STATE OF CALIFORNIA 1 **BUSINESS, TRANSPORTATION AND HOUSING AGENCY** 2 **DEPARTMENT OF CORPORATIONS** 3 4 5 TO: Matthew S. Wood LDI Capital Company, LLC 3530 Bee Caves Road, Suite 101 **Joel Craig Duncan** 6 West Lake Hills, Texas 78746 **Commission Express Austin, LLC** 9270 Grand Canal Drive 7 Frisco, Texas 75034 8 Macy Paige Realty, LLC 9 4400 Glenn Curtiss, Suite 209 Addison, Texas 75001 10 11 12 **DESIST AND REFRAIN ORDER** (For violations of section 25110 of the California Corporations Code) 13 The California Corporations Commissioner ("Commissioner") finds that: 14 At all relevant times, Commission Express National, Inc. ("CE") is or was a Virginia 15 1. corporation formed in 1994 for the primary purpose of engaging in the business of offering and 16 selling CE franchise stores and development territories in multiple states. CE stores provide real 17 estate agents and brokers cash advances by purchasing an agent's or broker's outstanding 18 commissions at a discount in return for a fixed percentage fee. 19 20 2. At all relevant times, Commission Express Austin, LLC ("CEA") is or was a Texas limited liability company formed in October 2007, with its principal place of business located at 9270 Grand 21 Canal Drive, Frisco, Texas 75034. 22 At all relevant times, the manager of CEA was LDI Capital Company, LLC ("LDI"), a Texas 3. 23 limited liability company formed in April 2007, with its principle place of business located at 3530 24 Bee Caves Road, Suite 101, West Lake Hills, Texas 78746. 25 At all relevant times, Macy Paige Realty, LLC ("MPR") held itself out as a Texas company 4. 26 formed in 2003, with its principal place of business located at 4400 Glenn Curtiss, Suite 209, 27 Addison, Texas 75001. 28

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At all relevant times, Matthew S. Wood ("Wood") held himself out as the president of both
 CEA and MPR.

6. At all relevant times, Joel Craig Duncan ("Duncan") held himself out as the vice president of CEA.

5 7. Beginning in or about July 2008, CEA and LDI offered or sold securities in the form of
6 "limited liability company units" in CEA, each in the amount of \$10,000, for the purpose of raising
7 \$500,000 in operating capital for the business expenses of CEA.

8. On or about July 30, 2008, a manager or agent of CEA placed an unsolicited telephone call to a California resident with whom CEA had no prior relationship. During the telephone conversation, the CEA agent offered the California resident an opportunity to purchase limited liability company units in CEA.

9. On or about July 30, 2008, Duncan sent a message to the email address that CEA had obtained from the same California resident, stating: "Thanks for spending a few minutes on the phone with us today regarding the purchase of the Commission Express Austin, Texas franchise we have put together."

10. Beginning in or about August 2008, CEA and LDI offered or sold securities in the form of guarantees in the limited liability company units in CEA for the purpose of raising \$500,000 in operating capital for the business expenses of CEA.

19 11. On or about August 8, 2008, Wood and Duncan, acting on behalf of CEA and MPR, entered
20 into a notarized "investment guarantee" contract with the aforementioned California resident for the
21 purchase of six (6) limited liability company units in CEA, for a total of sixty thousand dollars
22 (\$60,000). The contract recited that MPR, Wood, and Duncan would "guarantee" the purchase by
23 agreeing to pay half of all MPR real estate commissions in addition to the monthly revenue
24 distributions made by CEA until 100% of the initial \$60,000 purchase was repaid to the California

26 12. Also on or about August 8, 2008, Wood and Duncan "approved" and had notarized a
27 "prospective investor questionnaire" and "subscription agreement," dated and executed by the same
28 California resident on August 7, 2008, for the purchase of six limited liability company units from

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CEA and LDI, which entities were collectively referred to in the CEA offering materials as "the
 Issuer."

13. These limited liability company units and guarantees of the limited liability company units in CEA were offered or sold in California in issuer transactions.

14. The Department of Corporations has not issued a permit or other form of qualification authorizing CEA, LDI, MPR, Wood, or Duncan to offer or sell these securities in California.

Based on the foregoing, the California Corporations Commissioner finds that the securities offered and sold by Commission Express Austin, LLC, LDI Capital Company, LLC, Macy Paige Realty, LLC, Matthew S. Wood, and Joel Craig Duncan are subject to qualification under the California Corporations Code. These securities are or have been offered or sold without being qualified or exempt, in violation of Section 25110 of the California Corporations Code.

Pursuant to Section 25532 of the California Corporations Code, Commission Express Austin, LLC, LDI Capital Company, LLC, Macy Paige Realty, LLC, Matthew S. Wood, and Joel Craig Duncan are hereby ordered to desist and refrain from the further offer or sale of securities, including but not limited to limited liability company units and guarantees of the limited liability company units, in the State of California, unless and until qualification has been made under said law or unless exempt.

This Order is necessary, in the public interest, for the protection of investors and consistent with the purposes, policies, and provisions of the California Corporations Code.

Dated: May 26, 2010 Los Angeles, California

PRESTON DUFAUCHARD California Corporations Commissioner

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ALAN WEINGER Deputy Commissioner Enforcement Division