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BEFORE THE DEPARTMENT OF REAL ESTATE

STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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In the Matter of the Accusation of

CONOUISTAMERICA INC: and

ARTURO JESUS OCHOA, individually and as designated officer of ConquistAmerica Inc,

Respondent.

NO. H-37452 LA

DECISION

This Decision is being issued in accordance with the provisions of Section 11520 of the Government Code, on evidence of compliance with Section 11505 of the Government Code and pursuant to the Order of Default filed on October 12, 2011, and the findings of fact set forth herein are based on one or more of the following: (1) Respondent's express admissions; (2) affidavits; and (3) other evidence.

FINDINGS OF FACT

1.

On August 2, 2011, Robin Trujillo made the Accusation in her official capacity as a Deputy Real Estate Commissioner of the State of California. The Accusation, Statement to Respondent, and Notice of Defense were mailed by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Respondent at its address of record on August 18, 2011, and by regular mail on August 24, 2011.

On October 12, 2011, no Notice of Defense having been filed herein on behalf of Respondent CONQUISTAMERICA INC ("CI")

within the time prescribed by Section 11506 of the Government Code, CI's default was entered herein.

2.

CI is presently licensed and/or has license rights under the Real Estate Law, Part 1 of Division 4 of the California Business and Professions Code ("Code"), as a corporate real estate broker. CI was originally issued a corporate real estate broker license by the Department on September 6, 2005.

3.

At all times herein mentioned, CI engaged in the business of, acted in the capacity of, advertised, or assumed to act as a corporate real estate broker in the State of California within the meaning of Code Section 10131. Its activities included acting for another or others in the purchase, sale, or exchange of real property. Said activity also included soliciting borrowers and lenders and negotiating the terms of loans to be secured by liens on real property in expectation of compensation.

4.

On July 2, 2010, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of CI pertaining to the real estate sales activities described in paragraph 3, above. The audit examination covered the period of time from April 1, 2007, to March 31, 2010. The audit examination revealed numerous violations of the Real Estate Law (Part I of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code) as set forth in Audit Report LA 090189 and the exhibits and work papers attached to said audit report. Specifically, Respondent CI was found to have violated Code Sections, 10145, 10137, and 10159.5, and Sections 2731, 2831, 2832, and 2905 of Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations ("Regulations").

5.

On or about August 2, 2010, the Franchise Tax Board of the State of California suspended the powers, rights and privileges of CI pursuant to the provisions of the California Revenue and Taxation Code. The corporate powers, rights and privileges of CI remain suspended to date, in violation of Regulation 2742(c).

DETERMINATION OF ISSUES

1.

Cause for disciplinary action against Respondent CONQUISTAMERICA INC exists pursuant to Business and Professions Code Sections 10145, 10137, 10159.5, 10177(d) and 10177(f) and Regulations 2731, 2742(c), 2831, 2832, and 2905 of Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

2.

The standard of proof applied was clear and convincing proof to a reasonable certainty.

ORDER

The license and license rights of Respondent

CONQUISTAMERICA INC, under the provisions of Part I of Division

4 of the Business and Professions Code are revoked.

This Decision shall become effective at 12 o'clock noon on December 20 , 2011.

DATED: ////7 , 2011.

BARBARA J. BIGBY Acting Real Estate Commissioner

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DEFAULT ORDER

Respondent, CONQUISTAMERICA INC., having failed to file a Notice of Defense within the time required by Section 11506 of the Government Code, is now in default. It is, therefore, ordered that a default be entered on the record in this matter.

IT IS SO ORDERED E

CONQUISTAMERICA INC, and,

individually, and as designated)
officer of Conquistamerica Inc,)

Respondents.

ARTURO JESUS OCHOA,

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ACCUSATION

The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, for cause of Accusation

against CONQUISTAMERICA INC, and ARTURO JESUS OCHOA individually

and as designated officer of ConquistAmerica Inc, is informed and

alleges as follows:

1.

The Complainant, Robin Trujillo, a Deputy Real Estate

Commissioner of the State of California, makes this Accusation in her official capacity.

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All references to the "Code" are to the California

Business and Professions Code and all references to "Regulations"

are to Title 10, Chapter 6, California Code of Regulations.

3.

Respondent CONQUISTAMERICA INC ("CI") is licensed by the Department of Real Estate ("Department") as a corporate real estate broker. Respondent CI was originally licensed as a corporate real estate broker on or about September 6, 2005, with Respondent ARTURO JESUS OCHOA ("OCHOA") as its designated officer until June 03, 2010. CI currently has no designated officer, and the corporate status of CI was suspended by the California Franchise Tax Board, effective August 2, 2010.

4.

Respondent OCHOA is licensed by the Department as a real estate broker. Respondent OCHOA was originally licensed as a real estate broker on June 4, 2003. Effective June 3, 2011, Respondent's real estate broker license expired. Pursuant to Code Section 10201, Respondent has a two-year right of renewal. Pursuant to Code Section 10103, the Department of Real Estate retains jurisdiction.

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At all times mentioned, in the City of Santa Ana,
County of Orange, Respondents engaged in the business of, acted
in the capacity of, advertised, or assumed to act as real estate
brokers within the meaning of Code Sections 10131(a) and
10131(d), including the solicitation for listings of and the

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negotiation of the purchase and sale of real property or a business opportunity as the agent of others, and the solicitation of borrowers or lenders for and/or negotiation of loans, collecting payments and/or performing services for borrowers or lenders in connection with loans secured by liens on real property.

FIRST CAUSE OF ACCUSATION

(Audit of CI)

6.

On July 2, 2010, the Department completed an audit examination of the books and records of CI pertaining to the real estate sales activities described in paragraph 5, above. The audit examination covered the period of time from April 1, 2007, to March 31, 2010. The primary purpose of the examination was to determine Respondents' compliance with the Real Estate Law. The audit examination revealed numerous violations of the Code and the Regulations as set forth in the following paragraphs, and more fully discussed in Audit Report LA 090189 and the exhibits and work papers attached to said audit report.

7.

At all times herein relevant, in connection with the activities described in Paragraph 5, above, CI maintained a trust account, but no funds were deposited or disbursed during the audit period.

8.

With respect to the licensed activities referred to in Paragraph 5, and the audit examination including the exhibits and

work papers referenced in Paragraph 6, it is alleged that Respondents CI and OCHOA: Failed to maintain a columnar record of the 3 receipt and disbursement of trust funds received, but not placed in CI's trust account with regard to some earnest money deposits, in violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2831; (b) Failed to place trust funds, including earnest 8 money deposits accepted on behalf of another, including but not limited to buyers Punjabi and Hu, into the hands of the owner of 9 the funds, a neutral escrow depository, or into a trust fund 10 account in the name of the trustee at a bank or other financial 11 institution not later than three business days following receipt 12 of the funds by the broker or by the broker's salesperson, in 13 violation of Code Section 10145 and Regulation 2832; 14 (c) Misrepresented to sellers that CI held an earnest 15 money deposit from the buyer for the transaction involving 16 Bridgeway Processing Services LLC, in violation of Code Section 17 10176(a); 18 Employed and/or compensated Roberto Ruiz, who was 19 (d) licensed by the Department as a real estate salesperson, yet not 20 21 licensed under CI or OCHOA, where Roberto Ruiz negotiated the Punjabi sales transaction, in violation of Code Section 10137; 22 Failed to maintain a record of the pest control 23 (e) 24 report in one known real estate sales transaction, in violation of Regulation 2905; 25 26 (f) Used the fictitious business name "Elite Team Realty" to conduct real estate activities without obtaining a 27

1	license from the Dep	artment to conduct real estate activities
2	under that fictitioù	s business name, in violation of Code Section
3	10159.5 and Regulati	on 2731; and
4	(g) As to	Respondent OCHOA, failed to exercise
5	adequate supervision over the activities of CI to ensure	
6	compliance with the Real Estate Laws, in violation of Code	
7	Sections 10159.2 and 10177(h), and Regulation 2725.	
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9	The conduct of Respondents described in Paragraph 8,	
10	above, violated the	Code and the Regulations as set forth below:
1.1	<u>PARAGRAPH</u>	PROVISIONS VIOLATED
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13	8 (a)	Code Section 10145 and
14		Regulation 2831
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17	8 (b)	Code Section 10145 and
18		Regulation 2832
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21	8 (c)	Code Section 10176(a)
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24	8 (d)	Code Sections 10137
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1	8(e)	Regulation 2905
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. 4	8(f)	Code Section 10159.5 and
5		Regulation 2731
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8	8 (g) .	Code Sections 10159.2, 10177(h) and
9		Regulation 2725 (OCHOA)
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12	Each of the foregoing violations constitute cause for	
13	the suspension or revocation of the real estate license and	
14	license rights of Respondents under the provisions of Code	
15	Sections 10176(a), 10177(d), 10177(g), and/or 10177(h).	
16	SECOND CAUSE OF ACCUSATION	
17	(Corporate Suspension of CI)	
18	10.	
19	On or about Au	gust 2, 2010, the Franchise Tax Board of
20	the State of California suspended the powers, rights and	
21	privileges of Respondent	CI pursuant to the provisions of the
22	California Revenue and T	axation Code. The corporate powers,
23	rights and privileges of	Respondent remain suspended to date.
24	11.	
25	The conduct of	Respondent, CI, as alleged above, is in
26	violation of Section 2742(c) of Title 10, Chapter 6, California	
27	Code of Regulations, and	subjects its real estate license and

license rights to suspension or revocation pursuant to Code Section 10177(d) and (f).

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WHEREFORE, Complainant prays that a hearing be conducted on the allegations of this Accusation and that upon proof thereof, a decision be rendered imposing disciplinary action against the license and license rights of Respondents CONQUISTAMERICA INC, ARTURO JESUS OCHOA individually and as designated officer of ConquistAmerica Inc, under the Real Estate Law (Part 1 of Division 4 of the Business and Professions Code) and for such other and further relief as may be proper under other applicable provisions of law.

Dated at Los Angeles, California: Wyut 2, 201

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Deputy Real Estate Commissioner

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cc: ConquistAmerica Inc Arturo Jesus Ochoa Robin Trujillo

Audits - Isabel Beltran