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# STATE OF WISCONSIN BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE BOARD

# IN THE MATTER OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS AGAINST

#### FINAL DECISION AND ORDER

DALE G. STROHBEEN, RESPONDENT.

Order OOOOQUOLO

Division of Enforcement Cases #08 REB 52/53

The parties to this action for the purposes of Wis. Stat. § 227.53, are:

Dale G. Strohbeen 465 Grand Ave. New Richmond, WI 54017

Wisconsin Real Estate Board P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

Department of Regulation and Licensing Division of Enforcement P.O. Box 8935 Madison, WI 53708-8935

## PROCEDURAL HISTORY

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final decision of this matter, subject to the approval of the Board. The Board has reviewed this Stipulation and considers it acceptable.

Accordingly, the Board in this matter adopts the attached Stipulation and makes the following:

### **FINDINGS OF FACT**

- 1. Respondent Dale G. Strohbeen, (d.o.b. 12/28/47), is and was at all times relevant to the facts set forth herein a real estate broker licensed in the State of Wisconsin pursuant to license #39797-90, originally granted on 2/2/87.
- 2. On or about 11/29/07, Respondent listed two units for sale in a condominium development which had been foreclosed upon by a lender. Upon receiving the listing, Respondent observed that other listings by other brokers for condominiums in this development stated (in the multiple listing service list for the area) that there were no association dues, and Respondent listed these two properties in the same manner.

- 3. Respondent did not attempt to contact the condominium association or other primary source to determine the facts with respect to any required payments by owners in the development, and in fact there was a required \$20/mo fee for a common irrigation system.
- 4. Respondent subsequently informed the buyers of each of the properties, in response to direct questions through their own brokers or salespersons, that there were no association dues associated with the properties, and the buyers of each of the two properties purchased the homes with that understanding, in early 2008. This statement was incorrect, although given in subjective good faith.

#### **CONCLUSIONS OF LAW**

- A. The Wisconsin Real Estate Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 425.14(3), and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).
- B. The conduct described in paragraphs 2-4, above, violated Wis. Adm. Code § RL 24.03(2)(b). Such conduct constitutes unprofessional conduct within the meaning of the Code and statutes

## **ORDER**

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, that the attached Stipulation is accepted.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Dale G. Strohbeen is REPRIMANDED for his unprofessional conduct in this matter.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent shall, no later than 8/31/10, demonstrate successful completion of three hours of continuing education in the area of consumer protection disclosures [Wis. Adm. Code § RL 25.02(2)(b)1.], which shall have been pre-approved by the Board or its designee. None of these hours may be used to satisfy Respondent's biennial continuing education requirement, and the required hours are in addition to that requirement.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that Respondent shall pay COSTS in this matter in the amount of \$1,750, by October 20, 2010.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.51(3), and Wis. Adm. Code ch. RL 6, violation of any of the terms of this Order may be construed as conduct imperiling public health, safety and welfare and may result in a summary suspension of Respondent's license. The Board in its discretion may in the alternative impose additional conditions and limitations or other additional discipline for a violation of any of the terms of this Order. In the event Respondent fails to timely submit full payment of the Costs as set forth above, or fails to demonstrate compliance with the ordered continuing education, the Respondent's license SHALL BE SUSPENDED, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has paid the Costs in full,

together with any accrued interest, AND demonstrated successful completion of the required education.

Dated this June 24, 2010.

WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE BOARD, by:

a member of the board

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