## THE REAL ESTATE COUNCIL OF ALBERTA

| Case Number:              | 014537.001                                    |
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| Name on License:          | Henry Chu                                     |
| License Sector and Class: | Real Estate Associate                         |
| Current Brokerage         | Not Licensed                                  |
| Conduct Brokerage:        | EXP Realty of Canada Inc. O/A EXP Realty      |
| Process:                  | A Hearing under Part 3 of the Real Estate Act |

## NOTICE OF HEARING

TO: Henry Chu

A hearing is set to review allegations about your conduct. Read this entire document to see what you must do.

#### Hearing Information

| Date:                 | February 18, 2025                                  |  |
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| Time:                 | 9:00 a.m.  |  |
| Venue:                | Virtual Hearing                                    |  |
| Hearing Panel:        | Anna Turcza-Karhut                                 |  |
|                       | Jessica Puddicombe                                 |  |
|                       | Colleen Roenspies                                  |  |
|                       | (Alternates: Joanne Archibald, Bradley Woodward, & |  |
|                       | Jennifer Lucas)                                    |  |
| Counsel to the Panel: | Marc Matras, Gowling WLG                           |  |

It is alleged that the following conduct is deserving of sanction:

- 1. Between May 24 and 25, 2023, you made representations that were reckless or intentional and that misleads or deceives any person or is likely to do so, contrary to section 42(a) of the *Real Estate Act Rules*:
  - a. You conveyed to Ms. Komant, another real estate associate, that multiple offers were present on a property you were selling. This assertion was false and triggered an escalation clause to come into effect, potentially resulting in Ms. Komant's client paying a higher price for the property had the transaction completed.
- In or around May 25, 2023, you participated in fraudulent or unlawful activities in connection with the provision of services contrary to section 42(b) of the *Real Estate Act Rules*:
  - a. You created a fraudulent purchase contract and sent this contract to Ms. Komant.

# Virtual Hearings

Hearings at RECA are conducted virtually. The Hearing Administrator will provide you with the Guide to Virtual Hearings and you will receive help in participating in the virtual process.

## Why You Should Attend the Hearing

The hearing is your opportunity to respond to the allegations and state your side of the case in front of the Panel.

## Learn About the Hearing Process

Please read these guides on the RECA website

https://www.reca.ca/complaints-discipline/hearings-information-procedures/

• Hearing and Appeal Practice and Procedures Guidelines and

- How to Represent Yourself at a Real Estate Council of Alberta Hearing or Appeal
- RECA Self-Represented Program

## Before the Hearing

You will receive full disclosure of all evidence gathered by the Registrar relevant to the allegations in this Notice of Hearing for your review. This disclosure is for use in the conduct proceedings only and you may not use it for any other purpose.

You are also invited to meeting with Counsel for the Registrar prior to the hearing to consider entering agreement on non-contested matters such as:

- An admission of conduct deserving of sanction
- An agreement on facts
- An agreement on breaches
- An agreement on a finding of conduct deserving of sanction
- An agreement on sanction and/or costs.

Admissions or agreements can reduce the time and costs of the hearing.

# What You Should Bring to the Hearing

Bring any witnesses and evidence you want the Panel to consider, with you to the hearing.

# What Will Happen If You Don't Attend

If you do not attend the Panel may proceed to make a decision without you.

# What Will Happen At the Hearing

After hearing all evidence and argument the Panel will decide whether the Registrar has proven any of the breaches. If no breach is proven you will face no sanction. If the Panel finds a breach is proven the Panel may do one or more of the things listed in **section 43** of the *Real Estate Act*:

- Cancel or suspend your authorization
- Order you to pay a fine for each breach
- Order you to pay the cost of the investigation and the hearing
- Order you to complete an education course

#### Submitting Written Arguments After the Evidence

You can ask the Panel to allow you to provide written arguments at the end of presentation of evidence. The Panel will give directions on how this may be done.

## You Can Get Legal Advice

You may get legal advice and may be represented by legal counsel at the hearing. If you do not have a representative please read information for unrepresented Licensees here:

https://www.reca.ca/complaints-discipline/hearings-information-procedures/

## If You Object to a Panel Member

Please review who is on the Panel. If you object to any of the people being on the Panel, you must advise the Hearings Administrator **who you object to and why within 14 days** of receiving this Notice.

If you do not object to the Panel within 14 days, this Panel will conduct the hearing.

#### Postponing the Hearing

If you are not available on the date set for the hearing you can apply to the Panel for a new date. Contact the lawyer for the Registrar and the Hearings Administrator as soon as possible if you need a new date.

Dated at Calgary, Alberta, on \_\_\_\_\_

(date)

-Signature-Warren Martinson, Registrar Real Estate Council of Alberta

Contact Information:

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