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August 15, 2007

Carol DeCoursey 8209 172nd Avenue, NE Redmond, WA 98052

SUBJECT: Closed File No. 2006-07-0029-00REA

Dear Ms. DeCoursey:

I have received your communication regarding our decision to close the file pertaining to your complaint against real estate licensee Paul H. Stickney.

Our duty in this case was to collect evidence that pertained to the conduct of Paul H Stickney and to review the gathered information as it related to the laws over which we have jurisdiction. As in all of our cases we have only two choices after conducting an inquiry. We either close the file without disciplinary action or we refer the case for issuance of charges against the licensee.

We stated in our closing letter that, "we have determined that the evidence does not rise to the level to support the issuance of charges against Mr. Stickney's real estate license." This statement did not mean to infer that your evidence was "insufficient". It meant that we made a decision that the issues in this particular case did not meet the threshold level for allowing us to expend our limited legal resources pursuing formal administrative prosecution against Mr. Stickney's real estate license.

The Regulatory and Enforcement Section staff of the Real Estate Program Unit is responsible for retaining closed files and reviewing information when requested by a complainant. If you have additional questions or concerns please direct your communication to **Karen Jarvis**, **Manager**, **Real Estate Regulatory and Enforcement Unit**, **Business & Professions Division**, **Department of Licensing**, **PO Box 9015**, **Olympia**, **WA 98507-9015**. Her desk telephone number is 360-664-6484. The FAX number is 360-586-0998.

Sincerely.

Sandra E. Spencer

Investigation Manager Real Estate Investigations