REAL ESTATE AGENCY BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSIONER

In the Matter of the Unlicensed Professional Real Estate Acitivity of

ORDER ON DEFAULT

TERESA MARQUEZ

- 1.1 On September 4, 2014, the Real Estate Commissioner issued, by certified mail, a notice of intent to levy civil penalty against Teresa Marquez (Marquez). The Real Estate Agency (OREA) sent the notice of intent to Marquez's last known address of record with the OREA. The notice of intent was also mailed to Marquez by regular first class mail in a handwritten envelope.
- 1.2 On September 4, 2014, the notice of intent was sent to the following possible addresses for Marquez: a) 727 NW 28th St, Redmond, OR 97756; b) 3435 SW Lava Ave, Redmond, OR 97756; c) 1354 NE 5th St, Redmond, OR 97756; and d) 1881 SW 1st St, Redmond, OR 97756.
- 1.3 These mailings were all sent both certified and regular first class mail in a handwritten envelope.
- 1.4 On September 15, 2014, the certified mailing and regular first class mailing to 727 NW 28th St. Redmond, OR 97756 were returned to OREA as "Not Deliverable as Addressed Unable to Forward."
- 1.5 On September 26, 2014, the certified mailing for 3435 SW Lava Ave, Redmond, OR 97756 was returned to OREA as "Unclaimed Unable to Forward." On September 12, 2014, the regular first class mailing for 3435 SW Lava Ave, Redmond, OR 97756 was returned to OREA with "Not Here" written on the envelope.
- 1.6 On September 12, 2014, the certified mailing for 1354 NE 5th St, Redmond, OR 97756 was returned to OREA as "Attempted- Not known Unable to Forward." The first class mailing was not returned to OREA.

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- 1.7 On September 10, 2014, OREA received the domestic return receipt for the certified mailing to 1881 SW 1st St, Redmond, OR 97756. The return receipt was signed by Sonia Sego on September 8, 2014. The first class mailing has not been returned to OREA.
- 1.8 Over twenty (20) days have elapsed since the mailing of the notice issued in this matter and no written request for hearing has been received.
- 1.9 Copies of the entire investigation file are designated as the record for purposes of default, including any submission from respondent and all information in the administrative file relating to the mailing of notices and any responses received.

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Based upon the foregoing and upon a review of the above described investigation reports, documents and files, the Real Estate Commissioner finds:

- 2.1 Oregon Administrative Rule 863-001-0006 states, in part, that a notice of intent is properly served when deposited in the United States mail, registered or certified mail, addressed to the real estate licensee or to any other person having an interest in a proceeding before the Commissioner at the licensee's or other person's last known address of record with OREA.
- 2.2 Marquez's last known address of record with OREA was 727 NW 28th St, Redmond, OR 97756.
- 2.3 A certified mailing of the notice of intent was mailed to Marquez at her last known address of record on September 4, 2014. In addition to this address, mailings were sent to all the following addresses: a) 3435 SW Lava Ave, Redmond, OR 97756; b) 1354 NE 5th St, Redmond, OR 97756; and c) 1881 SW 1st St, Redmond, OR 97756. The certified mailing to 1881 SW 1st St, Redmond, OR 97756 was received and signed for by Sonia Sego and was not returned to OREA.
- 2.4 The mailing in the handwritten envelope has not been returned to OREA for the following addresses: 1881 SW 1st St, Redmond, OR 97756 and 1354 NE 5th St. Redmond, OR 97756. In accordance with ORS 40.135(1)(q), there is a presumption that the mailing properly addressed and placed with the U.S. Postal Service was delivered. That presumption has not been overcome by any evidence.

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2.5 Over twenty (20) days have elapsed since the mailing of the notice and no written request for a hearing has been received.

FINDINGS OF FACT

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CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

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- 3.1 On June 21, 2013, OREA received a complaint from Mary Beth Brennan (Brennan) against Michael (Miguel) Segoviano (Segoviano). Brennan alleged that Segoviano was using unlicensed staff or family members to conduct professional real estate activity.
- 3.2 On August 22, 2013, OREA opened an investigation on Segoviano. During the investigation the focus shifted to Teresa Marquez for unlicensed property management activity.
- 3.3 For the investigation, Brennan supplied copies of eight tenant leases for the Buff apartment complex located at 165 SE Buff St. Madras, OR 97741 (subject property) claiming that Marquez or Daisy Marquez (daughter of Marquez) had signed them using the initials "TMD" as property manager under the name "TMD Properties." In his interview Segoviano first stated that he had signed the leases but later acknowledged that the "two girls had helped." Later, Segoviano told the OREA staff that Marquez was the person responsible for the leases at question.
- 3.4 A "Collection of Rents Agreement" was submitted to OREA by Segoviano. The agreement was between Karoma Properties and TMD Properties LLC. This agreement refers to TMD Properties LLC managing the subject property in exchange for 5% of rent collected. This agreement was signed with the initials "TMD." The agreement stated, "The term of this agreement shall begin January 1, 2013 and end on December 31, 2013."
- Karoma Properties LLC (Karoma Properties) bought the subject property on 3.5 October 9, 2012 and sold the subject property on June 20, 2013.
- 3.6 The Secretary of State website shows Segoviano as the member and agent for Karoma Properties.
- 3.7 The Articles of Association for TMD Property Management LLC showed Marquez as the member/manager and organizer.

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- 3.8 Marquez's company, TMD Property Management LLC wrote leases for tenants at the subject property. The leases were dated during the period from August 22, 2012 to June 1, 2013.
 - 3.9 Information regarding the specific leases is as follows:
 - Unit #1 lease signed 3/18/2013, "TMD properties" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #2 lease signed 10/27/2012, "TMD Property Management" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #4, lease signed 10/11/2012, "TMD Property Management" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #5, lease signed 10/11/2012, "TMD Property Management" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #6, lease signed 5/1/2013, "Karoma Properties" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #7, lease signed 4/1/2013, "Karoma Properties" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
 - Unit #8, lease signed 8/22/2012 "TMD Property Management" is listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD Property Management."
 - Unit #9, lease signed 3/31/2013 "TMD Properties" listed as landlord and the landlord signature is "TMD."
- 3.10 The signature for the landlord was the initials "TMD," except for unit #8 which had the signature "TMD property management." No personal names were used for the signatures.
- 3.11 No licensing record of TMD Properties, TMD Property Management or Karoma Properties exists at OREA.
- 3.12 On June 24, 2014, an Oregon Judicial Information Network (OJIN) search found a case involving the subject property where Marquez was listed in the "Register of Actions." Marquez was listed as the plaintiff in a landlord/tenant case against Victoria Muldkew, tenant of the subject property.
- 3.13 The above complaint was filed on December 27, 2012 and mediation took place on January 8, 2013. A stipulated order was signed on January 8, 2013.

Violation: By signing lease agreements with tenants and receiving compensation without a real estate license, Marquez engaged in the management of real estate activity as described in ORS 696.010(11), which is a violation of ORS 696.301(3) as it incorporates ORS 696.020(2) (2011 and 2013 Edition).

ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that, pursuant to ORS 696.397, Marquez immediately cease and desist from engaging in any professional real estate activity as defined in ORS 696.010(14)(a) to (n) (2013 Edition) unless Marquez first obtains a real estate license from OREA. The Commissioner's authority for this order is under ORS 696.397.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, pursuant to ORS 696.990 and based upon the violation set forth above, Marquez pay a civil penalty in the sum of \$4,500, said penalty to be paid to the General Fund of the State Treasury by paying the same to OREA. The dates of unlicensed activity were from January 1, 2013 through June 20, 2013, for a total 171 days. Each month of unlicensed activity is considered a violation. In this instance there were five months of unlicensed activity.

OREGON REAL ESTATE AGENCY

GENE BENTLEY

Real Estate Commissioner

DATE of service: 11-13-2014

NOTICE: You are entitled to judicial review of this order. Judicial review may be obtained by filing a petition for review within 60 days from the date of service of this order. Judicial review is pursuant to the provisions of ORS 183.482.