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## **BUYER'S EXCLUSIVE AGENCY CONTRACT**

\_\_\_\_\_\_, Buyer hereby retains the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_\_, Buyer hereby retains the undersigned \_\_\_\_\_\_, inclusive, as Buyer's exclusive limited agent for the purpose of locating real property as described below and to assist in negotiating terms and conditions for the purchase (hereinafter to include purchase, lease or obtain an option thereon). The general description of property being sought is

In consideration of Buyer's agreement set forth above, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> agrees to use reasonable effort and diligence to locate property 6 acceptable to Buyer and to assist in negotiating terms and conditions for the purchase of said property. Unless Buyer requests otherwise, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> shall not be obligated to search for any properties other than those listed in the Mid America Regional 8 Information Systems (hereinafter referred to as "MLS property"). REALTOR<sup>®</sup> shall disclose in all offers to purchase property on 9 behalf of Buyer, its representation of Buyer and the source or sources of compensation. 10

REALTOR<sup>®</sup> shall provide professional services in accordance with local, state, and federal fair housing laws and without respect 11 to race, color, religion, sex, age, handicap, familial status, marital status, national origin, ancestry, sexual orientation or gender 12 13 identity.

14 Brokerage Fee: This is an exclusive agency agreement. If Buyer contracts to purchase a property during the term of this agreement, whether or not REALTOR<sup>®</sup> introduced the property to Buyer, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> is entitled to compensation as follows: 15

If compensation is offered by the Seller or the listing company, REALTOR\* will accept that compensation. However, REALTOR\* 16 shall not be obligated to show properties to Buyer if compensation offered to REALTOR<sup>®</sup> is not acceptable. When offered 17 compensation is less than REALTOR<sup>®</sup>'s minimum of \_\_\_\_\_% or \$\_\_\_\_\_(whichever is greater), Buyer will pay the difference. Compensation is due and payable at closing. 18 19

- Buyer agrees to pay REALTOR<sup>%</sup> additional compensation of . This portion of the additional compensation shall be due and payable to REALTOR<sup>%</sup> on (check whichever applies): 20 21
- 22 the Effective Date of this Employment Contract.
- only if and on the same date that the other compensation above provided for is payable. 23

days (120 days if none stated) after the end of this agreement, Buyer contracts to purchase a property which is 24 If within introduced to Buyer during the term of this agreement, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> is entitled to the fee stated above; however, no compensation 25 is owed if Buyer enters into a bona fide Buyer's Exclusive Agency Contract with another REALTOR\* during this period and 26 27 compensation is paid to the other REALTOR<sup> $\kappa$ </sup>. Buyer acknowledges that REALTOR<sup> $\kappa$ </sup> is not considered an agent of the Seller or 28 listing company solely by accepting compensation from the Seller and/or listing company.

29 Other Potential Buyers: Buyer understands that other potential Buyers may consider, make offers on, buy, or lease through 30 REALTOR<sup>®</sup> the same or similar properties as Buyer is seeking to purchase. Buyer consents to REALTOR<sup>®</sup>'s representation of and/or working with other such Buyers before, during and after the expiration of this agreement. 31

**Representations:** Buyer acknowledges that REALTOR<sup>\*</sup> is not acting as an attorney, tax advisor, lender, surveyor, building 32 inspector, termite inspector, structural engineer or architect. Buyer should seek assistance from other professionals as deemed 33 appropriate by Buyer. "Buyer acknowledges that Buyer should contact law enforcement officials for information pertaining to 34 35 whether registered sex offenders or other convicted criminals reside in the area."

36 If a property has had construction work performed, the lien rights of persons who performed work or supplied materials are 37 affected by the requirements of Chapter 429 of the Missouri Revised Statutes. Failure by the property owner to post and record a 38 timely "notice of intended sale" may affect lien rights and Buyer's ability to get mechanic's lien coverage in Buyer's title insurance policy. 39

40 Relationship Limits: This agreement, according to Missouri law, establishes an agency relationship and therefore, prohibits 41 (disallows) the Designated Broker (REALTOR<sup>®</sup>) and/or affiliated licensees from acting as a transaction brokerage. Buyer authorizes  $REALTOR^{*}$  to offer sub agency and to pay another broker or subagent a portion of the commission. 42

## 43 MINIMUM BROKERAGE SERVICES (SECTION 339.780.7 RSMo)

- All exclusive brokerage agreements shall specify that the broker, through the broker or through one or more affiliated licensees,
   shall provide, at a minimum, the following services:
- 46 (1) Accepting delivery of and presenting to the client or customer offers and counteroffers to buy, sell, or lease the client's or
   47 customer's property or the property the client or customer seeks to purchase or lease;
- 48 (2) Assisting the client or customer in developing, communicating, negotiating, and presenting offers, counteroffers, and 49 notices that relate to the offers and the counteroffers until a lease or purchase agreement is signed and all contingencies are 50 satisfied or waived; and
- 51 (3) Answering the client's or customer's questions relating to the offers, counteroffers, notices, and contingencies.

## 52 DUTIES AND OBLIGATIONS OF LIMITED AGENCY (SECTION 339.740 RSMo)

- A licensee representing a Buyer or tenant as a Buyer's or tenant's agent shall be a limited agent with the following duties and obligations:
  - (1) To perform the terms of any written agreement made with the client;
  - (2) To exercise reasonable skill and care for the client;

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- (3) To promote the interests of the client with the utmost good faith, loyalty, and fidelity, including:
  - (a) Seeking a price and terms which are acceptable to the client, except that the licensee shall not be obligated to seek other properties while the client is a party to a contract to purchase property or to a lease or letter of intent to lease;
  - (b) Presenting all written offers to and from the client in a timely manner regardless of whether the client is already a party to a contract to purchase property or is already a party to a contract or a letter of intent to lease;
  - (c) Disclosing to the client adverse material facts actually known or that should have been known by the licensee; and
  - (d) Advising the client to obtain expert advice as to material matters about which the licensee knows but the specifics of which are beyond the expertise of the licensee;
- (4) To account in a timely manner for all money and property received;
- (5) To comply with all requirements of sections 339.710 to 339.860, subsection 2 of section 339.100, and any rules and regulations promulgated pursuant to those sections; and
- (6) To comply with any applicable federal, state, and local laws, rules, regulations, and ordinances, including fair housing and civil rights statutes or regulations.
- A licensee acting as a Buyer's or tenant's agent shall not disclose any confidential information about the client unless disclosure is required by statute, rule, or regulation or failure to disclose the information would constitute a misrepresentation or unless disclosure is necessary to defend the affiliated licensee against an action of wrongful conduct in an administrative or judicial proceeding or before a professional committee. No cause of action for any person shall arise against a licensee acting as a Buyer's or tenant's agent for making any required or permitted disclosure.
- A licensee acting as a Buyer's or tenant's agent owes no duty or obligation to a customer, except that the licensee shall disclose to any customer all adverse material facts actually known or that should have been known by the licensee. A Buyer's or tenant's agent owes no duty to conduct an independent investigation of the client's financial condition for the benefit of the customer and owes no duty to independently verify the accuracy or completeness of statements made by the client or any independent inspector.
- A Buyer's or tenant's agent may show properties in which the client is interested to other prospective Buyers or tenants without
  breaching any duty or obligation to the client. This section shall not be construed to prohibit a Buyer's or tenant's agent from
  showing competing Buyers or tenants the same property and from assisting competing Buyers or tenants in attempting to
  purchase or lease a particular property.
- A client may agree in writing with a Buyer's or tenant's agent that other designated brokers may be retained and compensated
  as subagents. Any designated broker acting on the Buyer's or tenant's behalf as a subagent shall be a limited agent with the
  obligations and responsibilities set forth in subsections 1 to 4 of this section.

- Broker Disclosure Form: Buyer acknowledges receipt of the Broker Disclosure Form prescribed by the commission (Missouri
   Real Estate Commission) by either a) on or before the signing of the (this) Buyer's agency agreement, or b) upon the licensee
   obtaining any personal or financial information, whichever occurs first.
- Dual Agency: Buyer acknowledges having read the "Dual Agency" provisions referenced on page 4 of this form. Buyer consents
   to the possibility of a dual agency relationship and its potential conflict of interest as described in the Missouri Broker Disclosure
   Form. Dual agency will not affect the compensation as described above.
- 93 Duties and Obligations: Buyer acknowledges having read the "Duties and Obligations of Limited Agency" referenced on page 2
   94 of this form.

Note: If a designated agent is appointed in accordance with this agreement, dual agency does not occur unless one of the
 two exceptions described in the "designated agent" paragraph of the Missouri Broker Disclosure Form occurs. Buyer
 acknowledges that broker may also represent Sellers under agency agreements.

If Buyer breaches this Buyer's Exclusive Agency Contract or it becomes necessary for REALTOR<sup>®</sup> to retain an attorney to enforce any of the terms hereof, then without limiting any other right or remedy here under or otherwise available at law or in equity, REALTOR<sup>®</sup> shall be entitled to recover all costs and expenses of litigation incurred, including but not limited to court costs and reasonable attorney fees. The provisions of this paragraph shall survive the expiration or any earlier termination of this Contract.

102 If, as authorized in the Missouri Broker Disclosure Form, the REALTOR<sup>®</sup> (Designated Broker) authorizes its licensees to act as
 103 Designated Agents, \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ is

appointed by the REALTOR<sup>®</sup> (Designated Broker) as Buyer's designated agent, as described in the Missouri Broker Disclosure Form. In the event the designated agent is not available at any given time, any of the following agents associated with the REALTOR<sup>®</sup> are hereby appointed by the REALTOR<sup>®</sup> (Designated Broker) to represent the Buyer, without further notice: (If a designated agent is appointed, the Designated Broker must sign this agreement as authorized agent.)

111Buyer and REALTOR® agree that either party may acknowledge amendments to this Agreement by email communications112sent from one of the following email addresses. Authorization is not granted if no email address is provided.

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| 114 | BUYER SIGNATURE                   | DATE | BUYER SIGNATURE            | DATE |
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| 116 | Buyer Printed Name                |      | Buyer Printed Name         |      |
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| 118 | Buyer Current Address             |      | Buyer Current Address      |      |
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| 120 | Buyer City, State, Zip            |      | Buyer City, State, Zip     |      |
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| 122 | Buyer Email Address               |      | Buyer Email Address        |      |
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| 124 | Buyer Phone                       |      | Buyer Phone                |      |
| 125 | Fox Financial Realty & Relocation |      |                            |      |
| 126 | REALTOR <sup>®</sup> (Company)    |      | Authorized Agent Signature | DATE |
| 127 |                                   |      | bryan@bryankelsey.com      |      |
| 128 |                                   |      | Authorized Agent Email     |      |
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## 129 DISCLOSED DUAL AGENCY (SECTION 339.750 RSMo)

- A licensee may act as a dual agent only with the consent of all parties to the transaction. Consent shall be presumed by a written agreement pursuant to section 339.780.
- A dual agent shall be a limited agent for both the Seller and Buyer or the landlord and tenant and shall have the duties and obligations required by sections 339.730 and 339.740 unless otherwise provided for in this section.
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   3. Except as provided in subsections 4 and 5 of this section, a dual agent may disclose any information to one client that the
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   4. The following information shall not be disclosed by a dual agent without the consent of the client to whom the information pertains:
- 139 (1) That a Buyer or tenant is willing to pay more than the purchase price or lease rate offered for the property;
- 140 (2) That a Seller or landlord is willing to accept less than the asking price or lease rate for the property;
- 141 (3) What the motivating factors are for any client buying, selling, or leasing the property;
- 142 (4) That a client will agree to financing terms other than those offered; and
- 143 (5) The terms of any prior offers or counteroffers made by any party.
- A dual agent shall not disclose to one client any confidential information about the other client unless the disclosure is required by statute, rule or regulation or failure to disclose the information would constitute a misrepresentation or unless disclosure is necessary to defend the affiliated licensee against an action of wrongful conduct in an administrative or judicial proceeding or before a professional committee. No cause of action for any person shall arise against a dual agent for making any required or
- 148 permitted disclosure. A dual agent does not terminate the dual agency relationship by making any required or permitted 149 disclosure.
- In a dual agency relationship there shall be no imputation of knowledge or information between the client and the dual agent or among persons within an entity engaged as a dual agent.