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

In the Matter of the Accusation Against:

KILTER TERMITE AND PEST CONTROL, GREGORY S. MCKENDALL, QUALIFYING MANAGER 381 West Grove Avenue Orange, CA 92865 Company Registration Certificate No. PR 2272 Operator's License No. OPR 10496

Branch Office Registration No. BR 5284 41785 Enterprise Circle South Temecula, CA 92590

Branch Office Registration No. BR 4912 10148 Artesia Place Bellflower, CA 90706

Branch Office Registration No. BR 4962 41785 Enterprise Circle South, Unit A Temecula, CA 92590

Respondents.

Case No. 2016-3

## **DECISION AND ORDER**

The attached Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby adopted by the Structural Pest Control Board, Department of Consumer Affairs, as its Decision in this matter.

This Decision shall become effective on January 15, 2016

It is so ORDERED December 16, 2015

FOR THE STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD

DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFÁIRS

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10	STRUCTURAL PEST CONTROL BOARD DEPARTMENT OF CONSUMER AFFAIRS		
11	STATE OF C	CALIFORNIA	
12	In the Matter of the Accusation Against:	Case No. 2016-3	
13	KILTER TERMITE AND PEST	STIPULATED SETTLEMENT AND	
14	CONTROL, GREGORY S. MCKENDALL,	DISCIPLINARY ORDER	
15	QUALIFYING MANAGER 381 West Grove Avenue		
16	Orange, CA 92865 Company Registration Certificate No. PR 2272		
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23	Temecula, CA 92590		
24	Respondents.		
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26	IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED by and between the parties to the above-		
27	entitled proceedings that the following matters are true:		
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### **PARTIES**

- Susan Saylor (Complainant) is the Executive Officer of the Board. She brought this 1. action solely in her official capacity and is represented in this matter by Kamala D. Harris, Attorney General of the State of California, by Antoinette B. Cincotta, Deputy Attorney General.
- 2. On or about November 1, 2001, the Board issued Operator's License Number OPR 10496 to Gregory S. McKendall as Branch 3 Qualifying Manager of Kilter Termite and Pest Control. The Operator's License was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein and will expire on June 30, 2016, unless renewed.
- 3. On or about June 19, 1992, the Board issued Company Registration Certificate Number PR 2272 in Branch 3 to Kilter Termite and Pest Control. The Company Registration Certificate was upgraded on November 29, 2006 to include Branches 2 and 3. On December 20, 2012, the Company Registration Certificate reflected Gregory S. McKendall as Branch 2 Qualifying Manager. The Company Registration Certificate was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein.
- 4. On or about October 31, 2011, the Board issued Branch Office Registration Number BR 5284 to Kilter Termite and Pest Control, with Gregory S. McKendall as Branch Office Supervisor. The Branch Office Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought herein.
- 5. On or about January 2, 2004, the Board issued Branch Office Registration Number BR 4962 to Kilter Termite and Pest Control, with Gregory S. McKendall as Branch Office Supervisor. The Branch Office Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought.
- 6. On or about January 26, 2002, the Board issued Branch Office Registration Number BR 4912 to Kilter Termite and Pest Control, with Gregory S. McKendall as Branch Office Supervisor. The Branch Office Registration was in full force and effect at all times relevant to the charges brought.

Kilter Termite and Pest Control, Gregory S. McKendall, Company Registration Certificate Number PR 2272, Operator's License Number OPR 10496, Branch Office Registration Number BR 5284, Branch Office Registration Number BR 4912, and Branch Office Registration Number BR 4962 are collectively referred to herein as "Respondent."

### JURISDICTION

- 7. Accusation No. 2016-3 was filed before the Board, and is currently pending against Respondent. The Accusation and all other statutorily required documents were properly served on Respondent on July 20, 2015. Respondent timely filed its Notice of Defense contesting the Accusation.
- 8. A copy of Accusation No. 2016-3 is attached as Exhibit A and incorporated herein by reference.

## ADVISEMENT AND WAIVERS

- Respondent has carefully read, and understands the charges and allegations in
   Accusation No. 2016-3. Respondent has also carefully read, and understands the effects of this
   Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order.
- 10. Respondent is fully aware of its 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 its own expense; the right to confront and cross-examine the witnesses against them; the right to present evidence and to testify on its 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.
- 11. Respondent voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently waives and gives up each and every right set forth above.

#### **CULPABILITY**

12. Respondent admits the truth of each and every charge and allegation in Accusation No. 2016-3.

13. Respondent agrees that its Company Registration, Branch Office Registrations and Operator license are subject to discipline and they agree to be bound by the Board's probationary terms as set forth in the Disciplinary Order below.

#### CONTINGENCY

- 14. This stipulation shall be subject to approval by the Board. Respondent understands and agrees that counsel for Complainant and the staff of the Board may communicate directly with the Board regarding this stipulation and settlement, without notice to or participation by Respondent. By signing the stipulation, Respondent understands and agrees that they may not withdraw its 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 Settlement 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.
- 15. The parties understand and agree that Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile copies of this Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order, including Portable Document Format (PDF) and facsimile signatures thereto, shall have the same force and effect as the originals.
- 16. This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is intended by the parties to be an integrated writing representing the complete, final, and exclusive embodiment of their agreement. It supersedes any and all prior or contemporaneous agreements, understandings, discussions, negotiations, and commitments (written or oral). This Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order may not be altered, amended, modified, supplemented, or otherwise changed except by a writing executed by an authorized representative of each of the parties.
- 17. 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 Disciplinary Order:

#### DISCIPLINARY ORDER

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that Company Registration Certificate Number PR 2272,
Operator's License Number OPR 10496, Branch Office Registration Number BR 5284, Branch

Office Registration Number BR 4912, and Branch Office Registration Number BR 4962 are revoked. However, the revocations are stayed, and Respondent is placed on probation for three (3) years on the following terms and conditions.

- 1. **Obey All Laws.** Respondent shall obey all Federal, State and local laws along with all laws and rules relating to the practice of structural pest control.
- 2. **Quarterly Reports.** Respondent shall file quarterly reports with the Board during the period of probation.
- 3. **Tolling of Probation.** Should Respondent leave California to reside outside this state, Respondent must notify the Board in writing of the dates of departure and return. Periods of residency or practice outside the state shall not apply to reduction of the probationary period.
- 4. **Notice to Employers.** Respondent shall notify all present and prospective employers of the decision in case no. 2016-3. and the terms, conditions and restriction imposed on Respondent by said decision.

Within 30 days of the effective date of this decision, and within 15 days of Respondent undertaking new employment, Respondent shall cause his/her employer to report to the Board in writing acknowledging the employer has read the decision in case No. 2016-3.

- 5. Notice to Employees. Respondent shall, upon or before the effective date of this decision, post or circulate a notice to all employees involved in structural pest control operations which accurately recite the terms and conditions of probation. Respondent shall be responsible for said notice being immediately available to said employees. "Employees" as used in this provision includes all full-time, part-time, temporary and relief employees and independent contractors employed or hired at any time during probation.
- 6. **Posted Notice of Suspension.** Respondent Kilter Termite and Pest Control shall prominently post a suspension notice provided by the Board of the Board's order of suspension at its principal office and each of its branch offices in a place conspicuous and readable to the public. Said notice shall remain so posted during the entire period of actual suspension.
- 7. **Completion of Probation.** Upon successful completion of probation, Respondent's license/certificate will be fully restored.

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- 8. Violation of Probation. Should Respondent violate probation in any respect, the Board, after giving Respondent notice and an opportunity to be heard, may revoke probation and carry out the disciplinary order which was stayed. If a petition to revoke probation is filed against Respondent during probation, the Board shall have continuing jurisdiction until the matter is final, and the period of probation shall be extended until the matter is final.
- 9. Suspension and Civil Penalty. Company Registration Certificate Number PR 2272, Operator's License Number OPR 10496, Branch Office Registration Number BR 5284, Branch Office Registration Number BR 4912, and Branch Office Registration Number BR 4962 are suspended for five consecutive days beginning on the effective date of this decision, unless prior to the effective date of this decision, Respondents pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000.00 to the Board. If this civil penalty is not paid to the Board before the effective date of this decision, Company Registration Certificate Number PR 2272, Operator's License Number OPR 10496, Branch Office Registration Number BR 5284, Branch Office Registration Number BR 4912, and Branch Office Registration Number BR 4962 shall be suspended for five consecutive days beginning on the effective date of this decision.
- 10. Correspondence Course Rules and Regulations. Within six (6) months of the effective date of this decision, Respondent Gregory S. McKendall shall complete four (4) hours of a Board approved Rules and Regulations course with a final grade of C Minus (C-) or better. These hours cannot be used towards renewal of Operator License No. OPR 10496.
- 11. **Random Inspections.** Respondent shall reimburse the Board for one random inspection per quarter by Board specialists during the period of probation not to exceed \$125 per inspection.
- 12. Prohibited from Serving as Officer, Director, Associate, Partner or Qualifying Manager. Respondent is prohibited from serving as an officer, director, associate, partner, qualifying manager or branch office manager of any registered company other than Kilter Termite and Pest Control during the period that discipline is imposed on Company Registration Certificate No. PR 2272. Prior to the effective date of this decision, Respondent shall designate a Field Representative or Operator other than Respondent Gregory S. McKendall to serve as branch

1	office supervisor for at least two of Respondent's branch offices for the period of probating	
2	13. Restoration Bond: Pursuant to Business and Professions Code section 869783	
3	Respondent, as a condition to the restoration of the company registration and branch office	
4	registrations, file a surety bond in the sum of \$2,000.00 due no later than the last day of	
5	suspension.	
6	14. Cost Recovery: Respondent shall reimburse the Board its costs of investigated	n and
7	enforcement in the amount of \$3,196.58. These costs may be paid in monthly installments	as
8	agreed by the Board and shall be paid in full no later than three months prior to the end of	
9	probation. Probation shall not be terminated until all costs are paid in full.	
10	<u>ACCEPTANCE</u>	
1 1	I have carefully read the Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order. I understand	ine
12	stipulation and the effect it will have on my Company Registration Certificate, Operator	
13	License, and Branch Office Registrations. I enter into this Stipulated Settlement and Dis	jinar
14	Order voluntarily, knowingly, and intelligently, and agree to be bound by the Decision are	Prder
15	of the Structural Pest Control Board.	
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17	DATED: OPEGABLICATION	
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STIPULATED SETTLEMENT

## **ENDORSEMENT**

The foregoing Stipulated Settlement and Disciplinary Order is hereby respectfully submitted for consideration by the Structural Pest Control Board.

Dated: 9/17/2015

Respectfully submitted,

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