STATE OF RHODE ISLAND AND PROVIDENCE PLANTATIONS DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION JOHN O. PASTORE CENTER, BLDG. 68 1511 PONTIAC AVENUE CRANSTON, RHODE ISLAND 02920

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IN THE MATTER OF:	:	
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JORGE E. MURALLES,	•	DBR No. 11-L-0094
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ORDER OF REVOCATION

Pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws §§ 5-20.5-1, *et seq.*, 42-14-16, and 42-35-14, the Director ("Director") of the Rhode Island Department of Business Regulation ("Department") hereby issues this Order of Revocation ("Order") revoking the real estate salesperson's license of Jorge E. Muralles ("Respondent").

I. STATEMENT OF FACTS

RESPONDENT.

- 1. Respondent was initially licensed by the Department as a real estate salesperson July 21, 2004 under license number S30602.
- 2. On or about July 18, 2011, the Department received a complaint against the Respondent alleging that the Respondent violated provisions of Title 5, Chapter 20.5 of the R.I. Gen. Laws during a real estate transaction which took place in the City of Newport, Rhode Island.

- 3. On or about June 27, 2012, the Director issued Respondent a Notice of Intent to Revoke License and Provide Opportunity for Hearing ("Notice") based upon the complaint against him.
- 4. The Notice of Intent to Revoke was sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, and also by certified mail, return receipt requested, to Respondent's last known business address on record with the Department.
- 5. Upon information and belief, the Respondent has been deported from this country for criminal acts relative to the facts alleged in the attached Notice.
- 6. The Respondent does not meet the qualifying criteria for licensure as a real estate salesperson, as set forth in R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-20.5-3, which provides that the applicant for a real estate salesperson's license must be a citizen or legal resident of the United States.
- 7. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-20.5-14(a)(15) authorizes the Department to suspend or revoke a license where a licensee violates any rule or regulation promulgated by the Commission or the Department.
- 8. R.I. Gen. Laws § 5-20.5-6(b) authorizes the Department, to suspend, revoke or refuse to renew a real estate salespersons license upon proof that it was obtained by fraud or misrepresentation or that the holder of the license has been guilty of fraud or misrepresentation or criminal acts in the performance of his or her functions, or upon proof that the holder of the license has violated this statute or any rule or regulation issued pursuant to this statute.

III. RECOMMENDATIONS

Based on Respondent's violations as alleged, failing to meet the licensing criteria for a real estate salesperson license as he is not a citizen or legal resident of the United States as evidenced by his deportation from this country by the Department of Homeland Security, and his failure to respond to requests for information from the Department, the Hearing Officer recommends that the Respondent's real estate salesperson's license (S30602) be revoked forthwith.

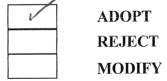
Dated: 7/19/12

Ellen R. Balasco, Esq.

Hearing Officer

ORDER

I have read the Hearing Officer's Recommendation in this matter, and I hereby take the following action with regard to the Recommendation:



It is hereby ORDERED that Respondent's real estate broker license is revoked

pursuant to R.I. Gen. Laws § 42-35-14.

Dated: 7-20-2012

Paul McGreevy

Director

ENTERED as Administrative Order 12-046, on the 23 rd day of July ,2012.

THIS ORDER OF REVOCATION CONSTITUTES A FINAL DECISION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS REGULATION PURSUANT TO RHODE ISLAND GENERAL LAWS TITLE 42, CHAPTER 35. AS SUCH, THIS ORDER MAY BE APPEALED TO THE SUPERIOR COURT SITTING IN AND FOR THE COUNTY OF PROVIDENCE WITHIN THIRTY (30) DAYS OF THE DATE OF THIS ORDER. SUCH APPEAL, IF TAKEN, MAY BE COMPLETED BY FILING A PETITION FOR REVIEW WITH THE COURT. RESPONDENT'S LICENSE SHALL BE REVOKED EFFECTIVE THE DATE OF THIS ORDER.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify on this <u>13</u> day of June 2012, that a true copy of the within Order and Notice was sent by first class mail, postage prepaid, and also by certified mail, return receipt requested, to: Jorge Muralles, Newport Real Estate Company, 1 Commercial Wharf Suite #1, Newport, RI 02840; and by electronic mail to the following parties at the Department of Business Regulation:

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Maria D'Alessandro, Deputy Director of Commercial Licensing, Racing and Athletics William J. DeLuca, Real Estate Administrator Ellen R. Balasco, Esq., Deputy Chief of Legal Services