

WHEREAS, the Respondent admits the Securities Commissioner (the “Commissioner”) has jurisdiction in this matter; and

WHEREAS, the Commissioner finds the investor protections and remedies in this Consent Order both appropriate and in the public interest for the protection of the investors and the capital markets of the State of South Carolina;

NOW, THEREFORE, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, and the Respondent expressly consents and agrees, that the Respondent is **PERMANENTLY BARRED** from participating in any aspect of the securities industry in the State of South Carolina.

Upon execution by the Commissioner, this Order resolves Administrative Proceeding 20182898 as it relates to the Respondent.

The parties to this Order agree the Order does not and should not be interpreted to waive any (i) criminal cause of action, (ii) private cause of action that may have accrued to any investor or investors, or (iii) other cause of action which may result from any activity of the Respondent not detailed above or which may hereafter arise.

IT IS SO ORDERED this 12 day of September, 2018.

By: Alan Wilson
Alan Wilson
Securities Commissioner
State of South Carolina

RESPONDENT MICHAEL LESSARD:

By: Michael Lessard
Michael Lessard

Date: 08/31/2018

APPROVED AS TO FORM

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