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| IN THE MATTER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF | : |                          |
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|                                     | : | FINAL DECISION AND ORDER |
| AHMED AWADALLAH,                    | : | FOR REMEDIAL EDUCATION   |
| LICENSEE.                           | : | ORDER 000780℃            |

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 APP 050

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

Ahmed Awadallah Phoenix, AZ 85016

Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers Board P.O. Box 8366 Madison, WI 53708-8366

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190 Madison, WI 53707-7190

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 Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers 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. Licensee Ahmed Awadallah (Birth Year 1967) is certified by the State of Wisconsin as a certified residential appraiser, having certificate of licensure and certification number 1830-9, first issued on March 22, 2011 and current through December 14, 2023. Licensee's most recent address on file with the Wisconsin Department of Safety and Professional Services (Department) is in Phoenix, Arizona 85016.

2. On September 25, 2020, the Department received a complaint alleging that Licensee performed an inadequate appraisal. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance (DLSC) subsequently opened Case Number 20 APP 050 for investigation.

3. On September 9, 2020, Licensee performed an appraisal of a property located at 112 E. Vine Street, Milwaukee, Wisconsin 53212.

4. Licensee's appraisal was reviewed by the DLSC and was found to be deficient in the following ways:

- a. In the Site section of the report, Licensee misreported the subject's Highest and Best Use (HBU). [Uniform Standards for Professional Appraisal Practice (USPAP) Standards Rule (SR) 1-1(c) and SR 2-1(a)]
- b. In the Comparable Rental section of the report, Licensee failed to use current rental data and current market rent income. [SR 1-4(c)(i) and SR 2-1(b)]
- c. In the Sales Comparison, Licensee failed to use comparable properties and to have support for adjustments in the report and in the workfile. [SR 1-1(a) and SR 1-4(a), Record Keeping Rule]

5. Licensee agrees that failure to submit proof of successful completion of the ordered education as set forth below shall constitute conduct which reflects adversely on his fitness to practice as a real estate appraiser as set forth in Wis. Admin. Code § SPS 86.01(13).

6. In resolution of this matter, Licensee consents to the entry of the following Conclusions of Law and Order.

## CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

1. The Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers Board is authorized to enter into the attached Stipulation pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§ 227.44(5) and 458.26.

### **ORDER**

1. The attached Stipulation is accepted.

2. Within 90 days of the date of this Order, Licensee shall, at his own expense, take and successfully complete 30 hours of education as follows:

- a. National USPAP course (15 hours) (must be taken online).
- b. Appraiser Self Protection: Documentation and Record Keeping (4 hours).
- c. Complex Properties: The Odd Side of Appraisal (7 hours).
- d. The Appraisal of 2-4 Unit Properties (4 hours).
- e. Each course attended in satisfaction of this Order must be offered by a provider pre-approved by the Board or its designee. Licensee shall be responsible for locating course(s) satisfactory to the Board and for obtaining the required approval of the course(s) from the Board or its designee. Licensee must take and pass any exam(s) offered for the course(s).
- f. Licensee shall submit proof of successful completion of the education in the form of verification from the institution providing the education to the Department Monitor at the address stated below. None of the education

completed pursuant to this requirement may be used to satisfy any continuing education requirements that have been or may be instituted by the Board or Department and may not be used in any future attempt to upgrade a credential.

3. Requests for course approval and proof of successful course completion shall be sent by Licensee to the Department Monitor at the address below:

Department Monitor Division of Legal Services and Compliance Department of Safety and Professional Services P.O. Box 7190, Madison, WI 53707-7190 Telephone (608) 266-2112; Fax (608) 266-2264 <u>DSPSMonitoring@wisconsin.gov</u>

Licensee may also submit this information online at: https://dspsmonitoring.wi.gov/

- 4. This Order does not constitute discipline.
- 5. This Order is effective on the date of its signing.

WISCONSIN REAL ESTATE APPRAISERS BOARD

by:

Cal N. Chur.

A Member of the Board

2/1/2022 Date

| AHMED AWADALLAH,<br>LICENSEE.       | • | order 000780 ර |
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| IN THE MATTER OF THE CERTIFICATE OF | : | STIPULATION    |

Division of Legal Services and Compliance Case No. 20 APP 050

Licensee Ahmed Awadallah and the Division of Legal Services and Compliance, Department of Safety and Professional Services stipulate as follows:

1. This Stipulation is entered into as a result of a pending investigation by the Division of Legal Services and Compliance. Licensee consents to the resolution of this investigation by Stipulation.

2. Licensee understands that by signing this Stipulation, Licensee voluntarily and knowingly waives the following rights:

- the right to a hearing on the allegations against Licensee, at which time the State has the burden of proving those allegations by a preponderance of the evidence;
- the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against Licensee;
- the right to call witnesses on Licensee's behalf and to compel their attendance by subpoena;
- the right to testify on Licensee's own behalf;
- the right to file objections to any proposed decision and to present briefs or oral arguments to the officials who are to render the final decision;
- the right to petition for rehearing; and
- all other applicable rights afforded to Licensee under the United States Constitution, the Wisconsin Constitution, the Wisconsin Statutes, the Wisconsin Administrative Code, and other provisions of state or federal law.

3. Licensee is aware of Licensee's right to seek legal representation and has been provided an opportunity to obtain legal counsel before signing this Stipulation. Licensee is represented by Attorney Craig Capilla.

4. Licensee agrees to the adoption of the attached Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education by the Wisconsin Real Estate Appraisers Board (Board). The parties to the Stipulation consent to the entry of the attached Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education without further notice, pleading, appearance or consent of the parties. Licensee waives all rights to any appeal of the Board's order, if adopted in the form as attached.

5. If the terms of this Stipulation are not acceptable to the Board, the parties shall not be bound by the contents of this Stipulation, and the matter shall then be returned to the Division of Legal Services and Compliance for further proceedings. In the event that the Stipulation is

not accepted by the Board, the parties agree not to contend that the Board has been prejudiced or biased in any manner by the consideration of this attempted resolution.

6. The parties to this Stipulation agree that the attorney or other agent for the Division of Legal Services and Compliance and any member of the Board ever assigned as an advisor in this investigation may appear before the Board in open or closed session, without the presence of Licensee, for purposes of speaking in support of this agreement and answering questions that any member of the Board may have in connection with deliberations on the Stipulation. Additionally, any such advisor may vote on whether the Board should accept this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education.

7. Licensee is informed that should the Board adopt this Stipulation, the Board's Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education is a public record and will be published in accordance with standard Department procedure.

8. The Division of Legal Services and Compliance joins Licensee in recommending the Board adopt this Stipulation and issue the attached Final Decision and Order for Remedial Education.

The for-

Ahmed Awadallah, Licensee Phoenix, AZ 85016 Credential No. 1830-9

Craig Capilla, Attorney for Licensee Franklin, Greenswag, Channon & Capilla, LLC 181 Waukegan Rd #205 Northfield, IL 60093

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Alicia Kennedy, Prosecuting Attorney Division of Legal Services and Compliance P.O. Box 7190 Madison, W1 53707-7190

12-28-2021

Date

12/28/2021

<u>1/7/2022</u> Date