

BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
STATE OF COLORADO

Complaint Nos. 2009020276 & 2008091242

STIPULATION AND FINAL AGENCY ORDER

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IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST THE REAL ESTATE
BROKER'S LICENSE OF SCOTT H. BULLEN, (LICENSE #ER610355),

Respondent.

IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED by and between the Colorado Real Estate Commission (the "Commission") and Respondent, as follows:

1. At all times relevant hereto, Respondent was a licensed real estate broker in the State of Colorado.
2. The Commission has jurisdiction over Respondent, Respondent's license and the subject matter of this action.
3. The Commission commenced an investigation of Respondent's activities based upon a complaint filed on the Commission's own motion or by an individual with specific knowledge of Respondent's actions.
4. The Commission notified Respondent of the complaint and of the investigation and provided to Respondent a copy of the complaint and investigative report. The Commission offered Respondent the opportunity to give written data, views and arguments concerning the complaint, the investigation and the investigative report.
5. The Commission considered all information provided in the complaint and response, if any, and found reasonable grounds exist to refer Respondent to hearing for violations of the real estate licensing law. The Commission authorized the preparation of this settlement agreement including the disciplinary terms set forth herein and set forth on Exhibit A, attached hereto and incorporated herein, as a means to resolve the matter without the need for formal hearing.
6. Respondent admits to factual findings and violations of real estate licensing law and Commission rules as set forth on in the investigative report identified on Exhibit A. The investigative report is incorporated herein by this reference.

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7. Respondent agrees to and accepts the following discipline:

a. Respondent shall be permitted to permanently surrender Respondent's Colorado real estate broker's license to the Commission. Such surrender shall be effective immediately upon execution of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order by an authorized representative of the Commission. Respondent will not seek to have his license renewed or reinstated, or apply for any professional real estate license from the State of Colorado, for a period of three years from the date of execution of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order. Any registration(s), license(s), certificate(s) and/or pocket card(s) of Respondent shall be immediately returned to the Commission. On and after the effective date of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order, Respondent shall not engage in any act requiring a real estate license as set forth in §12-61-101 and §12-61-102, C.R.S. The Commission reserves the right, notwithstanding the provisions of paragraph 8 below, to review the allegations and/or charges raised by the investigation which is identified in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 above should Respondent ever apply for any license issued by the Commission. The Commission also reserves the right to treat the permanent surrender of Respondent's real estate license in all respects and without exception as a permanent revocation of such license pursuant to §12-61-113(1), C.R.S.

b. Respondent agrees to a fine in the amount of \$7,500 (the "Fine"). The Respondent understands and acknowledges that, pursuant to section 24-34-108, C.R.S., the Executive Director of the Department of Regulatory Agencies shall impose an additional surcharge of 10% of this fine. Thus Respondent shall pay a total amount of \$8,250 (fine plus 10%). The first \$2,500 is due and payable upon execution of the Stipulation. Such fine shall be made payable to the "Colorado Real Estate Commission" and shall be paid to the Commission in good funds in one lump-sum payment when Respondent signs and returns this Stipulation and Final Agency Order to the Commission. Respondent's failure to include payment for the fine when returning this signed Stipulation and Final Agency Order to the Commission will not preclude the Commission from executing and accepting this Stipulation and Final Agency Order which has been signed by Respondent. In such event, the Commission may, in its sole discretion, execute this Stipulation and Final Agency Order signed by Respondent and treat Respondent's failure to provide payment of the fine as a failure to comply with the terms of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order. The remaining \$5,000 fine shall be permanently stayed unless Respondent attempts to re-apply for a real estate broker license. Respondent agrees that should Respondent ever attempt to re-apply for licensure as a real estate broker, the Fine shall be due and payable to the Commission in full and in one lump-sum payment prior to Respondent submitting an application for licensure as a real estate broker in the State of Colorado. Respondent and the Commission agree and understand that payment of the Fine as described herein shall not be deemed to effect a renewal or guarantee the issuance of a new license or guarantee a more favorable review of a future application for licensure. The Commission reserves the right, notwithstanding the payment of the Fine, to review the allegations, charges and admissions relating to this case should Respondent ever apply for any license issued by the Commission.

c. Respondent acknowledges that the Commission will publish this Stipulation and Final Agency Order (or a summary of the disciplinary terms provided for herein) on the Commission's website and in the "Real Estate News", a Commission publication, and will

treat this Stipulation and Final Agency Order and the investigative report as public records in the custody of the Commission.

8. It is the intent and purpose of this Stipulation to provide for the settlement of the particular issues, allegations and/or charges raised by the investigation of Respondent's activities by the Commission as set forth in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 above and as set forth in the investigative report.

9. Upon execution by all parties, this Stipulation and Final Agency Order shall represent the entire and final agreement of the parties. In the event any provision of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order is deemed invalid or unenforceable by a court of law, it shall be severed and the remaining provisions of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order shall be given full force and effect.

10. Respondent expressly agrees and acknowledges that Respondent has entered into this Stipulation and Final Agency Order knowingly and voluntarily. After the opportunity to consult with legal counsel, Respondent affirms that Respondent has read this Stipulation and Final Agency Order and fully understands its nature, meaning and content. Respondent agrees that upon execution of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order, no subsequent action or assertion shall be maintained or pursued by Respondent asserting the invalidity in any manner of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order.

11. Respondent understands and knowingly and voluntarily enters into this Stipulation and Final Agency Order. Respondent further understands and knowingly and voluntarily waives the following rights:

a. The right to a formal disciplinary hearing on the merits of the matters forming the basis of this Stipulation and Final Agency Order and the right to require the Commission to meet its burden of proof in a formal hearing;

b. The right to confront and cross-examine all witnesses against Respondent at a formal hearing;

c. The right to subpoena witnesses, present evidence and to testify on Respondent's own behalf at a formal hearing;

d. The right to be represented by counsel of Respondent's own choosing and at Respondent's expense at any stage of this proceeding;

e. The right to engage in pre-hearing discovery of the Commission's evidence; and

f. The right to appeal the Final Agency Order provided for by this Stipulation.

12. On the date upon which this Stipulation is executed by an authorized representative of the Commission, it shall become the Final Agency Order of the Commission.

EXECUTED BY THE COMMISSION this 3rd day of December 2009.

RESPONDENT-LICENSEE

COLORADO REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

Scott H. Bullen
Respondent-Licensee

By: Erin Toll
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EXHIBIT A
Stipulation and Final Agency Order

Respondent Name: **Scott H. Bullen**
License Number: **ER610355**
Complaint Number: **2009020276**

Admissions: Respondent neither admits nor denies the facts contained in the investigative reports dated March 23, 2009 and June 24, 2009. The Respondent agrees however, that the facts revealed in the investigation if proven at a hearing held pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act, §§24-4-104 and 105, C.R.S. would constitute a violation of §§12-61-113(1)(a); 12-61-113(1)(n); and 12-61-113(1)(k), C.R.S. and Commission Rule E-5 and E-29 and would properly subject the Respondent to the imposition of the discipline provided for herein.

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