

Texas law requires all real estate licensees to give the following information about brokerage services to prospective buyers, tenants, sellers and landlords.

## Information About Brokerage Services

**B**efore working with a real estate broker, you should know that the duties of a broker depend on whom the broker represents. If you are a prospective seller or landlord (owner) or a prospective buyer or tenant (buyer), you should know that the broker who lists the property for sale or lease is the owner's agent. A broker who acts as a subagent represents the owner in cooperation with the listing broker. A broker who acts as a buyer's agent represents the buyer. A broker may act as an intermediary between the parties if the parties consent in writing. A broker can assist you in locating a property, preparing a contract or lease, or obtaining financing without representing you. A broker is obligated by law to treat you honestly.

### IF THE BROKER REPRESENTS THE OWNER:

The broker becomes the owner's agent by entering into an agreement with the owner, usually through a written - listing agreement, or by agreeing to act as a subagent by accepting an offer of subagency from the listing broker. A subagent may work in a different real estate office. A listing broker or subagent can assist the buyer but does not represent the buyer and must place the interests of the owner first. The buyer should not tell the owner's agent anything the buyer would not want the owner to know because an owner's agent must disclose to the owner any material information known to the agent.

### IF THE BROKER REPRESENTS THE BUYER:

The broker becomes the buyer's agent by entering into an agreement to represent the buyer, usually through a written buyer representation agreement. A buyer's agent can assist the owner but does not represent the owner and must place the interests of the buyer first. The owner should not tell a buyer's agent anything the owner would not want the buyer to know because a buyer's agent must disclose to the buyer any material information known to the agent.

### IF THE BROKER ACTS AS AN INTERMEDIARY:

A broker may act as an intermediary between the parties if the broker complies with The Texas Real Estate License

Act. The broker must obtain the written consent of each party to the transaction to act as an intermediary. The written consent must state who will pay the broker and, in conspicuous bold or underlined print, set forth the broker's obligations as an intermediary. The broker is required to treat each party honestly and fairly and to comply with The Texas Real Estate License Act. A broker who acts as an intermediary in a transaction:

- (1) shall treat all parties honestly;
- (2) may not disclose that the owner will accept a price less than the asking price unless authorized in writing to do so by the owner;
- (3) may not disclose that the buyer will pay a price greater than the price submitted in a written offer unless authorized in writing to do so by the buyer; and
- (4) may not disclose any confidential information or any information that a party specifically instructs the broker in writing not to disclose unless authorized in writing to disclose the information or required to do so by The Texas Real Estate License Act or a court order or if the information materially relates to the condition of the property.

With the parties' consent, a broker acting as an intermediary between the parties may appoint a person who is licensed under The Texas Real Estate License Act and associated with the broker to communicate with and carry out instructions of one party and another person who is licensed under that Act and associated with the broker to communicate with and carry out instructions of the other party.

### If you choose to have a broker represent you,

you should enter into a written agreement with the broker that clearly establishes the broker's obligations and your obligations. The agreement should state how and by whom the broker will be paid. You have the right to choose the type of representation, if any, you wish to receive. Your payment of a fee to a broker does not necessarily establish that the broker represents you. If you have any questions regarding the duties and responsibilities of the broker, you should resolve those questions before proceeding.

Real estate licensee asks that you acknowledge receipt of this information about brokerage services for the licensee's records.

Buyer, Seller, Landlord or Tenant

Date

Texas Real Estate Brokers and Salespersons are licensed and regulated by the Texas Real Estate Commission (TREC). If you have a question or complaint regarding a real estate licensee, you should contact TREC at P.O. Box 12188, Austin, Texas 78711-2188 or 512-465-3960.



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TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®  
**INSPECTOR INFORMATION**

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TO: \_\_\_\_\_ (Client)

FROM: \_\_\_\_\_ (Broker's Firm)

RE: 5935 Raymond Stotzer Pkwy., College Station, 77845 (Property)

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

The attached list includes inspectors licensed by the Texas Real Estate Commission and may also include other persons authorized by law to perform certain inspections (for example, termite inspectors, engineers, electricians, or plumbers). The list is not a complete list of all inspectors that may perform inspections. You may also obtain a list from other sources (for example, the local telephone directory or the Internet).

This firm strongly recommends that you hire inspectors to help you evaluate the condition of the Property.

Inspections are of conditions which are *present* and *visible* at the time of the inspections. Property conditions change with time and use. Inspectors are not likely to point out small problems or defects that are not reasonably observable at the time of inspection. Inspectors will not move furniture, appliances, permanent coverings, or other obstructions. Neither inspectors nor real estate licensees can guarantee future performance of any item.

This firm does not recommend any particular inspector and does not warrant the quality of any inspector's inspection.

It is recommended that you accompany the inspectors during the inspections. You should address any questions about an inspection directly to your inspector.

Real estate licensees are not inspectors by virtue of their real estate licenses.

It may be necessary to make certain arrangements for the inspectors, such as providing access and turning on utilities.

Receipt of this notice is acknowledged and:

- I choose to hire an inspector.
- I choose not to hire an inspector.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Client

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®  
**INFORMATION ABOUT MINERAL CLAUSES IN CONTRACT FORMS**

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*This form contains general information about mineral estates in published contract forms.*

1. **INTRODUCTION:** Historically, buyers and sellers of property near urban areas have not been concerned about the conveyance or retention of mineral interests. Mineral interests for such properties may have been severed in the past or the value of the mineral interests may have been relatively insignificant. There has historically been little risk that the owner of the mineral interests under property near urban areas could or would access the surface of the property to drill or excavate for minerals (perhaps, because the property was too small to support such activity or because such activity may have been heavily regulated by a city). In recent years, the discovery of large mineral deposits near urban areas and advances in drilling technologies have led to increased exploration and drilling activities in and near urban areas. In turn, buyers and sellers of property in urban and suburban areas have raised questions as to whether it is best to convey or retain all or part of the mineral interests in a particular sale.
  
2. **WHO OWNS THE MINERALS?** Owners of property in or near urban areas typically are not aware of the precise extent of the mineral interests they may own. One may own all or only a portion of the mineral interests. Further, the mineral interests may have been leased. Determining who owns the mineral interests, whether the mineral interests have been leased, and who holds rights under any leases requires an expert (such as an oil and gas attorney) to review the chain of title and formulate an informed opinion.
  
3. **CONTRACT FORMS:** The residential contract forms promulgated by the Texas Real Estate Commission and the commercial contract forms published by the Texas Association of REALTORS® provide that the seller will convey to the buyer all of the seller's rights associated with the property, including all mineral interests and any rights held under any mineral leases by the seller. If a seller wishes to reserve all or a part of the mineral interests and rights held by the seller, the seller must use the Texas Real Estate Commission's Addendum for Reservation of Oil, Gas, And Other Minerals (TREC No. 44-0, TAR No. 1905). If the addendum is not attached to the sales contract, the seller conveys to the buyer all of the mineral interests and rights held by the seller at the time of the transaction.
  
4. **RESOURCES:** One may find information related to mineral estates and mineral leases through many sources, including but not limited to: (a) the Real Estate Research Center ([www.recenter.tamu.edu](http://www.recenter.tamu.edu)); and (b) the Railroad Commission of Texas ([www.rrc.state.tx.us](http://www.rrc.state.tx.us)). There are many other useful sources that one can access via the Internet through most Internet search engines.

The undersigned acknowledge receipt of this notice.

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Date

Printed Name: \_\_\_\_\_



TEXAS ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®

GENERAL INFORMATION AND NOTICE TO A BUYER

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Be an informed buyer. Make sure that the property you want to purchase meets your needs. The following information may assist you during your purchase.

ANNEXATION. If the property you buy is outside the limits of a municipality, you should be aware that the property may later be annexed by a nearby municipality. You may find information on the boundaries of nearby municipalities by contacting the municipalities directly.

APPRAISAL. An appraisal is a valuation of the property. An appraiser renders an estimate of value as of a certain date under assumptions and conditions stated in the appraisal report. Typically, a buyer's lender requires an appraisal to verify that the loan is secured by property that is worth a certain amount. An appraisal is not the same as an inspection.

BROKERS. A real estate broker represents a party (buyer or seller) in a real estate transaction or may act as an intermediary between the parties. You may work with the broker or with one of the broker's agents. You will be provided a form titled "Information About Brokerage Services" (TAR 2501) which defines agency relationships. The agent may help you locate a property and is obligated to negotiate the transaction. The agent may assist you in gathering information and may coordinate many details in the transaction. Brokers and agents are not inspectors. They do not possess the expertise to conduct inspections and therefore do not make any representations, warranties, or guarantees about a property's condition. Agents are not attorneys. You are encouraged to seek the assistance of an attorney to help you understand any of the legal consequences and provisions of your contract or transaction.

ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS.

General. Over the years the market has identified environmental conditions that buyers should know may exist. Environmental hazards include, but are not limited to, conditions such as: asbestos, lead-based paint, mold, pesticides, radon gas, toxic waste, underground storage tanks, urea formaldehyde insulation, and other pollutants. Wetlands or endangered species on the property may restrict the use of the property.

Environmental Inspections. If you are concerned that environmental hazards, wetlands, or endangered species may be present on the property you wish to buy, you should hire a qualified expert to inspect the property for such items. You may include a promulgated addendum (TAR 1917) in your contract that may address such matters.

Lead-Based Paint. If you buy a property that was built before 1978, federal law requires that you be provided with: (1) the pamphlet titled "Protect Your Family from Lead in Your Home" (TAR 2511); (2) the records and reports the seller has concerning lead-based paint or hazards; and (3) an opportunity to have the property inspected for lead-based paint or hazards.

Mold. It is not uncommon to find mold spores in a property. The concern about mold increases when there are large amounts of mold found in a property. The Texas Department of Insurance publishes a document titled "Protect Your Home from Mold" (TAR 2507) which discusses mold in more detail.

Noise. Properties around the property you may buy are used for a variety of purposes. Some of the uses cause noise (for example, airports, railways, highways, restaurants, bars, schools, arenas and construction). You are encouraged to drive and review the area around any property in which you are interested at various times and days.

Oak Wilt and Diseased Trees. There are diseases such as oak wilt and other conditions that may affect trees and other plants. Oak wilt is a fungus that affects certain oak trees. If you are concerned about such matters, have the trees and other plants inspected by a professional of your choice.

**EXPANSIVE SOILS.** Soil conditions vary greatly throughout Texas. Many soils will move; some more than others. This movement will, many times, affect the foundation of homes and buildings and may cause cracks to appear in walls or other parts of the building. Additionally, if you buy a property that is newly constructed, the concrete curing process may also cause the foundation of the building to move. Seasonal changes in the moisture in the soil may also cause foundations to move. Check with your inspector and other experts on preventive methods that you can follow to minimize the risk of such movement.

**FLOOD HAZARD AREAS, FLOODWAYS, AND FLOOD INSURANCE.** Many properties are in flood hazard areas. Lenders who make loans on properties located in special flood hazard areas typically require the owner to maintain flood insurance. Additionally, some properties may lie in the floodway. The Texas Association of REALTORS® publishes a form titled, "Information about Special Flood Hazard Areas" (TAR 1414), which discusses flood hazard areas and floodways in more detail. You are encouraged to buy flood insurance regardless of whether the property is in a high, moderate, or low risk flood area.

**HISTORIC OR CONSERVATION DISTRICTS.** Properties located in historic or conservation districts may have restrictions on use and architecture of the properties. Local governments may create historic or conservation districts for the preservation of certain architectural appeal. A property owner may or may not be aware if the property is located in such a district. If you are concerned whether the property you wish to buy is located in such a district, contact the local government for specific information.

**INSPECTION, REPAIRS, & WALK-THROUGH.**

*Inspections.* You are encouraged to have the property you want to buy inspected by licensed inspectors of your choice. You should have the inspections completed during any option period. You should accompany the inspectors during the inspections and ask the inspectors any questions. Brokers and agents do not possess any special skills, knowledge or expertise concerning inspections or repairs. If you request names of inspectors or repair professionals from your agent, you should note that the agent is not making any representation or warranty as to the ability or workmanship of the inspector or repair professionals.

*Repairs.* You and the seller should resolve, in writing, any obligation to complete repairs you may request before the option period expires.

*Walk-Through.* Before you close the sale, you should walk through the property and verify that any repairs are complete. If the condition of the property does not satisfy the contractual provisions, notify your agent before you close.

**MANDATORY OWNERS' ASSOCIATIONS.** The property you buy may require you to be a member in one or more owners' associations. You may obtain copies of any deed restrictions and owners' association rules from the county clerk, the title company you use in the transaction, or the owners' association. If membership in an owners' association is required, you will probably be obligated to pay periodic dues or assessments. Failure to pay such dues could result in a lien on and foreclosure of the property.

**MINERAL INTERESTS:** Determining who owns the mineral interests under a property (for example, rights to oil and gas interests) normally requires an expert to review the chain of title to the property. Many times the mineral interests may have been severed from the property and may be owned by persons other than the seller. Contract forms commonly used in Texas provide that the seller's interest, if any, in the mineral interests convey to the buyer as part of the property. However, a seller may wish to retain all or a part of the mineral interests. The Texas Association of REALTORS® publishes a form titled "Information about Mineral Clauses in Contract Forms" (TAR No. 2509) which discusses this issue in more detail.

**MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE.** The Multiple Listing Service (MLS) is a database and cooperative tool between brokers. Agents who use the MLS must comply with the MLS's rules. The listing agent is required to timely report the current status of a listing, including when the property is sold or leased or is no longer available, as well as the sales price. Subscribers (other brokers, agents, appraisers, other real estate professionals, and the appraisal districts) have access to the information for market evaluation purposes. Much of the information in the MLS, such as square footage, assessed value, taxes, school boundaries, and year built is obtained from different sources such as the county appraisal district, an appraiser, or builder. The broker or agent who provides you with information from the MLS does not verify the accuracy of the information. You should independently verify the information in the MLS and not rely on the information.

**POSSESSION.** Most contracts provide that the seller will deliver possession of the property to the buyer at the time the sale *closes and funds*. Sometimes there is a short delay between closing and actual funding; especially if the buyer is obtaining funds from a lender. You may need to verify with the lender if the loan will fund on the day of closing. You should also take this potential delay into account when planning your move into the property. Any possession by the buyer before the sale closes and funds (or by the seller after the sale closes and funds) must be authorized by a written lease.

**PROPERTY INSURANCE.** Promptly after entering into a contract to buy a property and before any option period expires, contact your insurance agent to determine the availability and affordability of insurance for the property. There are numerous variables that an insurance company will evaluate when offering insurance at certain coverage levels and at certain prices. Most lenders require that the property be insured in an amount not less than the loan amount. The failure to obtain property insurance before closing may delay the transaction or cause it to end. The Texas Association of REALTORS® publishes a document titled, "Information about Property Insurance for a Buyer or Seller" (TAR 2508), which discusses property insurance in more detail.

**RESIDENTIAL SERVICE CONTRACTS.** A residential service contract is a product under which a residential service company, for an annual fee, agrees to repair or replace certain equipment or items in a property (for example, covered appliances, air conditioning and heating systems, and plumbing systems). Co-payments typically apply to most service calls. If you request names of residential service companies from your agent, you should note that the agent is not making any representation or warranty about the service company.

**SCHOOL BOUNDARIES.** School boundaries may change and are, at times, difficult to determine. The school boundaries that your agent may provide to you or that may be provided through a Multiple Listing Service are only mapped estimates from other sources. You are encouraged to verify with the school district which schools residents in the property will attend.

**SEPTIC TANKS AND ON-SITE SEWER FACILITIES.** Many properties have septic tanks or other on-site sewer facilities. There are several types of such systems. Special maintenance requirements may apply to certain systems. Please refer to a document titled, "Information about On-Site Sewer Facility" (TAR 1407) for more information. You should also determine if the county requires any registration or other action in order for you to begin using the septic system or on-site sewer facility.

**SEX OFFENDERS AND CRIMINAL ACTIVITY.** If you are concerned about sex offenders who may reside in the area in which you are buying, access [www.txdps.state.tx.us](http://www.txdps.state.tx.us). Contact the local police department to obtain information about any criminal activity in the area.

**SQUARE FOOTAGE.** If you base your purchase price on the size of the property's building and structures, you should have any information you receive about the square footage independently verified. Square footage information comes from other sources such as appraisal districts, appraisers, and builders. Such information is only an estimate. The actual square footage may vary.

**STATUTORY TAX DISTRICTS.** The property you buy may be located in a utility or other statutorily created district providing water, sewer, drainage, or flood control facilities and services (for example a Municipal Utility District, Water Improvement District, or a Public Improvement District). You are likely to receive a prescribed notice when buying property in such a district.

**SURVEY.** A survey identifies the location of boundaries, major improvements, fence lines, drives, encroachments, easements, and other items on the property. You should obtain a survey early enough in the transaction to help you identify any encroachments, encumbrances to title, or restrictions. Your contract will typically contain a provision under which you may obtain or be provided with a survey and the right to object to encumbrances to title disclosed in the survey.

**SYNTHETIC STUCCO.** Synthetic stucco (sometimes known as EIFS) is an exterior siding product that was placed on some properties in the recent past. If the product was not properly installed, it has been known to cause damage to the structure (such as wood rot and moisture). If the property you wish to buy has synthetic stucco, ask your inspector to carefully inspect the siding and ask your inspector any questions you may have.

**TAX PRORATIONS.** Typically, a buyer and seller agree to prorate a property's taxes through the closing date. Property taxes are due and payable at the end of each calendar year. The escrow agent will estimate, at closing, the taxes for the current year. If the seller is qualified for tax exemptions (for example, homestead, agricultural, or over-65 exemption), such exemptions may or may not apply after closing. After closing the taxes may increase because the exemptions may no longer apply. When buying new construction, the taxes at closing may be prorated based on the land value only and will later increase when the appraisal district includes the value of the new improvements. The actual taxes due, therefore, at the end of the year and in subsequent years may be different from the estimates used at closing.

**TERMINATION OPTION.** Most contract forms contain an option clause which provides the buyer with an unrestricted right to terminate the contract. Most buyers choose to buy the termination option. You will be required to pay for the termination option in advance. The option fee is negotiable. Most buyers will conduct many of their reviews, inspections, and other due diligence during the option period. You must strictly comply with the time period under the option. The option period is not suspended or extended if you and the seller negotiate repairs or an amendment. If you want to extend the option period you must negotiate an extension separately, obtain the extension in writing, and pay an additional fee for the extension. Do not rely on any oral extensions.

**TIDE WATERS.** If the property you buy adjoins any of the state's tidal waters, you will be given a prescribed notice titled, "Addendum for Coastal Area Notice" (TAR 1915) at the time you sign a contract. Boundaries of properties along such waters may change and building restrictions will apply. If the property is located seaward of the Gulf Intracoastal Canal, you will receive a separate notice (TAR 1916).

**TITLE INSURANCE OR ABSTRACT OF TITLE.** You should obtain a title insurance policy or have an abstract of title covering the property examined by your attorney. If you obtain a title insurance policy, you should have the commitment of title insurance reviewed by your attorney not later than the time required under your contract.

**UTILITIES.** You should evaluate what utilities you will require and check to be sure that the utilities available in the area suit your needs. Some structures may or may not have utilities and electrical facilities to support many modern appliances or equipment.

**WATER WELLS.** If the property you buy has a water well, you should have, and the lender may require, the equipment inspected and water tested. You should also determine if the county requires any registration or other action in order for you to begin using the water well.

**OTHER.**

This form was provided by:

By signing below I acknowledge that I received, read, and understand this information and notice.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Broker's Printed Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer Date

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Broker's Associate's Signature Date

\_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer Date



UNIMPROVED PROPERTY CONTRACT

NOTICE: Not For Use For Condominium Transactions

1. PARTIES: The parties to this contract are Dan Ruch (Seller) and (Buyer). Seller agrees to sell and convey to Buyer and Buyer agrees to buy from Seller the Property defined below.

2. PROPERTY: Lot Lot 14, Block N/A, Oak Hills Subdivision, Addition, City of College Station, County of Brazos, Texas, known as 5935 Raymond Stotzer Pkwy. 77845 (address/zip code), or as described on attached exhibit together with all rights, privileges and appurtenances pertaining thereto, including but not limited to: water rights, claims, permits, strips and gores, easements, and cooperative or association memberships (the Property).

3. SALES PRICE:

- A. Cash portion of Sales Price payable by Buyer at closing. \$
B. Sum of all financing described below (excluding any loan funding fee or mortgage insurance premium) \$
C. Sales Price (Sum of A and B) \$

4. FINANCING: The portion of Sales Price not payable in cash will be paid as follows: (Check applicable boxes below)

- A. THIRD PARTY FINANCING: One or more third party mortgage loans in the total amount of \$ (excluding any loan funding fee or mortgage insurance premium).
(1) Property Approval: If the Property does not satisfy the lenders' underwriting requirements for the loan(s), this contract will terminate and the earnest money will be refunded to Buyer.
(2) Financing Approval: (Check one box only)
(a) This contract is subject to Buyer being approved for the financing described in the attached Third Party Financing Condition Addendum.
(b) This contract is not subject to Buyer being approved for financing and does not involve FHA or VA financing.
B. ASSUMPTION: The assumption of the unpaid principal balance of one or more promissory notes described in the attached TREC Loan Assumption Addendum.
C. SELLER FINANCING: A promissory note from Buyer to Seller of \$ , secured by vendor's and deed of trust liens, and containing the terms and conditions described in the attached TREC Seller Financing Addendum. If an owner policy of title insurance is furnished, Buyer shall furnish Seller with a mortgagee policy of title insurance.

5. EARNEST MONEY: Upon execution of this contract by all parties, Buyer shall deposit \$ as earnest money with University Title Company as escrow agent, at 1021 University Dr. East, C.S., TX, 77840 (address). Buyer shall deposit additional earnest money of \$ with escrow agent within days after the effective date of this contract. If Buyer fails to deposit the earnest money as required by this contract, Buyer will be in default.

6. TITLE POLICY AND SURVEY:

- A. TITLE POLICY: Seller shall furnish to Buyer at Seller's Buyer's expense an owner policy of title insurance (Title Policy) issued by University Title Company (Title Company) in the amount of the Sales Price, dated at or after closing, insuring Buyer against loss under the provisions of the Title Policy, subject to the promulgated exclusions (including existing building and zoning ordinances) and the following exceptions:
(1) Restrictive covenants common to the platted subdivision in which the Property is located.
(2) The standard printed exception for standby fees, taxes and assessments.
(3) Liens created as part of the financing described in Paragraph 4.
(4) Utility easements created by the dedication deed or plat of the subdivision in which the Property is located.
(5) Reservations or exceptions otherwise permitted by this contract or as may be approved by Buyer in writing.
(6) The standard printed exception as to marital rights.
(7) The standard printed exception as to waters, tidelands, beaches, streams, and related matters.
(8) The standard printed exception as to discrepancies, conflicts, shortages in area or boundary lines, encroachments or protrusions, or overlapping improvements. Buyer, at Buyer's expense, may have the exception amended to read, "shortages in area".
B. COMMITMENT: Within 20 days after the Title Company receives a copy of this contract, Seller shall furnish to Buyer a commitment for title insurance (Commitment) and, at Buyer's expense, legible copies of restrictive covenants and documents evidencing exceptions in the

Commitment (Exception Documents) other than the standard printed exceptions. Seller authorizes the Title Company to deliver the Commitment and Exception Documents to Buyer at Buyer's address shown in Paragraph 21. If the Commitment and Exception Documents are not delivered to Buyer within the specified time, the time for delivery will be automatically extended up to 15 days or the Closing Date, whichever is earlier.

C. SURVEY: The survey must be made by a registered professional land surveyor acceptable to the Title Company and Buyer's lender(s). (Check one box only)

(1) Within \_\_\_\_\_ days after the effective date of this contract, Seller shall furnish to Buyer and Title Company Seller's existing survey of the Property and a Residential Real Property Affidavit promulgated by the Texas Department of Insurance (Affidavit). If the existing survey or Affidavit is not acceptable to Title Company or Buyer's lender(s), Buyer shall obtain a new survey at  Seller's  Buyer's expense no later than 3 days prior to Closing Date. **If Seller fails to furnish the existing survey or Affidavit within the time prescribed, Buyer shall obtain a new survey at Seller's expense no later than 3 days prior to Closing Date.**

(2) Within 15 days after the effective date of this contract, Buyer shall obtain a new survey at Buyer's expense. Buyer is deemed to receive the survey on the date of actual receipt or the date specified in this paragraph, whichever is earlier.

(3) Within \_\_\_\_\_ days after the effective date of this contract, Seller, at Seller's expense shall furnish a new survey to Buyer.

D. OBJECTIONS: Buyer may object in writing to (i) defects, exceptions, or encumbrances to title: disclosed on the survey other than items 6A(1) through (7) above; or disclosed in the Commitment other than items 6A(1) through (8) above; (ii) any portion of the Property lying in a special flood hazard area (Zone V or A) as shown on the current Federal Emergency Management Agency map; or (iii) any exceptions which prohibit the following use or activity: Residential Use

Buyer must object the earlier of (i) the Closing Date or (ii) 7 days after Buyer receives the Commitment, Exception Documents, and the survey. Buyer's failure to object within the time allowed will constitute a waiver of Buyer's right to object, except that the requirements in Schedule C of the Commitment are not waived. Provided Seller is not obligated to incur any expense, Seller shall cure the timely objections of Buyer or any third party lender within 15 days after Seller receives the objections and the Closing Date will be extended as necessary. If objections are not cured within such 15 day period, this contract will terminate and the earnest money will be refunded to Buyer unless Buyer waives the objections.

E. TITLE NOTICES:

(1) ABSTRACT OR TITLE POLICY: Broker advises Buyer to have an abstract of title covering the Property examined by an attorney of Buyer's selection, or Buyer should be furnished with or obtain a Title Policy. If a Title Policy is furnished, the Commitment should be promptly reviewed by an attorney of Buyer's choice due to the time limitations on Buyer's right to object.

(2) PROPERTY OWNERS' ASSOCIATION MANDATORY MEMBERSHIP: The Property  is  is not subject to mandatory membership in a property owners' association. If the Property is subject to mandatory membership in a property owners' association, Seller notifies Buyer under §5.012, Texas Property Code, that, as a purchaser of property in the residential community identified in Paragraph 2A in which the Property is located, you are obligated to be a member of the property owners' association. Restrictive covenants governing the use and occupancy of the Property and a dedicatory instrument governing the establishment, maintenance, and operation of this residential community have been or will be recorded in the Real Property Records of the county in which the Property is located. Copies of the restrictive covenants and dedicatory instrument may be obtained from the county clerk. You are obligated to pay assessments to the property owners' association. The amount of the assessments is subject to change. Your failure to pay the assessments could result in a lien on and the foreclosure of the Property. **If Buyer is concerned about these matters, the TREC promulgated Addendum for Property Subject to Mandatory Membership in a Property Owners' Association should be used.**

(3) STATUTORY TAX DISTRICTS: If the Property is situated in a utility or other statutorily created district providing water, sewer, drainage, or flood control facilities and services, Chapter 49, Texas Water Code, requires Seller to deliver and Buyer to sign the statutory notice relating to the tax rate, bonded indebtedness, or standby fee of the district prior to final execution of this contract.

(4) TIDE WATERS: If the Property abuts the tidally influenced waters of the state, §33.135, Texas Natural Resources Code, requires a notice regarding coastal area property to be included in the contract. An addendum containing the notice promulgated by TREC or required by the parties must be used.

(5) ANNEXATION: If the Property is located outside the limits of a municipality, Seller notifies Buyer under §5.011, Texas Property Code, that the Property may now or later be included in the extraterritorial jurisdiction of a municipality and may now or later be subject to

annexation by the municipality. Each municipality maintains a map that depicts its boundaries and extraterritorial jurisdiction. To determine if the Property is located within a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction or is likely to be located within a municipality's extraterritorial jurisdiction, contact all municipalities located in the general proximity of the Property for further information.

- (6) **PROPERTY LOCATED IN A CERTIFICATED SERVICE AREA OF A UTILITY SERVICE PROVIDER:** Notice required by §13.257, Water Code: The real property, described in Paragraph 2, that you are about to purchase may be located in a certificated water or sewer service area, which is authorized by law to provide water or sewer service to the properties in the certificated area. If your property is located in a certificated area there may be special costs or charges that you will be required to pay before you can receive water or sewer service. There may be a period required to construct lines or other facilities necessary to provide water or sewer service to your property. You are advised to determine if the property is in a certificated area and contact the utility service provider to determine the cost that you will be required to pay and the period, if any, that is required to provide water or sewer service to your property. The undersigned Buyer hereby acknowledges receipt of the foregoing notice at or before the execution of a binding contract for the purchase of the real property described in Paragraph 2 or at closing of purchase of the real property.
- (7) **PUBLIC IMPROVEMENT DISTRICTS:** If the Property is in a public improvement district, §5.014, Property Code, requires Seller to notify Buyer as follows: As a purchaser of this parcel of real property you are obligated to pay an assessment to a municipality or county for an improvement project undertaken by a public improvement district under Chapter 372, Local Government Code. The assessment may be due annually or in periodic installments. More information concerning the amount of the assessment and the due dates of that assessment may be obtained from the municipality or county levying the assessment. The amount of the assessments is subject to change. Your failure to pay the assessments could result in a lien on and the foreclosure of your property.
- (8) **TEXAS AGRICULTURAL DEVELOPMENT DISTRICT:** The Property  is  is not located in a Texas Agricultural Development District. For additional information, contact the Texas Department of Agriculture.

**7. PROPERTY CONDITION:**

A. **ACCESS, INSPECTIONS AND UTILITIES:** Seller shall permit Buyer and Buyer's agents access to the Property at reasonable times. Buyer may have the Property inspected by inspectors selected by Buyer and licensed by TREC or otherwise permitted by law to make inspections. Seller at Seller's expense shall turn on existing utilities for inspections.

**NOTICE:** Buyer should determine the availability of utilities to the Property suitable to satisfy Buyer's needs.

B. **ACCEPTANCE OF PROPERTY CONDITION:** (Check one box only)

(1) Buyer accepts the Property in its present condition.

(2) Buyer accepts the Property in its present condition provided Seller, at Seller's expense, shall complete the following specific repairs and treatments: \_\_\_\_\_

C. **COMPLETION OF REPAIRS:** Unless otherwise agreed in writing, Seller shall complete all agreed repairs prior to the Closing Date. All required permits must be obtained, and repairs must be performed by persons who are licensed or otherwise permitted by law to provide such repairs. At Buyer's election, any transferable warranties received by Seller with respect to the repairs will be transferred to Buyer at Buyer's expense. If Seller fails to complete any agreed repairs prior to the Closing Date, Buyer may do so and receive reimbursement from Seller at closing. The Closing Date will be extended up to 15 days, if necessary, to complete repairs.

D. **ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS:** Buyer is advised that the presence of wetlands, toxic substances, including asbestos and wastes or other environmental hazards, or the presence of a threatened or endangered species or its habitat may affect Buyer's intended use of the Property. If Buyer is concerned about these matters, an addendum promulgated by TREC or required by the parties should be used.

E. **SELLER'S DISCLOSURES:** Except as otherwise disclosed in this contract, Seller has no knowledge of the following:

(1) any flooding of the Property;

(2) any pending or threatened litigation, condemnation, or special assessment affecting the Property;

(3) any environmental hazards or conditions affecting the Property;

(4) any dumpsite, landfill, or underground tanks or containers now or previously located on the Property;

(5) any wetlands, as defined by federal or state law or regulation, affecting the Property; or

(6) any threatened or endangered species or their habitat affecting the Property.

**8. BROKERS' FEES:** All obligations of the parties for payment of brokers' fees are contained in separate written agreements.

**9. CLOSING:**

- A. The closing of the sale will be on or before \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_, or within 7 days after objections made under Paragraph 6D have been cured or waived, whichever date is later (Closing Date). If either party fails to close the sale by the Closing Date, the non-defaulting party may exercise the remedies contained in Paragraph 15.
- B. At closing:
- (1) Seller shall execute and deliver a general warranty deed conveying title to the Property to Buyer and showing no additional exceptions to those permitted in Paragraph 6 and furnish tax statements or certificates showing no delinquent taxes on the Property.
  - (2) Buyer shall pay the Sales Price in good funds acceptable to the escrow agent.
  - (3) Seller and Buyer shall execute and deliver any notices, statements, certificates, affidavits, releases, loan documents and other documents required of them by this contract, the Commitment or law necessary for the closing of the sale and the issuance of the Title Policy.
  - (4) There will be no liens, assessments, or security interests against the Property which will not be satisfied out of the sales proceeds unless securing the payment of any loans assumed by Buyer and assumed loans will not be in default.

**10. POSSESSION:** Seller shall deliver to Buyer possession of the Property in its present or required condition upon closing and funding.

**11. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:** (Insert only factual statements and business details applicable to the sale. TREC rules prohibit licensees from adding factual statements or business details for which a contract addendum or other form has been promulgated by TREC for mandatory use.)

**Notwithstanding any other provisions of this purchase contract, this purchase contract is contingent upon the buyer's and seller's respective attorneys' review and approval of this purchase contract within 10 days of the effective contract date.**

**12. SETTLEMENT AND OTHER EXPENSES:**

- A. The following expenses must be paid at or prior to closing:
- (1) Expenses payable by Seller (Seller's Expenses):
    - (a) Releases of existing liens, including prepayment penalties and recording fees; release of Seller's loan liability; tax statements or certificates; preparation of deed; one-half of escrow fee; and other expenses payable by Seller under this contract.
    - (b) Seller shall also pay an amount not to exceed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ to be applied in the following order: Buyer's Expenses which Buyer is prohibited from paying by FHA, VA, Texas Veterans Land Board or other governmental loan programs, and then to other Buyer's Expenses as allowed by the lender.
  - (2) Expenses payable by Buyer (Buyer's Expenses):
    - (a) Loan origination, discount, buy-down, and commitment fees (Loan Fees).
    - (b) Appraisal fees; loan application fees; credit reports; preparation of loan documents; interest on the notes from date of disbursement to one month prior to dates of first monthly payments; recording fees; copies of easements and restrictions; mortgagee title policy with endorsements required by lender; loan-related inspection fees; photos; amortization schedules; one-half of escrow fee; all prepaid items, including required premiums for flood and hazard insurance, reserve deposits for insurance, ad valorem taxes and special governmental assessments; final compliance inspection; courier fee; repair inspection; underwriting fee; wire transfer fee; expenses incident to any loan; and other expenses payable by Buyer under this contract.
- B. Buyer shall pay Private Mortgage Insurance Premium (PMI), VA Loan Funding Fee, or FHA Mortgage Insurance Premium (MIP) as required by the lender.
- C. If any expense exceeds an amount expressly stated in this contract for such expense to be paid by a party, that party may terminate this contract unless the other party agrees to pay such excess. Buyer may not pay charges and fees expressly prohibited by FHA, VA, Texas Veterans Land Board or other governmental loan program regulations.

**13. PRORATIONS AND ROLLBACK TAXES:**

- A. PRORATIONS: Taxes for the current year, interest, maintenance fees, assessments, dues and rents will be prorated through the Closing Date. The tax proration may be calculated taking into consideration any change in exemptions that will affect the current year's taxes. If taxes for the current year vary from the amount prorated at closing, the parties shall adjust the prorations when tax statements for the current year are available. If taxes are not paid at or prior to closing, Buyer shall pay taxes for the current year.
- B. ROLLBACK TAXES: If this sale or Buyer's use of the Property after closing results in the assessment of additional taxes, penalties or interest (Assessments) for periods prior to closing, the Assessments will be the obligation of Buyer. If Seller's change in use of the Property prior to closing or denial of a special use valuation on the Property claimed by Seller results in Assessments for periods prior to closing, the Assessments will be the obligation of Seller. Obligations imposed by this paragraph will survive closing.

**14. CASUALTY LOSS:** If any part of the Property is damaged or destroyed by fire or other casualty after the effective date of this contract, Seller shall restore the Property to its previous condition as soon as reasonably possible, but in any event by the Closing Date. If Seller fails to do so due to factors beyond Seller's control, Buyer may (a) terminate this contract and the earnest money will be refunded to Buyer (b) extend the time for performance up to 15 days and the Closing Date will be extended as necessary or (c) accept the Property in its damaged condition with an assignment of insurance proceeds and receive credit from Seller at closing in the amount of the deductible under the insurance policy. Seller's obligations under this paragraph are independent of any other obligations of Seller under this contract.

**15. DEFAULT:** If Buyer fails to comply with this contract, Buyer will be in default, and Seller may (a) enforce specific performance, seek such other relief as may be provided by law, or both, or (b) terminate this contract and receive the earnest money as liquidated damages, thereby releasing both parties from this contract. If, due to factors beyond Seller's control, Seller fails within the time allowed to make any non-casualty repairs or deliver the Commitment, or survey, if required of Seller, Buyer may (a) extend the time for performance up to 15 days and the Closing Date will be extended as necessary or (b) terminate this contract as the sole remedy and receive the earnest money. If Seller fails to comply with this contract for any other reason, Seller will be in default and Buyer may (a) enforce specific performance, seek such other relief as may be provided by law, or both, or (b) terminate this contract and receive the earnest money, thereby releasing both parties from this contract.

**16. MEDIATION:** It is the policy of the State of Texas to encourage resolution of disputes through alternative dispute resolution procedures such as mediation. Any dispute between Seller and Buyer related to this contract which is not resolved through informal discussion  will  will not be submitted to a mutually acceptable mediation service or provider. The parties to the mediation shall bear the mediation costs equally. This paragraph does not preclude a party from seeking equitable relief from a court of competent jurisdiction.

**17. ATTORNEY'S FEES:** A Buyer, Seller, Listing Broker, Other Broker, or escrow agent who prevails in any legal proceeding related to this contract is entitled to recover reasonable attorney's fees and all costs of such proceeding.

**18. ESCROW:**

- A. ESCROW: The escrow agent is not (i) a party to this contract and does not have liability for the performance or nonperformance of any party to this contract, (ii) liable for interest on the earnest money and (iii) liable for the loss of any earnest money caused by the failure of any financial institution in which the earnest money has been deposited unless the financial institution is acting as escrow agent.
- B. EXPENSES: At closing, the earnest money must be applied first to any cash down payment, then to Buyer's Expenses and any excess refunded to Buyer. If no closing occurs, escrow agent may require payment of unpaid expenses incurred on behalf of the parties and a written release of liability of escrow agent from all parties.
- C. DEMAND: Upon termination of this contract, either party or the escrow agent may send a release of earnest money to each party and the parties shall execute counterparts of the release and deliver same to the escrow agent. If either party fails to execute the release, either party may make a written demand to the escrow agent for the earnest money. If only one party makes written demand for the earnest money, escrow agent shall promptly provide a copy of the demand to the other party. If escrow agent does not receive written objection to the demand from the other party within 15 days, escrow agent may disburse the earnest money to the party making demand reduced by the amount of unpaid expenses incurred on behalf of the party receiving the earnest money and escrow agent may pay the same to the creditors. If escrow agent complies with the provisions of this paragraph, each party hereby releases escrow agent from all adverse claims related to the disbursement of the earnest money.

- D. DAMAGES: Any party who wrongfully fails or refuses to sign a release acceptable to the escrow agent within 7 days of receipt of the request will be liable to the other party for liquidated damages in an amount equal to the sum of: (i) three times the amount of the earnest money; (ii) the earnest money; (iii) reasonable attorney's fees; and (iv) all costs of suit.
- E. NOTICES: Escrow agent's notices will be effective when sent in compliance with Paragraph 21. Notice of objection to the demand will be deemed effective upon receipt by escrow agent.

**19. REPRESENTATIONS:** All covenants, representations and warranties in this contract survive closing. If any representation of Seller in this contract is untrue on the Closing Date, Seller will be in default. Unless expressly prohibited by written agreement, Seller may continue to show the Property and receive, negotiate and accept back up offers.

**20. FEDERAL TAX REQUIREMENTS:** If Seller is a "foreign person," as defined by applicable law, or if Seller fails to deliver an affidavit to Buyer that Seller is not a "foreign person," then Buyer shall withhold from the sales proceeds an amount sufficient to comply with applicable tax law and deliver the same to the Internal Revenue Service together with appropriate tax forms. Internal Revenue Service regulations require filing written reports if currency in excess of specified amounts is received in the transaction.

**21. NOTICES:** All notices from one party to the other must be in writing and are effective when mailed to, hand-delivered at, or transmitted by facsimile or electronic transmission as follows:

**To Buyer at:**

**To Seller at:**

_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____
_____	_____

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**22. AGREEMENT OF PARTIES:** This contract contains the entire agreement of the parties and cannot be changed except by their written agreement. Addenda which are a part of this contract are (check all applicable boxes):

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Third Party Financing Condition Addendum  | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum for "Back-Up" Contract  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seller Financing Addendum   | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum for Coastal Area Property   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum for Property Subject to Mandatory Membership in a Property Owners' Association | <input type="checkbox"/> Environmental Assessment, Threatened or Endangered Species and Wetlands Addendum |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Buyer's Temporary Residential Lease   | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum for Property Located Seaward of the Gulf Intracoastal Waterway          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seller's Temporary Residential Lease  | <input type="checkbox"/> Addendum for Sale of Other Property by Buyer                                     |

Other (list): Broker Disclosure of Agency  
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**23. TERMINATION OPTION:** For nominal consideration, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged by Seller, and Buyer's agreement to pay Seller \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Option Fee) within 2 days after the effective date of this contract, Seller grants Buyer the unrestricted right to terminate this contract by giving notice of termination to Seller within \_\_\_\_\_ days after the effective date of this contract. If no dollar amount is stated as the Option Fee or if Buyer fails to pay the Option Fee to Seller within the time prescribed, this paragraph will not be a part of this contract and Buyer shall not have the unrestricted right to terminate this contract. If Buyer gives notice of termination within the time prescribed, the Option Fee will not be refunded; however, any earnest money will be refunded to Buyer. The Option Fee  will  will not be credited to the Sales Price at closing. **Time is of the essence for this paragraph and strict compliance with the time for performance is required.**

**24. CONSULT AN ATTORNEY:** Real estate licensees cannot give legal advice. READ THIS CONTRACT CAREFULLY. If you do not understand the effect of this contract, consult an attorney BEFORE signing.

Buyer's  
Attorney is: \_\_\_\_\_

Seller's  
Attorney is: Hugh Lindsay

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**EXECUTED the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, \_\_\_\_\_ (EFFECTIVE DATE).  
(BROKER: FILL IN THE DATE OF FINAL ACCEPTANCE.)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Seller  
Dan Ruch

\_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer

\_\_\_\_\_  
Seller

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**BROKER INFORMATION AND RATIFICATION OF FEE**

Listing Broker has agreed to pay Other Broker 3.000% of the total sales price when Listing Broker's fee is received. Escrow Agent is authorized and directed to pay Other Broker from Listing Broker's fee at closing.

Other Broker \_\_\_\_\_ License No. Coventry Glen Realty 0235051  
 Listing Broker \_\_\_\_\_ License No. \_\_\_\_\_  
 represents  Buyer only as Buyer's agent represents  Seller and Buyer as an intermediary  
 Seller as Listing Broker's subagent  Seller only as Seller's agent

Associate \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Listing Associate \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone (979) 777-0777  
Cheryl Cobb

Broker's Address \_\_\_\_\_ 414-B Tarrow St. Listing Associate's Office Address \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile (979) 846-1502

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ College Station TX 77840  
 City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Facsimile \_\_\_\_\_ cheryl.cobb@coventryglenrealty.net  
 Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_ Selling Associate \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Selling Associate's Office Address \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

**OPTION FEE RECEIPT**

Receipt of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (Option Fee) in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ is acknowledged.

Seller or Listing Broker \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**CONTRACT AND EARNEST MONEY RECEIPT**

Receipt of  Contract and  \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Earnest Money in the form of \_\_\_\_\_ is acknowledged.

Escrow Agent: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Facsimile: \_\_\_\_\_