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STATE OF WISCONSIN  
BEFORE THE REAL ESTATE BOARD

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IN THE MATTER OF THE DISCIPLINARY :  
PROCEEDINGS AGAINST :  
: FINAL DECISION AND ORDER  
KIM C. MAURER, :  
RESPONDENT. : **ORDER 0000908**

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Division of Enforcement Case No. 08 REB 063

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

Kim C. Maurer  
2835 W. College Avenue  
Appleton, WI 54914

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

The parties in this matter agree to the terms and conditions of the attached Stipulation as the final disposition of this matter, subject to the approval of the Real Estate Board (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, Conclusions of Law and Order:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. Respondent Kim C. Maurer is licensed in the State of Wisconsin as a Real Estate Broker, having license number 90-24170. This license was first granted to him on August 21, 1980. The license is current through December 14, 2012.
2. The most recent address on file with the Department of Regulation and Licensing ("Department") for Mr. Maurer is: 2835 W. College Avenue, Appleton, WI 54914.
3. On April 11, 2008, the Department received a consumer complaint alleging that real estate salesperson Dianne M. DeGroot (#94-31762; granted on: 09/20/89; current through: 12/14/12) from Acre Realty 21, LLC only returned part of the Complainant's earnest money. At the time of this complaint, Ms. DeGroot was employed at Great American Homes (currently

known as Acre Realty 21, LLC) where Mr. Maurer was the supervising broker from 1993 until July 2007. The consumer complaint was subsequently opened for investigation.

4. Between January 1, 1997 and June 6, 2008, Ms. DeGroot was not licensed to practice real estate in Wisconsin. Mr. Maurer was the supervising broker over Ms. DeGroot during the periods of January 1997 through July 2007.

#### CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Real Estate Board has jurisdiction to act in this matter pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 452.14, and is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(5).

2. By the conduct described in the Findings of Fact, Respondent Kim C. Maurer has violated:

- Wis. Admin. Code § RL 17.07 by failing to ensure that Dianne M. DeGroot was properly licensed to practice as a real estate salesperson from January 1997 through July 2007.

#### ORDER

**NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that:

1. The attached stipulation is accepted.
2. Respondent Kim C. Maurer is hereby **REPRIMANDED**.
3. Respondent Kim C. Maurer shall pay **COSTS** in the amount of **SIX HUNDRED DOLLARS (\$600.00)** and a forfeiture in the amount of **ONE THOUSAND DOLLARS (\$1,000.00)** within 90 days of the date of this Order.
4. Payment shall be made payable to the Wisconsin Department of Regulation and Licensing and sent to:

Department Monitor  
Division of Enforcement  
Department of Regulation and Licensing  
P.O. Box 8935, Madison, WI 53708-8935  
Telephone (608) 267-3817, Fax (608) 266-2264

5. 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 Respondents' licenses. 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 payment of the costs and forfeiture as ordered and as set forth above, then Respondent's license (number 90-24170) may, in the discretion of the board or its designee, be **SUSPENDED**, without further notice or hearing, until Respondent has complied with payment of costs and forfeiture.

6. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

Dated this 23 day of June, 2011.

**WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE BOARD**

By: 