## MARYLAND REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

BEFORE THE

MARYLAND REAL

V.

ESTATE COMMISSION

**ALICIA HINES** 

CASE NO. 2023-RE-496

## CONSENT ORDER AND SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT

This matter comes before the Maryland Real Estate Commission ("Commission") as the result of a complaint filed by Danika Lindler ("Complainant"). Based on the complaint, the Commission determined that administrative charges against Alicia Hines, the Respondent Real Estate Agent ("Respondent"), license registration number 05-625405, are appropriate and that an administrative hearing on those charges should be held. The Commission transmitted the matter to the Office of Administrative Hearings ("OAH"). The OAH scheduled a hearing for May 22, 2025.

Prior to the hearing, the Commission and the Respondent agreed to enter into this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement to provide for the imposition of disciplinary measures which are fair and equitable in these circumstances and which are consistent with the best interest of the people of the State of Maryland.

The Commission and the Respondent agree and stipulate as follows:

- Respondent Alicia Hines is currently licensed by the Commission as a Real Estate Broker and holds license registration number 05-625405. At all times relevant to the matters set forth in this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement, the Commission has had jurisdiction over the subject matter and the Respondent.
- On or about May 24, 20228, Complainant entered into a Real Estate Consulting Agreement with the Respondent to locate or obtain residential real estate for purchase for \$14,000.00.
  - Respondent took valuable consideration from someone other than a real estate broker. 3.
- The Respondent admits that she has violated §17-322(b)(21)(25) and (33) of the Business Occupations and Professions Article and COMAR 09.11.02.01C, as alleged by the Commission in its Statement of Charges and Order for Hearing, which is attached hereto as Exhibit A and incorporated by reference fully herein.
  - 5. The Respondent, by entering into the Consent Order and Settlement Agreement,

expressly waives the right to an administrative hearing on the charges and the making of Findings of Fact and Conclusions of Law, any and all further proceedings before the Commission to which the Respondent may be entitled in this matter and any rights to appeal from the Commission's Order.

- 6. The Respondent consents to the entry of an Order that his conduct violated§17-322(b)(21)(25) and (33) of the Business Occupations and Professions Article and COMAR 09.11.02.01C and agrees to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$2,500.00 within thirty (30) days of execution of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement.
- 7. If the Respondent does not pay the civil penalty within the prescribed thirty (30) days, the Respondent's license registration number 05-625405 will be automatically suspended until the fine is paid.

ORDERED, that the Respondent's conduct violated §17-322(b)(21)(25) and (33) of the Business Occupations and Professions Article and COMAR 09.11.02.01C; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that the Respondent shall pay a civil penalty of \$2,500.00 within thirty (30) days of the execution of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that if the Respondent does not pay the civil penalty within the prescribed thirty (30) days, the Respondent's license registration number 05-625405 will be automatically suspended until the payment is made; and it is further

ORDERED, that this matter shall be resolved in accordance with the terms of this Consent Order and Settlement Agreement, and that the same shall be reflected among the records of the Maryland Real Estate Commission; and it is further

**ORDERED**, that this Consent Order shall constitute a Final Order of the Maryland Real Estate Commission.

6-3-2025 Date

Respondent Alicia Hines

MARYLAND REAL ESTATE COMMISSION:

6/13/25 Date

