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ATTORNEY GENERAL OPINION
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Christine McEntire, Director
Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board
3625 NW 56th St., Ste. 100
Oklahoma City, OK 73112

March 5, 2018

Dear Director McEntire:

This office has received your request for a written Attorney General Opinion regarding action that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board intends to take with respect to licensee 13038CRA. The licensee previously entered into an agreed consent order with the Board. The licensee has failed to complete all requirements of the order. The Board proposes to require completion of the entire core curriculum for the Certified Residential Appraiser licensure level, with the exception of the 15-hour Uniform Standards of Professional Appraisal Practice ("USPAP") course which was recently completed by the licensee. Additionally, the licensee must take and pass the Certified Residential Appraiser exam within 18 months.

The Oklahoma Certified Real Estate Appraisers Act authorizes the Board "[t]o censure, suspend and revoke certificates pursuant to the disciplinary proceedings provided in [the Act,]" *see* 59 O.S.Supp.2017, § 858-706(7), and to require payment of fines and costs and the completion of educational programs. *Id.* § 858-723(A)(7)-(9). The Board may discipline licensees who "[v]iolat[e] any of the provisions in the code of ethics set forth in [the] Act." *Id.* § 858-723(C)(13). The Act requires adherence to the USPAP, which contains professional requirements pertaining to ethics, competency, and scope of work. 59 O.S.2011, § 858-726. The Board may reasonably believe that the proposed action is necessary to prevent future violations.

It is, therefore, the official opinion of the Attorney General that the Oklahoma Real Estate Appraiser Board has adequate support for the conclusion that this action advances the State's policy to uphold standards of competency and professionalism among real estate appraisers.

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MIKE HUNTER
ATTORNEY GENERAL OF OKLAHOMA

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