



**BUYER REPRESENTATION
AND BROKER COMPENSATION AGREEMENT**
(Non-Exclusive unless Exclusive is checked and initialed)
(C.A.R. Form BRBC, Revised 12/24)

Date Prepared: _____

1. **RIGHT TO REPRESENT:** _____ (“Buyer”) grants _____ (“Broker”) the non-exclusive right (unless Exclusive is checked in **paragraph 2A(2)** and initialed in **paragraph 15**) to represent Buyer in acquiring real property or a manufactured home (“Property”) for the Representation Period specified in **paragraph 2A(1)**.
2. **TERMS OF REPRESENTATION:** The items in this paragraph are contractual terms of the Agreement. Referenced paragraphs provide further explanation. This form is 5 pages. Buyer is advised to read all 5 pages.

	Para. #	Paragraph Title or Contract Term	Terms and Conditions
A		Representation	
A(1)		Representation Period	Beginning: _____ (date) Ending at 11:59 P.M. on _____ (date) OR upon completion of a resulting transaction, whichever occurs first. (Not to exceed 3 months. If Representation Period exceeds 3 months, this Agreement is void unless Buyer is a corporation, LLC or partnership.)
A(2)		Type of Representation	Non-exclusive, OR <input type="checkbox"/> Exclusive (valid only if checked AND initialed in paragraph 15).
B		Property to be Acquired (“Property”)	Broker, including any associate licensee working through Broker on behalf of Buyer, provides services for the types of properties and in the locations specified below.
B(1)		Property type:	Single family residential (OR, if checked, <input type="checkbox"/> SFR is excluded from this Agreement), including condominiums and manufactured homes (SFR), <input type="checkbox"/> Multi-family residential with two to four units, <input type="checkbox"/> with 5 or more units, <input type="checkbox"/> Industrial, <input type="checkbox"/> Vacant Land, <input type="checkbox"/> Commercial, <input type="checkbox"/> Tenancy in common, <input type="checkbox"/> The following specified property(ies) only: _____
B(2)		Location	<input type="checkbox"/> County(ies): _____ <input type="checkbox"/> City(ies): _____
B(3)		Additional Description	_____
C		<input type="checkbox"/> Additional Buyer Preferences and Priorities	See attached Buyer Identification of Preferences and Priorities (C.A.R. Form BIPP).
D	7	Properties Excluded from Representation	_____ OR <input type="checkbox"/> The Properties identified on the attached list.
E		Broker Compensation: NOTICE: The amount or rate of real estate commissions is not fixed by law. They are set by each Broker individually and may be negotiable between Buyer and Broker. See attached Broker Compensation Advisory (C.A.R. Form BCA).	
E(1)	4B	Amount of Compensation	_____ % of the acquisition price AND, if any, \$ _____; OR <input type="checkbox"/> \$ _____; OR <input type="checkbox"/> see attached Broker-created compensation schedule.
E(2)	4G	Payments received by Broker from Seller or others	If Broker receives compensation from Seller or others, for Broker’s representation of Buyer, the amount shall be credited against Buyer’s obligation to pay Broker. Broker shall not receive any amount in excess of paragraph 2E(1) .
E(3)	4C	Continued Right to Payment for Broker Involved Properties	The Continuation Period shall be _____ calendar days after the Representation Period or any extension (“Continuation Period”).
F	5	Cancellation Rights and Notice	Non-exclusive: Cancellation effective upon receipt OR <input type="checkbox"/> _____ days after receipt; Exclusive: Cancellation effective 30 OR <input type="checkbox"/> _____ (not to exceed 30) days after receipt.
G		Buyer Financial/Personal Information	
G(1)	9B(1)	Time to deliver Buyer personal/ financial information	Within 5 (or _____) calendar days from the execution of this Agreement. <input type="checkbox"/> C.A.R. Form BFPI attached.
G(2)	9B(2)	<input type="checkbox"/> Buyer does not have sufficient funds to pay Broker.	Buyer’s Broker’s obligation to represent Buyer in a transaction is contingent upon a seller’s agreement to pay the amount of compensation in paragraph 2E(1) .
H		Other Terms	_____



3. **ADVISORIES, ADDENDA AND DISCLOSURES:** The following advisories, addenda and disclosures are attached:

☐ Broker Compensation Advisory (C.A.R. Form BCA) ☐ Other _____

4. **COMPENSATION TO BROKER:**

Notice: The amount or rate of real estate commissions is not fixed by law. They are set by each Broker individually and may be negotiable between Buyer and Broker.

A. **ADVISORY:** Real estate commissions include all compensation and fees to Broker and are fully negotiable.

B. **BROKER RIGHT TO COMPENSATION:** Broker shall be entitled to compensation specified in **paragraph 2E(1)** from Buyer if during the Representation Period, or any extension, Buyer enters into an agreement to purchase, lease, or otherwise acquire any Property described in **paragraph 2B**, and the seller thereafter completes the transaction or is prevented from doing so by default of Buyer as follows:

- (1) **NON-EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATION; BROKER INVOLVEMENT:** Compensation is payable only if there was Broker Involvement with the Property.
- (2) **EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATION; BUYER ACQUISITION:** If Exclusive is checked in **paragraph 2A(2)** and initialed in **paragraph 15**, Broker is entitled to compensation if Buyer acquires Property during the Representation Period or any extension with or without Broker Involvement, even if another broker is also entitled to be paid for representing Buyer.
- (3) **BUYER INCLUDES** any person or entity, other than Broker, related to Buyer or who in any manner acts on Buyer's behalf to acquire Property described in **paragraph 2B**.
- (4) **BROKER INVOLVEMENT**, wherever used in this Agreement means any of the following:
 - Buyer physically entered and was shown the Property by Broker;
 - Broker showed the Property to Buyer virtually;
 - Broker submitted to seller a signed, written offer from Buyer to acquire, lease, exchange or obtain an option on the Property;
 - Broker performed a market analysis related to the Property or reviewed property specific documents or disclosures with Buyer; or
 - The Property was introduced to Buyer by Broker or one for which Broker acted on Buyer's behalf. However, merely sending Buyer a list of properties shall not be deemed Broker Involvement without documented action on the part of Broker analyzing the Property for Buyer, specifically, or assisting Buyer in the potential acquisition of the Property, or communicating with seller or seller's agent regarding Buyer's potential acquisition of the Property.

C. **CONTINUATION OF RIGHT TO COMPENSATION FOR BROKER INVOLVED PROPERTIES:**

- (1) Broker shall be entitled to the compensation provided for in **paragraph 2E(1)** if, during the Continuation Period specified in **paragraph 2E(3)**, Buyer enters into an agreement to acquire Property for which there was Broker Involvement. The timing of such payment is subject to the terms of **paragraph 4D**.
- (2) Broker's right to compensation pursuant to this paragraph shall only apply if, prior to expiration of this Agreement or any extension, Broker delivers Buyer a written notice of those properties for which there was Broker Involvement (C.A.R. Form NBIP).

D. **TIMING OF COMPENSATION:** Compensation is payable:

- (1) Upon completion of any resulting transaction, and through escrow. Broker shall be entitled to compensation whether any escrow resulting from this Agreement closes during or after the Representation Period.
- (2) If acquisition is prevented by default of Buyer, upon Buyer's default.
- (3) If acquisition is prevented by a party to the transaction other than Buyer, when Buyer collects damages, or obtains specific performance, by suit, settlement or otherwise. If damages are recovered, compensation shall equal one-half of the damages recovered, not to exceed the compensation provided for in **paragraph 2E(1)**, after first deducting the unreimbursed payments, credits and expenses of collection and suit, if any.

E. **PAYMENT THROUGH ESCROW:** Buyer hereby irrevocably assigns to Broker the compensation provided for in this Agreement from Buyer's funds in escrow. Buyer agrees to submit to escrow any funds needed to compensate Broker under this Agreement. Broker may submit this Agreement, as instructions to compensate Broker, to any escrow regarding Property involving Buyer and a seller or other transferor.

F. **ACCOUNTING FOR PAYMENTS TO BROKER IF BROKER ALSO REPRESENTS SELLER:** If Broker has a signed listing agreement with the seller of the Property to be purchased, Buyer shall not receive a credit for the compensation seller owes broker for representing Seller.

G. **PAYMENTS RECEIVED FROM OTHERS LESS THAN BUYER COMPENSATION OBLIGATION:**

- (1) Broker and Buyer should discuss whether it would be beneficial to include a term in any offer Buyer makes obligating the seller to pay Broker, directly or through escrow, for some or all of the compensation that Buyer owes Broker.
- (2) If seller does not pay as contractually required, Buyer assigns to Broker, as a third-party beneficiary, any rights Buyer has to pursue the seller for such compensation.

H. **DISCLOSURE OF PAYMENTS TO BROKER:** Broker, independently or through escrow, will disclose the final compensation Broker receives from anyone other than Buyer.

5. **CANCELLATION OF BUYER REPRESENTATION AGREEMENT:**

A. Either Buyer or Broker may cancel this Agreement by giving written notice, at any time, to the other within the time specified in **paragraph 2F**.



- B. Broker shall still be entitled to compensation if, during the Representation Period or the Continuation Period specified in **paragraph 2E(3)**, Buyer enters into contract to acquire Property for which there was Broker Involvement provided Broker delivers to Buyer a written list of those properties for which there was Broker Involvement. The written list of Broker Involvement properties shall be delivered to Buyer within **5 calendar days** after the effective date of the cancellation. The timing of such payment is subject to the terms of **paragraph 4D**.
- C. Buyer is advised to notify any other broker of Broker's rights under this paragraph.

6. AGENCY RELATIONSHIPS:

- A. **DISCLOSURE:** Buyer acknowledges receipt of the "Disclosure Regarding Real Estate Agency Relationship" (C.A.R. Form AD).
- B. **POSSIBLE DUAL AGENCY WITH SELLER:** Broker will represent Buyer in any resulting transaction. Broker may act as an agent for both Buyer and a seller. Broker, in writing, shall confirm the agency relationship with only Buyer, or both Buyer and seller, prior to or concurrent with Buyer's execution of a contract to acquire a Property. Buyer acknowledges receipt of a Possible Representation of More Than One Buyer or Seller – Disclosure and Consent (C.A.R. Form PRBS).

7. PROPERTIES EXCLUDED FROM REPRESENTATION:

A. ADVISORY REGARDING BUYER SIGNING MULTIPLE BUYER REPRESENTATION AGREEMENTS:

- (1) Buyer shall inform Broker in writing if Buyer has signed any other buyer representation agreements, whether exclusive or non-exclusive, with any other Broker for any Property described in **paragraph 2B** and provide a copy of the agreement to Broker.
- (2) Buyer shall disclose to Broker if another broker showed Buyer such Property virtually or in-person, or wrote an offer on, or otherwise acted on Buyer's behalf for, such Property. Buyer may owe compensation to that broker if Buyer purchases such Property.
- (3) If Buyer has signed an exclusive buyer representation agreement with another broker that has not expired or been terminated, Buyer may owe compensation to that broker if Buyer purchases such Property even if that other broker had no involvement with the Property.
- (4) Buyer shall disclose in **paragraph 2D** any Property for which Buyer is obligated to pay another broker.

- B. **CONFLICTS WITH OTHER BROKER:** Unless otherwise notified by Buyer, Buyer acknowledges that for the Property identified in **paragraph 2B**, excluding any Property specified in **paragraph 2D** Buyer: **(i)** has not entered into an exclusive representation agreement with another broker; and **(ii)** has no obligation, even under a non-exclusive representation agreement, to pay compensation to any other broker arising out of the acquisition of the Property.

- C. **LIMITATION ON BROKER REPRESENTATION:** If a property is excluded in **paragraph 2D**, during the time Buyer is obligated to compensate another broker, Broker is not obligated to assist Buyer with respect to that property, and Buyer shall not owe Broker compensation under this Agreement for that property.

8. BROKER AUTHORIZATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS:

- A. Broker agrees to exercise reasonable effort and due diligence to achieve the purposes of this Agreement.
- B. Broker will assist Buyer by:
- (1) Locating and presenting selected properties to Buyer, presenting offers authorized by Buyer, assisting Buyer in negotiating for acceptance of such offers and, as applicable, terms and conditions following such acceptance, and facilitating the escrow process for such accepted offers;
 - (2) As directed by or agreed with Buyer, ordering reports and Investigations, and scheduling and attending meetings and appointments with professionals chosen by Buyer;
 - (3) Upon request, providing Buyer with a list of professionals who perform the services described in the attached Buyer's Investigation Advisory, provided Broker has a referral list for such requested services; and
 - (4) Upon request, assisting Buyer with the financing process by making referrals to lenders known to Broker, and assisting Buyer in obtaining loan pre-qualification, to the extent Broker can do so without acting as a Mortgage Loan Broker.
- C. If the Property contains residential property with one to four dwelling units, Broker will conduct a reasonably competent and diligent, visual inspection of the accessible areas of the one to four Property (excluding any common areas) and disclose to Buyer all facts materially affecting the value or desirability of such Property that are revealed by this inspection.
- D. Broker shall deliver or communicate to Buyer any disclosures, materials or information received by, in the personal possession of or personally known to the individual signing for Broker during the Representation Period. Unless otherwise specified in writing, any information provided through Broker, while representing Buyer, has not been and will not be verified by Broker.
- E. Broker's services are performed in compliance with federal, state and local anti-discrimination laws.

9. BUYER OBLIGATIONS:

- A. **GOOD FAITH:** Buyer agrees: **(i)** to timely view and consider properties selected by Broker; **(ii)** negotiate in good faith to acquire a Property; and **(iii)** Buyer further agrees to act in good faith toward the completion of any contract entered into for a Property.
- B. **FINANCIAL AND PERSONAL INFORMATION:**
- (1) Within the time specified in **paragraph 2G(1)**, Buyer shall provide relevant personal and financial information, including, but not limited to, proof of funds needed to complete the purchase of Property and satisfy the obligation to pay Broker, and a preapproval/prequalification letter, to Broker to assure Buyer's ability to acquire Property. If Buyer fails to provide such information, or if Buyer does not qualify financially to acquire Property, then Broker may cancel this Agreement in writing.



- (2) If the box is checked in **paragraph 2G(2)**, for any Property for which Buyer writes an offer to purchase:
- (A) Buyer agrees to include a term in Buyer's offer requesting seller to compensate Buyer's Broker; and
 - (B) For a transaction, this Agreement is contingent upon seller, or others, or both, agreeing to pay Broker the full amount that Buyer is contractually obligated to pay Broker. This contingency is in favor of the Broker, and Broker may elect to cancel this Agreement related to representation on that specific property, if the seller does not agree to pay the full amount that Buyer is contractually obligated to pay Broker. Broker shall inform Buyer, seller and listing agent that Buyer is proceeding without representation and that they shall complete a new Agency Confirmation removing Broker as representing Buyer.

C. REASONABLE CARE AND OTHER PROFESSIONAL ASSISTANCE:

- (1) Buyer is obligated, and agrees, to read all documents provided to Buyer.
- (2) Buyer agrees to seek desired assistance from appropriate professionals, selected by Buyer, such as those referenced in the attached Buyer's Investigation Advisory.
- (3) Buyer is advised to read the attached Buyer's Investigation Advisory for a list of items and other concerns that may warrant investigation by Buyer or other professionals.

D. REPORTS/INVESTIGATIONS: Buyer agrees to pay for reports, Investigations and meetings arranged by Broker for Buyer.

E. BUYER MATERIAL ISSUES: For any Property for which Buyer has made an offer or are considering making an offer, Buyer shall notify or update Broker in writing of any material issue to Buyer for that Property such as, but not limited to, Buyer requests for information on, or concerns regarding, any subject of interest or importance to Buyer (C.A.R. Form BMI-SP). If Buyer does not provide such information for a Property for which Buyer makes an offer, that Property shall be deemed to satisfy Buyer's material considerations notwithstanding any preferences and priorities identified in C.A.R. Form BIPP, if one has been completed.

F. INCORRECT, INCOMPLETE OR INACCURATE INFORMATION: Buyer agrees to indemnify, defend and hold Broker harmless from all claims, disputes, litigation, judgments, and costs arising from any incorrect information supplied by Buyer, or from any material issues that Buyer fails to disclose in writing to Broker.

10. ATTORNEY FEES: In any action, proceeding or arbitration between Buyer and Broker arising out of this Agreement, Buyer and Broker are each responsible for paying their own attorney fees and costs, except as otherwise specified in **paragraph 12A**.

11. MANAGEMENT APPROVAL: If an associate-licensee in Broker's office (salesperson or broker-associate) enters into this Agreement on Broker's behalf, Broker or Manager has the right to cancel this Agreement, in writing, within **5 days** after its execution.

12. DISPUTE RESOLUTION:

A. MEDIATION: Buyer and Broker agree to mediate any dispute or claim arising between them under this Agreement, before resorting to arbitration or court action. Mediation fees, if any, shall be divided equally among the parties involved. If, for any dispute or claim to which this paragraph applies, any party **(i)** commences an action without first attempting to resolve the matter through mediation, or **(ii)** before commencement of an action, refuses to mediate after a request has been made, then if that party is the losing party in any such action, the prevailing party shall be entitled to recover attorney's fees from the non-mediating party, notwithstanding the terms in **paragraph 10**. Exclusions from the mediation agreement are specified in **paragraph 12B**.

B. ADDITIONAL MEDIATION TERMS: The following matters are excluded from mediation: **(i)** a judicial or non-judicial foreclosure or other action or proceeding to enforce a deed of trust, mortgage or installment land sale contract as defined in Civil code § 2985; **(ii)** an unlawful detainer action; **(iii)** the filing or enforcement of a mechanic's lien; and **(iv)** any matter that is within the jurisdiction of a probate, small claims or bankruptcy court. The filing of a court action to enable the recording of a notice of pending action for order of attachment, receivership, injunction, or other provisional remedies, shall not constitute a waiver of the mediation provisions, provided the filing party, concurrent with or immediately after such filing, makes a request to the court for a stay of litigation pending any mediation proceeding.

C. ARBITRATION ADVISORY: If Buyer and Broker desire to resolve disputes arising between them through arbitration rather than court, they can document their agreement by attaching and signing an Arbitration Agreement (C.A.R. Form ARB).

13. LEGALLY AUTHORIZED SIGNER: Wherever the signature or initials of the Legally Authorized Signer, identified in the signature block below, appear on this Agreement or any related documents, it shall be deemed to be in a representative capacity for the entity described and not in an individual capacity, unless otherwise indicated. The Legally Authorized Signer **(i)** represents that the entity for which that person is acting already exists and is in good standing to do business in California and **(ii)** shall deliver to Broker, within **3 days** after execution of this Agreement, evidence of authority to act in that capacity (such as but not limited to: applicable portion of the trust or Certification Of Trust (Probate Code § 18100.5), letters testamentary, court order, power of attorney, corporate resolution, or formation documents of the business entity).

14. ENTIRE AGREEMENT: All understandings between the parties are incorporated in this Agreement. Its terms are intended by the parties as a final, complete and exclusive expression of their agreement with respect to its subject matter, and may not be contradicted by evidence of any prior agreement or contemporaneous oral agreement. This Agreement may not be extended, amended, modified, altered or changed, except in writing signed by Buyer and Broker. In the event that any provision of this Agreement is held to be ineffective or invalid, the remaining provisions will nevertheless be given full force and effect. This Agreement and any supplement, addendum or modification, including any photocopy, facsimile, or electronic, may be executed in counterparts.



15. EXCLUSIVE REPRESENTATION: If "Exclusive" is checked in paragraph 2A(2) and initialed by Buyer here:

- A.** This Agreement shall be exclusive. Broker will devote time and resources to assist Buyer in finding and acquiring the Property in the expectation of being paid for Broker's services. **Buyer shall not enter into another representation agreement in conflict with this Agreement.**
- B. COMPENSATION:** Broker is entitled to compensation if Buyer acquires Property during the Representation Period with or without Broker Involvement, even if another broker is also entitled to be paid for representing Buyer.
- C. CANCELLATION:** Either Buyer or Broker may unilaterally cancel this Agreement by giving the other 30 days written notice (or as otherwise specified in **paragraph 2F**). If, within **5 days** after the effective date of the cancellation, Broker provides Buyer a list of properties for which there was Broker Involvement, Broker may still be entitled to compensation if Buyer purchases one of the properties on the list during the Representation Period or the Continuation Period specified in **paragraph 2E(3)**.

Buyer's Initials _____/_____

Buyer acknowledges that Buyer has read, understands, received a copy of and agrees to the terms of this Agreement.

☐ **ENTITY BUYERS: (Note: If this paragraph is completed, a Representative Capacity Signature Disclosure (C.A.R. Form RCSD) is not required for the Legally Authorized Signers designated below.)**

- (1) **Non-Individual (entity) Buyers:** One or more Buyers is a trust, corporation, LLC, probate estate, partnership, holding a power of attorney or other entity.
- (2) **Full entity name:** The following is the full name of the entity (if a trust, enter the complete trust name; if under probate, enter full name of the estate, including case #): _____
- (3) **Contractual Identity of Buyer:** For purposes of this Agreement, when the name described below is used, it shall be deemed to be the full entity name.
- (A) If a trust: The trustee(s) of the trust or a simplified trust name (ex. John Doe, co-trustee, Jane Doe, co-trustee or Doe Revocable Family Trust);
- (B) If Property is sold under the jurisdiction of a probate court: The name of the executor or administrator, or a simplified probate name (John Doe, executor, or Estate (or Conservatorship) of John Doe).
- (4) **Legally Authorized Signer:**
- (A) This Agreement is being Signed by a Legally Authorized Signer in a representative capacity and not in an individual capacity. See **paragraph 13** for additional terms.
- (B) The name(s) of the Legally Authorized Signer(s) is/are: _____, _____.

BUYER SIGNATURE(S):

(Signature) By, _____ Date: _____

Printed name of Buyer: _____

☐ Printed Name of Legally Authorized Signer: _____ Title, if applicable, _____

(Signature) By, _____ Date: _____

Printed name of Buyer: _____

☐ Printed Name of Legally Authorized Signer: _____ Title, if applicable, _____

☐ Additional Signature Addendum attached (C.A.R. Form ASA)

BROKER SIGNATURE(S):

Real Estate Broker (Firm) _____ DRE Lic# _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____

By (Broker/Agent) _____ Date _____

Tel. _____ E-mail _____ DRE Lic# _____

By (Broker/Agent) _____ Date _____

Tel. _____ E-mail _____ DRE Lic# _____

☐ More than one agent from the same firm represents Buyer. Additional Agent Acknowledgement (C.A.R. Form AAA) attached.

☐ Two Brokers with different companies are representing the Buyer. Co-Buyer Brokers information is on the attached Additional Broker Acknowledgement (C.A.R. Form ABA)

