# WARREN COUNTY MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE, INC. Page 1 of 5 RESIDENTIAL REAL ESTATE CONTRACT

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# THIS IS A LEGALLY BINDING CONTRACT.

# WE RECOMMEND ALL PARTIES TO THE CONTRACT CONSULT AN ATTORNEY.

D	ated:		
ller:B	uyer:		
PROPERTY TO BE SOLD Seller agrees to sell and Buyer agrees to purchase the property know located in the City, Village in County, State of New York. The easements, if any, related to the property. The lot size is approxima and is described more fully in Seller's deed, annexed or a copy will Tax Map Number(s):	e or Town of e property includes all of Seller's transferable rights, privileges ar ately be provided and incorporated herein.		
ITEMS INCLUDED IN SALE			
<ul> <li>The following, if located on the property, are included in the sale:</li> <li>a. All buildings and improvements.</li> <li>b. Lighting, heating, plumbing fixtures and sump pumps.</li> <li>c. Window shades, venetian blinds, traverse rods, curtain rods</li> <li>d. Propane tanks (if owned by Seller).</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>e. All wall-to-wall carpeting.</li> <li>f. Storm and screen doors and windows.</li> <li>g. Water softeners (if owned by Seller).</li> <li>h. Other items not listed above which are included in the sale are listed here:</li> </ul>		
ITEMS EXCLUDED FROM SALE The following items are excluded from the sale			
PURCHASE PRICE The purchase price is	dollars (\$		
METHOD OF PAYMENT         Buyer shall pay the purchase price as follows:         a. \$			
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% of the purchase price, at the prevailing rate of interest. Bu after Seller has accepted this contract. Buyer agrees to apply for su mortgage loan. If Buyer does not obtain loan approval by may terminate this contract by written notice pursuant to Paragraph	yer agrees to apply for the mortgage loan within 6 business days uch a mortgage loan and to put forth all best efforts to obtain the		

Buyer's Initials Seller's Initials

## 7. MORTGAGE EXPENSES

The mortgage recording tax, imposed on the mortgagor, recording fee, expenses of drawing papers and any other expenses to be incurred in connection with procuring or assuming a mortgage shall be paid by Buyer.

# 8. CONDITION OF PREMISES

- a. The buildings on the premises are sold "as is" without warranty as to condition and Buyer agrees to take title to the buildings "as is" and in their present condition subject to reasonable use, wear, tear and natural deterioration between the date hereof and the closing of title except that in the case of any destruction within the meaning of the provisions of Section 5-1311 of The General Obligations Law of the State of New York entitled "Uniform Vendor and Buyer Risk Act," said section shall apply to this contract.
- b. Property Condition Disclosure Statement:

ONot provided, Seller agrees to credit Buyer \$500.00 at closing.

ONot applicable to this transaction.

OYes, Buyer acknowledges receipt.

#### 9. INSPECTIONS

This Agreement is contingent upon all of the following provisions marked with the parties' initials. All those provisions marked with "N/A" shall not apply.

#### Buyer Seller Initial

**STRUCTURAL INSPECTION:** A determination, by a New York State licensed home inspector (if the inspection is conducted for compensation the qualified consultant must be a licensed New York State Home Inspector or exempt architect/ engineer per NYS RPL §444-d), registered architect or licensed engineer, or a third party who is \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ or other qualified person, that the premises are free from any substantial structural, mechanical, electrical, plumbing, roof covering, water or sewer defects. The term "substantial" means any individual repair which will reasonably cost over \$1,500.00 to correct.

The following buildings or items on the premises are excluded from this inspection:\_

**\_WOOD DESTROYING ORGANISMS (Pest, Termite Inspection):** A determination by a Certified Exterminator or other qualified professional that the premises are free from infestation or damage by wood destroying organisms.

- **SEPTIC SYSTEM INSPECTION:** A test of the septic system by a licensed professional engineer, licensed plumber, septic system contractor, County Health Department, or other qualified person indicating that the system is in working order. There shall be no disturbance of the ground without the Seller's written consent, and any such disturbance must be repaired by Buyer at Buyer's expense.
  - \_WELL WATER FLOW AND/OR QUALITY TESTS: (1) A potability water quality test to meet the standards of the New York State Department of Health to be performed by a New York State approved laboratory, (2) any chemical, metal, inorganic, or other tests as the Buyer may request, and (3) a flow test to be performed indicating a minimum flow of sufficient quantity to: (a) Obtain mortgage financing on subject property; and/or

(b) \_\_produce\_\_\_\_gallons per minute for \_\_\_\_\_hours.

**\_\_\_\_RADON INSPECTION:** The Buyer may have the dwelling located on the property tested by a reputable service for the presence of radon gas. The Seller agrees to maintain a "closed-house condition" during the test. "Closed-house condition" shall mean that the Seller shall keep the windows closed and minimize the number of times the exterior doors are opened and the time that they are left open. The Seller agrees to comply with all reasonable requirements of the testing service in connection with the test, provided such compliance shall be at no cost to Seller. If the test reveals that the level of radon gas is four (4) picocuries per liter or higher, the presence of radon gas shall be deemed grounds for the cancellation of the contract.

All tests and/or inspections contemplated pursuant to this Paragraph 9 shall be completed on or before\_

and at Buyer's expense, and shall be deemed waived unless Buyer provides written notice of the failure of any of these tests and/or inspections, which notice is to be sent in accordance with Paragraph 24 of this Agreement, no later than\_\_\_\_\_\_

If Buyer so notifies, and further supplies written confirmation by a copy of the test results and/or inspection report(s), or letter(s) from the inpector, then this entire Agreement shall be deemed canceled, null and void and all deposits made hereunder shall be returned to Buyer or, at Buyer's option, said cancellation may be deferred for a period of ten (10) days in order to provide the parties an opportunity to otherwise agree in writing.

# 10. ATTORNEY REVIEW

If Buyer or Seller elects to consult an attorney, this contract shall be subject to such attorney's review of all its terms and conditions within \_\_\_\_\_\_ (minimum of 3) business days (exclusive of Saturdays, Sundays and legal holidays) from the date of the delivery of the signed contract to Buyer and Seller. If neither Buyer nor Seller exercises the right to have an attorney review this contract within the time permitted, this contract will be legally binding as written. If the attorney for Buyer or Seller disapproves of this contract, the attorney must notify either the broker(s) or the other party's attorney as per Paragraph 24 and within the time frame permitted above, or this contract will be legally binding as written. The parties, or their attorneys, may agree in writing to extend the time for attorney review. Broker(s) should be immediately informed of any contract revisions made by the attorney(s).

# 11. TITLE PAPERS

Seller shall furnish a proposed deed, TP-584, IT-2663 (if required), RP-5217 and copies of tax receipts for the past years to Buyer or Buyer's attorney at least 14 days before closing. O Seller O Buyer shall furnish at their expense the following at least 14 days before closing:

- **a.** 5 year tax search
- **b.** Abstract of Title covering at least 40 years and continued to within 30 days of closing or, if no abstract exists and Seller has a current "owner's" fee title insurance policy, Seller will provide a copy of said policy along with a "stub search" continuation (including complete copies of any exceptions, easements, covenants, restrictions and reservations set forth in such title insurance policy) to update the title to within 30 days of closing.
- **c.** If Seller has a survey of the property, it shall be provided to Buyer, and Buyer shall pay the cost of updating any such survey if required or desired.

# 12. SELLER'S TITLE

- Seller will transfer to Buyer all rights, title and interest in the property free of all encumbrances and exceptions except:
  - **a.** Laws and governmental regulations, including, but not limited to, zoning and environmental protection laws provided they are not violated by the buildings and improvements erected on the property,
  - **b.** Normal utility distribution easements,
  - **c.** If the property is a subdivision lot, restrictions imposed on all lots in the subdivision, provided they are not violated by the buildings or improvements erected on the property,
  - d. Such taxes and assessments for the current year as are not due and payable on the date of closing,
  - e. Any state of facts an accurate survey or inspection of the property would disclose provided they do not render the title unmarketable; and
  - f. Any other easements, restrictions or other matters set forth in an attached addendum; provided that any of the above do not prevent the use of the property for the purpose of Osingle family Omultifamily Ocommercial Omulti-use or

# **13. TITLE OBJECTIONS**

If Buyer correctly rejects Seller's title to the property as unmarketable, Seller shall have a reasonable length of time to cure the objection. If Seller is unable to cure the objection, Seller's sole responsibility shall be to return all deposits to Buyer without interest, and upon such payment this contract shall be terminated and Seller shall be discharged of all liability to Buyer.

# 14. DEED

The property shall be transferred from Seller to Buyer by means of a Warranty Deed with Lien Covenant furnished by Seller. The deed will be properly prepared and signed so that it will be accepted for recording by the County Clerk in the County in which the property is located. However, if Seller is transferring the property as an executor, administrator, trustee, guardian or other fiduciary, the deed usual to such cases shall be acceptable.

# **15. NEW YORK STATE TRANSFER TAX AND ADDITIONAL TAX**

Seller shall pay the New York State Real Property Transfer Tax imposed by Tax Law 1402 and, if applicable, Buyer shall pay the Additional Tax (aka "Mansion Tax" or "Luxury Tax") imposed by Tax Law 1402-a and calculated on the TP-584 with allowance for any applicable tax credits.

# 16. TAX AND OTHER ADJUSTMENTS

The following, if any, shall be divided between Buyer and Seller as of the date of possession so Buyer and Seller are assuming the expenses of property and the income from the property as of the date of possession:

- a. Rents, as set forth in the schedule attached to this contract,
- **b.** Taxes, sewer and water rents,
- c. Municipal assessment installments, Homeowner's Association Fees/Dues, and
- d. Fuel, based upon cost at last delivery as confirmed by copy of receipt provided by Seller at closing.

## 17. PRE-CLOSING INSPECTION

Buyer has the right to inspect the property at a reasonable hour within 48 hours of the transfer of title to ascertain there has been no material change in the condition of the property from the time of contract. Seller shall leave the premises in broom clean condition.

#### 18. DATE AND PLACE OF TRANSFER OF TITLE

The transfer of title to the property from Seller to Buyer will take place within 30 miles of the Warren County Clerk's Office at the location designated by the lender if Buyer obtains a mortgage loan from a lending institution; otherwise, the closing will be at the office of the attorney for Seller. The closing will be on or about \_\_\_\_\_\_ 20\_\_\_\_.

#### 19. POSSESSION

Buyer shall be granted possession of the property at closing, including keys and, if applicable, garage door openers.

#### 20. DEPOSITS

(Name and address of financial institution)

Buyer shall receive a refund of all deposits made by Buyer if:

- a. Buyer is unable to obtain mortgage approval as set forth in Paragraph 6, or
- **b.** Seller is unable to deliver a marketable title, or
- c. This contract is terminated pursuant to any other provision of the contract (except Paragraph 21).

## 21. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES

If Buyer defaults in the performance of any term of this contract, Seller shall have the option to withdraw Buyer's deposit from escrow and retain it as liquidated damages and not by way of penalty. If Seller elects to retain the deposit pursuant to this Paragraph, then this contract shall be terminated and neither party shall have any further claim against the other. In the event of any dispute concerning the deposit, all parties consent to the jurisdiction of Glens Falls City Court for proceedings to resolve such dispute.

# 22. REAL ESTATE BROKER

Buyer and Seller agree that\_\_\_

and\_\_\_\_\_

brought about the sale, and Seller agrees to pay the commission at closing to\_\_\_\_\_\_

\_as agreed in the listing agreement or as instructed by Listing Broker.

#### 23. PERIOD OF OFFER

Buyer and Seller understand and agree that, unless earlier withdrawn, this offer is good until  $\_$   $\bigcirc$  am  $\bigcirc$  pm 20 and if not accepted by Seller prior to that time, then this offer becomes null and void.

#### 24. NOTICES

All notices contemplated by this Agreement shall be in writing, delivered by (a) certified mail, postmarked no later than the required date; (b) by fax transmitted by such date; or (c) by personal delivery by such date. Such notice shall be effective on the date it is sent. Any notices shall be sent to the other party's attorney if known, if not, then to the Real Estate Broker named above; if not, then to the other party by serving the first named Buyer or Seller, as the case my be, at the address set forth for such party.

#### **25. ENTIRE AGREEMENT**

It is understood and agreed that all prior understandings and agreements between Seller and Buyer are merged into this contract. This contract may only be modified by a written instrument signed by both parties.

#### 26. BINDING CONTRACT

Buyer and Seller agree that they, their heirs, legal representatives, successors and/or assigns will be bound under this contract. This contract cannot be assigned without the written consent of Seller.

27.	ADDENDA ATTACHED Agency Disclosure (1) Property Disclosure Statement (2) Lead Paint (3) 48 Hour Contingency (4)	<ul> <li>FHA/VA (5)</li> <li>Seller's Contribution Concession (6)</li> <li>Mortgage Assumption (7)</li> <li>Rent &amp; Security Deposit Schedule (8)</li> </ul>	
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