase agreement dated May 24, 2023 at a lowered price of \$242,000.
- 3. RESPONDENT violated NAC 645.650(2) for failing to provide paperwork timely or not at all to his broker despite repeated requests to do so.

DISCIPLINE AUTHORIZED

- 4. Pursuant to NRS 645.630 and NRS 645.633, the commission is empowered to impose an administrative fine per violation against RESPONDENT that may not exceed \$10,000, and further to suspend, revoke, or place conditions on the license of RESPONDENT;
- 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; and
- Therefore, the Division requests that the Commission take such disciplinary action as it deems appropriate under the circumstances.

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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 February 20, 2024, 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 February 22, 2024, or earlier if the business of the Commission is concluded. The Commission meeting will be held on February 20, 2024 at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor – Nevada Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 with video conferencing to the Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89706. The meeting will continue on February 21, 2024, at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor - Nevada Room with video conferencing to the Office of the Labor Commissioner, Labor Commission - Conference Room, 1818 E. College Parkway, Carson City, Nevada 89706, commencing at 9:00 a.m., and on February 22, 2024, should the business of the Commission not be concluded, starting at 9:00 a.m. at the Nevada State Business Center, 3300 West Sahara Avenue, 4th Floor - Nevada Room, Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 with video conferencing to the Division of Insurance, 1818 E. College Parkway, Suite 103, Carson City, Nevada 89102.

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 February 20, 2024 through February 22, 2024, 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 Kelly Valadez, Commission Coordinator, at (702) 486-4606.

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

1 competence. You are entitled to a copy of the transcript of the open and closed portions of the meeting, 2 although you must pay for the transcription. 3 As the Respondent, you are specifically informed that you have the right to appear and be heard 4 in your defense, either personally or through your counsel of choice. At the hearing, the Division has the 5 burden of proving the allegations in the complaint and will call witnesses and present evidence against 6 you. You have the right to respond and to present relevant evidence and argument on all issues involved. 7 8 You have the right to call and examine witnesses, introduce exhibits, and cross-examine opposing 9 witnesses on any matter relevant to the issues involved. 10 You have the right to request that the Commission issue subpoenas to compel witnesses to testify 11 and/or evidence to be offered on your behalf. In making the request, you may be required to demonstrate 12 the relevance of the witness' testimony and/or evidence. Other important rights you have are listed in 13 NRS 645.680 through 645.990, NRS Chapter 233B, and NAC 645.810 through 645.875. 14 The purpose of the hearing is to determine if the RESPONDENT has violated NRS 645 and/or 15 NAC 645 and if the allegations contained herein are substantially proven by the evidence presented and 16 to further determine what administrative penalty is to be assessed against the RESPONDENT, if any, 17 pursuant to NRS 645.235, 645.633 and or 645.630. 18 DATED this 8 day of January 2024. 19 DATED this 5th day of January 2024. 20 STATE OF NEVADA AARON D. FORD Department of Business and Industry Attorney General 21 Real Estate Division epkeegar 22 By: By: 23 CHRISTAL P. KEEGAN, ESO. SHARATH CHANDRA, Administrator CHARVEZ FOGER, Deputy Administrator Deputy Attorney General 24 3300 West Sahara Avenue, Suite 350 Bar No. 12725 Las Vegas, Nevada 89102 5420 Kietzke Lane, #202 25 Reno, Nevada 89511 (775) 687-2141 26 ckeegan@ag.nv.gov 27 Attorney for Real Estate Division 28