

STATE OF FLORIDA
DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND PROFESSIONAL REGULATION

FILED	
Department of Business and Professional Regulation Deputy Agency Clerk	
CLERK	Brandon Nichols
Date	6/20/2017
File #	2017-04831

DEPARTMENT OF BUSINESS AND
PROFESSIONAL REGULATION,
DIVISION OF REAL ESTATE,

Petitioner,

v.

DOAH Case No. 17-0476
DBPR Case No. 2014-025181

RICHARD L. SOVICH,

Respondent.

FINAL ORDER

The Department of Business and Professional Regulation (“Department”) hereby enters this Final Order against Richard L. Sovich (“Respondent”) in the above styled case. A Recommended Order was earlier entered in this case by Administrative Law Judge Lynne A. Quimby-Pennock on May 5, 2017. A copy of the Recommended Order is attached hereto and incorporated herein as Exhibit A. Neither Petitioner nor Respondent filed exceptions to the Recommended Order.

After a review of the record provided in this matter, including consideration of the Administrative Law Judge’s Recommended Order, the Department makes the following findings of fact and conclusions of law:

FINDINGS OF FACT

1. The Administrative Law Judge’s findings of fact as set forth in Exhibit A are approved, adopted, and incorporated herein by reference.
2. There is competent, substantial evidence to support the Administrative Law Judge’s findings of fact in Exhibit A as adopted by the Department.

CONCLUSIONS OF LAW

3. The Department has jurisdiction over this matter pursuant to Sections 120.569 and 120.57(1), Florida Statutes, and Chapters 455 and 475, Part I, Florida Statutes.

4. The Administrative Law Judge's conclusions of law as set forth in Exhibit A are approved, adopted, and incorporated herein by reference.

5. There is competent, substantial evidence to support the Administrative Law Judge's conclusions of law in Exhibit A as adopted by the Department.

[SIGNATURE PAGE FOLLOWS]

DISPOSITION

6. The Administrative Law Judge's Recommendation is approved and adopted by the Department in its entirety.

WHEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED and ADJUDGED that:

(a) Respondent must pay a total administrative fine of \$500.00, pursuant to Section 455.228, Florida Statutes.

(b) Respondent must additionally pay investigative costs in the amount of \$49.50, pursuant to Section 455.227(3)(a), Florida Statutes.

(c) Payment of the fine and costs by check or money order issued to the Department of Business and Professional Regulation must be received by the Department of Business and Professional Regulation, Revenue Unit, 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 within 30 calendar days of the effective date of this Final Order. **Case Number 2014-025181 must be referenced clearly when making payment.**

(d) This Final Order is effective on the date it is filed with the Agency Clerk of the Department, as indicated on the first page of this Final Order.

DONE AND ORDERED this 13th day of June, 2017, by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulation.

Matilde Miller
Matilde Miller, Interim Secretary
Department of Business and
Professional Regulation
2601 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, Florida 32399

NOTICE OF RIGHT TO APPEAL UNLESS WAIVED

Unless expressly waived, any party substantially affected by this Final Order may seek judicial review by filing an original Notice of Appeal with the Agency Clerk of the Department of Business and Professional Regulation at 2601 Blair Stone Road, Tallahassee, Florida 32399 (AGC.Filing@myfloridalicense.com), and a copy of the notice, accompanied by the filing fees prescribed by law, with the clerk of the appropriate District Court of Appeal within thirty (30) days of rendition of this order, in accordance with Rule 9.110, Fla. R. App. P., and section 120.68, Florida Statutes.

CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE

I HEREBY CERTIFY that a true and correct copy of the foregoing Final Order has been provided by U.S. Mail to Respondent's attorney, Nancy Pico Campiglia, Esquire, 1720 South Orange Avenue, Suite 302, Orlando, Florida 32806; and Administrative Law Judge, Division of Administrative Hearings, Lynne A. Quimby-Pennock, 1230 Apalachee Parkway, Tallahassee, Florida 32399, on this 20th day of June, 2017.



OFFICE OF THE AGENCY CLERK

Copy Furnished To:

Neal J. Lawson
Assistant General Counsel
2601 Blair Stone Road
Tallahassee, FL 32399

DBPR v. RICHARD L. SOVICH
DBPR Case No. 2014-025181, DOAH Case No. 17-0476
Final Order