# STATE OF OKLAHOMA

In the Matter of KEVIN G. PIXLEY,	)	
	)	Complaint #18-013
Respondent.	)	

# BOARD'S DECISION AS TO ACCEPTANCE OF AFFIDAVIT OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

NOW ON THIS 5<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019, the above numbered and entitled cause came on for hearing before the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board (the "Board" or "OREAB"). The Board was represented by its legal counsel, Bryan Neal, Assistant Attorney General. Respondent appeared not. On or about March 29, 2019 the Respondent signed a sworn and notarized Affidavit of Voluntary Surrender of Appraiser Credential in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceedings (the "Affidavit"). The contents of the Affidavit are incorporated herein by reference and the Affidavit is attached hereto as Exhibit "A."

The Board, being fully advised in this matter, including receipt of an email from Kevin Holmes, legal counsel for the Respondent, Kevin G. Pixley, that his client waives the requirement that a member of the Board's Probable Cause Committee recuse from participation in any matter previously presented to and addressed by the Board's Probable Cause Committee of which the Board Member has participated so that a quorum of the board members is constituted in order to allow this matter to be heard at the April 5<sup>th</sup> regular session board meeting.

### **JURISDICTION**

1. The OREAB has the duty to carry out the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act as set forth at Title 59 of the Oklahoma Statutes, §§858-701, et seq. and to establish administrative procedures for disciplinary proceedings conducted pursuant to the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act.

2. The OREAB has promulgated rules and regulations to implement the provisions of the Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act in regard to disciplinary proceedings as set forth at the Oklahoma Administrative Code, §§600:15-1-1 thru 600:15-1-22, including administrative hearings.

3. The Respondent KEVIN G. PIXLEY is a certified residential appraiser in the State of Oklahoma, holding certificate number 12534CRA and was first licensed with the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board on September 30, 2002.

### **FINAL ORDER**

WHEREFORE, the Board hereby accepts the Affidavit of Voluntary Surrender in Lieu of Disciplinary Proceedings under the terms and conditions set forth by Paragraph 1-17, inclusive, of the Affidavit of the Respondent, Kevin G. Pixley, evidencing his knowledge and voluntary surrender of his appraiser credential in lieu of disciplinary proceedings by the Board.

IT IS SO ORDERED on this 5<sup>TH</sup> day of April, 2019

**ERIC SCHOEN**, Administrative Officer

Real Estate Appraiser Board

PRVAN KIFAL

Assistant Attorney General and

Attorney for the Board

#### **CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

I, Kayla Dekat, hereby certify that on the  $1^{st}$  day of May, 2019 a true and correct copy of the above and foregoing Board Order was placed in the U.S. Mail, with postage pre-paid, by certified mail, return receipt requested to:

Kevin G. Pixley PO Box 1209 Van Buren, AR 72957-1209 9214 8902 0982 7500 0200 20

Kevin Holmes HOPKINS & HOLMES 402 E. Main Street Van Buren, AR 72956 9214 8902 0982 7500 0200 37

and by First Class Mail to:

Bryan Neal, Assistant Attorney General OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL 313 N.E. 21<sup>st</sup> Street Oklahoma City, OK 73105

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## STATE OF OKLAHOMA REAL ESTATE APPRAISER BOARD

Post Office Box 53408 Oklahoma City, Oklahoma 73152-3408

## AFFIDAVIT OF VOLUNTARY SURRENDER OF APPRAISER CREDENTIAL IN LIEU OF DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS

, Kevin G. Pixley	, being of lawful age,	swear and	affirm under	penalty of	f perjury,	that:
(Print full name of individual surrendering credential	)					

- 1. I hold an appraiser credential as a (check the appropriate box and enter certificate or license number):
  - X Certified Residential Appraiser, credential # 12534CRA;
- I desire to surrender my appraisal credential.
- 3. I am freely and voluntarily surrendering my appraisal credential,
- 4. In surrendering my credential, I am not subject to any duress or coercion.
- I am aware that following grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s) are pending against me (please enter grievance, complaint, and/or control number(s); if there are more than 18 pending matters, complete another affidavit):

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- The contents of the above grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s) and the contents of any
  investigative or disciplinary files of the above pending grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s)
  are incorporated herein by reference.
- 7. I am aware that the allegations set forth in the above pending grievance(s), investigation(s), and/or board complaint(s), if proven, would constitute violations of the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Act and/or the rules promulgated pursuant thereto, for which I could subject to be discipline by the Board, up to and including revocation of my appraiser credential.
- 8. I am fully aware of my rights to contest the allegations pending against me. These rights include: representation by an attorney at my own expense; the right to a public hearing on any charges or allegations filed; the right to confront and cross-examine witnesses called to testify against me; the right to present evidence on my own behalf; the right to compulsory process to secure attendance of such witnesses; the right to testify on my own behalf; the right to receive written findings of fact and conclusions of law supporting the decision on the merits of a complaint and the right to obtain judicial review of the Board's decision. In exchange for the Board's acceptance of the surrender of my appraiser credential, I voluntarily waive all of these rights.

- I am aware that surrender of my credential shall not become effective until it has been approved by a majority of the Board.
- I acknowledge this affidavit shall be presented to the Board with a recommendation from Board staff at the next available scheduled meeting of the Board.
- 11. I understand that the Board is free to accept or reject my surrender of my credential and, if rejected by the Board, a formal disciplinary hearing on the above pending matters may be held.
- 12. I understand that if the surrender is not accepted by the Board, it shall be regarded as null and void. Any admissions I make in this affidavit will not be regarded as evidence against me in the subsequent disciplinary hearing. I will be free to defend myself and no inferences will be made from my willingness to submit this affidavit.
- 13. I understand and agree that neither the presentation of this affidavit nor the Board's consideration of this affidavit will be deemed to have unfairly or illegally prejudiced the Board or its individual members and therefore will not be grounds for precluding the Board or any individual Board member from further participation in proceedings related to the matters set forth in this affidavit.
- 14. I understand and agree that should the Board accept my surrender of my appraiser credenital that:
  - I cannot be identified as a Trainee, State Licensed, State Certified Residential or State Certified General Appraiser;
  - All reference(s) to certification/licensure must be immediately removed from all letterheads, business cards, appraisal report covers and other printed materials under my reasonable control; and
- 15. My real estate appraiser credential and pocket card are attached hereto.
- 16. I understand and agree that should the Board accept my surrender of my appraiser credential, I cannot and will not apply for reinstatement for a period of at least five (5) years.
- 17. I further state that (check one):

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FURTHER AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Signed: 

(Signature of Individual surrendering predential)

STATE OF 

COUNTY OF 

COUNTY OF 

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 

And A 

Notary Public

My Commission Number is:

1-12-2027

My Commission Number is:

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## ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION 2019-201A

Christine McEntire, Director Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board 3625 N.W. 56th St., Ste. 100 Oklahoma City, OK 73112 April 29, 2019

Dear Director McEntire:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board intends to take with respect to licensee 12534CRA. The licensee allowed a third party to inspect a property for him, but attested that he personally inspected the property in the appraisal report. The licensee has requested to surrender the license in lieu of disciplinary proceedings The Board proposes to accept the surrender.

The Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act authorizes the Board "[t]o censure, suspend and revoke certificates pursuant to the disciplinary proceedings provided in [the Act,]" see 59 O.S.Supp.2018, § 858-706(7), and to require payment of fines and costs and the completion of educational programs. *Id.* § 858-723(A)(7)-(9). The Board may discipline licensees who "[v]iolat[e] any of the provisions in the code of ethics set forth in [the] Act." *Id.* § 858-723(C)(13). The Act requires adherence to the USPAP, which contains professional requirements pertaining to ethics, competency, and scope of work. 59 O.S.2011, § 858-726. The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to prevent future violations.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy to uphold standards of competency and professionalism among real estate appraisers.

MIKE HUNTER

ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA

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