# BEFORE THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS STATE OF CALIFORNIA

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 2009-47
JACOB J. SAUCEDO 817 El Monte Court Los Banos, CA 93635	
Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2,	
Respondent.	
DECISION ANI	
The attached Stipulated Surrender of	License and Order is hereby adopted by the
Structural Pest Control Board, Department of Consu	mer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.
This Decision shall become effective	on <u>August 27, 2009</u> .
IT IS SO ORDERED July 28,	2009

FOR THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS

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13	817 El Monte Court  Los Banos, CA 93635  STIPULATED SURRENDER  OF LICENSE AND ORDER		
14	Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2		
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16	Respondent.		
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18	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties in		
. 19	this proceeding that the following matters are true:		
20	PARTIES		
21	1. Kelli Okuma (Complainant) is the Registrar/Executive Officer of the		
22	Structural Pest Control Board. She brought this action solely in her official capacity and is		
23	represented in this matter by Edmund G. Brown Jr., Attorney General of the State of California,		
24	by Arthur D. Taggart, Supervising Deputy Attorney General.		
25	2. Jacob J. Saucedo (Respondent) is representing himself in this proceeding		
26	and has chosen not to exercise his right to be represented by counsel.		
27	On or about May 19, 2005, the Structural Pest Control Board issued Field		
28	Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2, to Jacob J. Saucedo (Respondent). The Field		

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Representative License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought in Accusation No. 2009-47, and will expire on June 30, 2010, unless renewed.

## JURISDICTION

4. Accusation No. 2009-47 was filed before the Structural Pest Control Board (Board), Department of Consumer Affairs, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on March 13, 2009. Respondent timely filed his Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation. A copy of Accusation No. 2009-47 is attached as **Exhibit A** and incorporated herein by reference.

## ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- 5. Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in Accusation No. 2009-47. Respondent also has carefully read, and understands the effects of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order.
- 6. Respondent is fully aware of his legal rights in this matter, including the right to a hearing on the charges and allegations in the Accusation; the right to be represented by counsel, at his own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against him; the right to present evidence and to testify on his own behalf; the right to the issuance of subpoenas to compel the attendance of witnesses and the production of documents; the right to reconsideration and court review of an adverse decision; and all other rights accorded by the California Administrative Procedure Act and other applicable laws.
- 7. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

#### **CULPABILITY**

- 8. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2009-47, agrees that legal cause exists for discipline and hereby surrenders his Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2, for the Board's formal acceptance.
- 9. Respondent understands and agrees that the surrender of his Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2, is in lieu of revocation by the Board.

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10. Respondent understands that by signing this stipulation he enables the Board to issue an order accepting the surrender of his Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2, without further process.

# **CONTINGENCY**

- Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Structural Pest Control Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and surrender, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that he may not withdraw his agreement or seek to rescind the stipulation prior to the time the Board considers and acts upon it. If the Board fails to adopt this stipulation as its Decision and Order, the Stipulated Surrender and Disciplinary Order shall be of no force or effect, except for this paragraph, it shall be inadmissible in any legal action between the parties, and the Board shall not be disqualified from further action by having considered this matter.
- 12. The parties understand and agree that facsimile copies of this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order, including facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 13. In consideration of the foregoing admissions and stipulations, the parties agree that the (Board) may, without further notice or formal proceeding, issue and enter the following Order:

#### **ORDER**

- 1. **IT IS HEREBY ORDERED** that Field Representative License No. FR 38674, Branch 2, issued to Respondent Jacob J. Saucedo, is surrendered and accepted by the Structural Pest Control Board.
- 2. The surrender of Respondent's Field Representative License and the acceptance of the surrendered license by the Board shall constitute the imposition of discipline against Respondent, and is in lieu of revocation. This stipulation constitutes a record of the discipline and shall become a part of Respondent's license history with the Board.

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- Respondent shall lose all rights and privileges as a Field Representative in California as of the effective date of the Board's Decision and Order.
- 4. Respondent shall cause to be delivered to the Board both his Field
  Representative License and wall license certificate and, if issued, pocket license certificate, on or
  before the effective date of the Decision and Order.
- 5. Respondent fully understands and agrees that if he ever files an application for licensure or a petition for reinstatement in the State of California, the Board shall treat it as a petition for reinstatement. Respondent must comply with all the laws, regulations and procedures for reinstatement of a revoked license in effect at the time the petition is filed. All of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2009-47 shall be deemed to be true, correct and admitted by Respondent when the Board determines whether to grant or deny the petition.
- 6. Should Respondent ever apply or reapply for a new license or certification, or petition for reinstatement of a license, all of the charges and allegations contained in Accusation No. 2009-47 shall be deemed to be true, correct, and admitted by Respondent for the purpose of any Statement of Issues or any other proceeding before the Structural Pest Control Board seeking to deny or restrict licensure by the Board.
- 7. Upon reinstatement of the license, Respondent shall pay to the Board costs associated with its investigation and enforcement pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 125.3 in the amount of \$295.25. Respondent shall be permitted to pay these costs in a payment plan approved by the Board.
- 8. Respondent shall not apply for licensure or petition for reinstatement for one (1) year from the effective date of the Structural Pest Control Board's Decision and Order.

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# **ACCEPTANCE**

I understand that I have the right to retain private counsel at my own expense.

I have chosen to represent myself in this proceeding. I have carefully read the Stipulated

Surrender of License and Order. I understand the stipulation and the effect it will have on my

Field Representative License. I enter into this Stipulated Surrender of License and Order

voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision and Order of the

Structural Pest Control Board.

DATED: 04-20-09

FACOB J. SAUCEDO Respondent

## **ENDORSEMENT**

The foregoing Stipulated Surrender of License and Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Structural Pest Control Board of the Department of Consumer Affairs.

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Exhibit A
Accusation No. 2009-47

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15	817 El Monte Court Los Banos, California 93635  ACCUSATION	
16	Field Representative License No. FR 38674,	
17	Branch 2	
18	Respondent.	i
19	Kelli Okuma ("Complainant") alleges:	
20	<u>PARTIES</u>	
21	1. Complainant brings this Accusation solely in her official capacity as the	
. 22	Registrar/Executive Officer of the Structural Pest Control Board ("Board"), Department of	
23	Consumer Affairs.	
24	License History	
25	Field Representative License	
26	2. On or about May 19, 2005, the Board issued Field Representative License	
27	Number FR 38674 ("license"), Branch 2, to Jacob J. Saucedo ("Respondent"). The license will	
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#### JURISDICTION

3. Section 8620 of the Business and Professions Code (Code) provides, in pertinent part, that the Board may suspend or revoke a license when it finds that the holder, while a licensee or applicant, has committed any acts or omissions constituting cause for disciplinary action or in lieu of a suspension may assess a civil penalty.

#### 4. Code section 8624 states:

"If the board suspends or revokes an operator's license and one or more branch offices are registered under the name of the operator, the suspension or revocation may be applied to each branch office."

#### 5. Code section 8625 states:

The lapsing or suspension of a license or company registration by operation of law or by order or decision of the board or a court of law, or the voluntary surrender of a license or company registration shall not deprive the board of jurisdiction to proceed with any investigation of or action or disciplinary proceeding against such licensee or company, or to render a decision suspending or revoking such license or registration.

#### 6. Section 8654 of the Code states:

Any individual who has been denied a license for any of the reasons specified in Section 8568, or who has had his or her license revoked, or whose license is under suspension, or who has failed to renew his or her license while it was under suspension, or who has been a member, officer, director, associate, qualifying manager, or responsible managing employee of any partnership, corporation, firm, or association whose application for a company registration has been denied for any of the reasons specified in Section 8568, or whose company registration has been revoked as a result of disciplinary action, or whose company registration is under suspension, and while acting as such member, officer, director, associate, qualifying manager, or responsible managing employee had knowledge of or participated in any of the prohibited acts for which the license or registration was denied, suspended or revoked, shall be prohibited from serving as an officer, director, associate, partner, qualifying manager, or responsible managing employee of a registered company, and the employment, election or association of such person by a registered company is a ground for disciplinary action.

## 7. Code section 8593 states:

The board shall require as a condition to the renewal of each operator's and field representative's license that the holder thereof submit proof satisfactory to the board that he or she has

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informed himself or herself of developments in the field of pest control by completion of courses of continuing education in pest control approved by the board or equivalent activity approved by the board.

## STATUTORY PROVISION

8. Code section 8641 states:

Failure to comply with the provisions of this chapter, or any rule or regulation adopted by the board, . . . is a ground for disciplinary action.

#### REGULATORY PROVISION

9. California Code of Regulations, section 1950, subdivision (a), states:

Except as provided in section 1951, every licensee is required, as a condition to a renewal of a license, to certify that he or she has completed the continuing education requirements set forth in this article. A licensee who cannot verify completion of continuing education by producing certificates of activity completion, whenever required to do so by the Board, may be subject to disciplinary action under section 8641 of the code.

## COST RECOVERY

10. Code section 125.3 states, in pertinent part, that a Board may request the administrative law judge to direct a licentiate found to have committed a violation or violations of the licensing act to pay a sum not to exceed the reasonable costs of the investigation and enforcement of the case.

#### CAUSE FOR DISCIPLINE

# (Documentation of Continuing Education Requirements)

Respondent's licenses are subject to disciplinary action pursuant to Code sections 8620, 8593, and 8641, in that Respondent failed to comply with Regulation section 1950, subdivision (a), by failing to provide the Board with verifiable documentation to demonstrate that he completed the continuing education requirements as a condition of renewal of his licenses.

#### OTHER MATTERS

12. Pursuant to Code section 8654, if Respondent's application for a license is denied, then Respondent shall be prohibited from serving as an officer, director, associate,

partner, or qualifying individual of any license, and any licensee which employs, elects or associates Respondent in any capacity other than as a non-supervising bona fide employee shall 2 be subject to disciplinary action. 3 PRAYER 4 WHEREFORE, Complainant requests that a hearing be held on the matters herein 5 alleged, and that following the hearing, the Structural Pest Control Board issue a decision: 6 Revoking or suspending Field Representative License Number FR 38674, 1. 7 Branch 2, issued to Jacob J. Saucedo; 8 Prohibiting Jacob J. Saucedo from serving as an officer, director, 2. 9 associate, partner, or qualifying individual of any licensee; 10 Ordering Jacob J. Saucedo to pay the Board the reasonable costs of the 3. 11 investigation and enforcement of this case, pursuant to Code section 125.3; and, 12 Taking such other and further action as deemed necessary and proper. 13 14 15 16 17 Registrar/Executive Officer 18 Structural Pest Control Board Department of Consumer Affairs 19 State of California Complainant 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27

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