UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Release No. 73130 / September 17, 2014

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 Release No. 3922 / September 17, 2014

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-16133

In the Matter of

ANTHONY LEON SEMADENI,

Respondent.

ORDER INSTITUTING
ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS
PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(b) OF THE
SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
AND SECTION 203(f) OF THE
INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940,
MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING
REMEDIAL SANCTIONS

I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public administrative proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act") against Anthony Leon Semadeni ("Semadeni" or "Respondent").

II.

In anticipation of the institution of these proceedings, Respondent has submitted an Offer of Settlement (the "Offer") which the Commission has determined to accept. Solely for the purpose of these proceedings and any other proceedings brought by or on behalf of the Commission, or to which the Commission is a party, Respondent admits the Commission's jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of these proceedings and the findings contained in Section III.2 below, and consents to the entry of this Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings Pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions ("Order"), as set forth below.

III.

On the basis of this Order and Respondent's Offer, the Commission finds that

- 1. From April 2002 to March 2010, Semadeni was associated with a broker-dealer registered with the Commission. From January 2009 to March 2010, Semadeni was associated with an investment adviser registered with the Commission. Semadeni, age 43, is a resident of Colorado Springs, Colorado.
- 2. On April 10, 2012, Semadeni pled guilty to one count of attempted theft in violation of Colo. Rev. Stat. §§ 18-4-401(1) and (2)(c) and 18-2-101, a class five felony, before the District Court, El Paso County, Colorado, in People v. Anthony Leon Semadeni, Case No. 2011CR001905. On June 19, 2012, a judgment in the criminal case was entered against Semadeni. Semadeni was sentenced to three years of probation and ordered to pay restitution in the amount of \$46,000.42.
- 3. The attempted theft count to which Semadeni pled guilty alleged that between March 2009 and March 2011, by engaging in conduct constituting a substantial step toward the commission of theft, Semadeni unlawfully, feloniously, and knowingly attempted to obtain or exercise control over a thing of value, namely: money from individuals, with the value of one thousand dollars or more but less than twenty thousand dollars, without authorization, or by threat or deception, and intended to deprive those individuals permanently of its use or benefit.

IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent Semadeni's Offer.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act and Section 203(f) of the Advisers Act that Respondent Semadeni be, and hereby is barred from association with any investment adviser, broker, dealer, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization; and

Pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act that Respondent Semadeni be, and hereby is barred from participating in any offering of a penny stock, including: acting as a promoter, finder, consultant, agent or other person who engages in activities with a broker, dealer or issuer for purposes of the issuance or trading in any penny stock, or inducing or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of any penny stock.

Any reapplication for association by the Respondent will be subject to the applicable laws and regulations governing the reentry process, and reentry may be conditioned upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the satisfaction of any or all of the following: (a) any disgorgement ordered against the Respondent, whether or not the Commission has fully or partially waived payment of such disgorgement; (b) any arbitration award related to the conduct that served

as the basis for the Commission order; (c) any self-regulatory organization arbitration award to a customer, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; and (d) any restitution order by a self-regulatory organization, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order.

By the Commission.

Jill M. Peterson Assistant Secretary