

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
ILLINOIS DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION
DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE**

In Re: Post-License Education Deadline for
Certain Newly-Licensed Real Estate
Brokers

GRANT OF VARIANCE

WHEREAS, Public Act 101-357, which became effective August 9, 2019, significantly amended the Real Estate License Act of 2000 (225 ILCS 454/1, *et. seq.* (“Act”)), including its provisions relating to post-license education for those receiving a Real Estate Broker License for the first time following the effective date of the Act; and

WHEREAS, as of August 9, 2019 the post-license education requirement for newly-licensed Real Estate Brokers has been increased to 45 hours of post-license education, consisting of three 15-hour post-license courses; and

WHEREAS, the Illinois Department of Financial and Professional Regulation (“Department”) through its Division of Real Estate (“Division”) must undertake substantial efforts to revise and modify its policies and procedures with respect to post-license education curriculum and courses and must provide time for education providers to develop and submit courses for approval by the Department; and

WHEREAS, the Act provides at Section 5-50(b) that Real Estate Brokers who receive their first license within the 180 days preceding the next broker renewal deadline must complete all three 15-hour courses and successfully pass a final examination for each course prior to the second broker renewal deadline that follows the receipt of their license. which is April 30, 2022.

WHEREAS, in order to facilitate an orderly transition to the new post-license education requirement, and to enable newly-licensed Real Estate Brokers sufficient time to complete the required 45 hours of post-license education, the Department may exercise its discretion to extend the deadline by which Real Estate Brokers newly licensed during the period beginning on August 9, 2019 and up to and including November 1, 2019 must complete their 45 hours of post-license education to November 1, 2020; and

WHEREAS, (1) adherence to the existing Administrative Rules (68 Ill. Adm. Code 1450.410) would not satisfy the newly-enacted post-license education requirements and no party will be injured by the granting of this Variance;

NOW THEREFORE, I, MARIO TRETO, JR., Acting Director of the Division of Real Estate, DO HEREBY FIND:

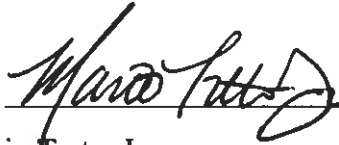
1. I have jurisdiction over the party and the subject matter herein; and
2. That granting a Variance would not be contrary to the public welfare.

WHEREFORE, a Variance may be granted by the Department, on a case-by-case basis and in its discretion, to extend the deadline by which Real Estate Brokers newly licensed during the period beginning on August 9, 2019 and up to and including November 1, 2019 must complete their 45 hours of post-license education to November 1, 2020.

(Signature Page Follows)

DATED THIS 1st DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2019.

DEPARTMENT OF FINANCIAL AND PROFESSIONAL
REGULATION OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS,

By:  _____

Mario Treto, Jr.
Acting Director, Division of Real Estate