UNITED STATES OF AMERICA BEFORE FEDERAL TRADE COMMISSION

COMMISSIONERS:

Deborah Platt Majoras, Chairman Pamela Jones Harbour Jon Leibowitz William E. Kovacic J. Thomas Rosch

In the Matter of

REALTORS ASSOCIATION OF NORTHEAST WISCONSIN, INC., **Docket No. C-**

a non-profit corporation.

COMPLAINT

Pursuant to the provisions of the Federal Trade Commission Act, and by virtue of the authority vested in it by said Act, the Federal Trade Commission, having reason to believe that the Realtors Association of Northeast Wisconsin, Inc. ("Respondent" or "RANW"), a corporation, has violated Section 5 of the Federal Trade Commission Act, 15 U.S.C. § 45, and it appearing to the Commission that a proceeding by it in respect thereof would be in the public TCOMPLAINT C

RANW CONDUCT

10. In 2001, RANW adopted and approved a rule that stated: "All active listings of all

THE WEB SITE POLICY OFFERS NO EFFICIENCY BENEFIT

26. There is no cognizable and plausible efficiency justification for the Web Site Policy. The Web Site Policy is not reasonably ancillary to the legitimate and beneficial objectives of the MLS.

VIOLATION

27. In adopting the policies and engaging in the Acts and Practices described herein, RANW has acted as a combination of its members to restrain trade in the provision of residential real estate brokerage services within the Northeast Wisconsin Area.

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