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ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS

DATE SET FOR SANCTIONS IMPOSED ON C.E. CARLSON, INC.
AND CHARLES E. CARLSON

In September 1986, the Commission imposed sanctions on C. E. Carlson, Inc., a Golden, Colorado brokerage firm, and Charles E. Carlson, the firm's president. The firm's broker-dealer registration was suspended for two months, and Carlson was suspended from association with any broker or dealer for eight months. In addition, both the firm and Carlson were prohibited from participating in any securities offering for one year.

The sanctions were based on findings that, in May 1982, respondents fraudulently closed a public offering of common stock of Saratoga Mines, Inc. by arranging for insiders to purchase enough stock to reach the 20,000,000-share minimum. The insiders used borrowed funds that were subsequently repaid from the proceeds of the offering.

Respondents' sanctions were stayed pending appeal. The Court of Appeals for the Tenth Circuit has now affirmed the Commission's decision, and recently denied respondents' petition for rehearing. The Commission accordingly made the sanctions effective as of December 27. (Rel. 34-26371)

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT RELEASES

WESTERN RESERVE LIFE ASSURANCE CO. OF OHIO

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until January 17, 1989 to request a hearing on an application filed by Western Reserve Life Assurance Co. of Ohio, WRL Series Annuity Account (Series Account), and Pioneer Western Distributors, Inc. for an order granting exemptions from the provisions of Sections 26(a)(2)(C) and 27(c)(2) of the Investment Company Act to permit the deduction of a mortality and expense risk charge from the assets of the Series Account. (Rel. IC-16705 - Dec. 21)

CHEMICAL MORTGAGE ACCEPTANCE CORPORATION

An order has been issued exempting Chemical Mortgage Acceptance Corporation from all provisions of the Investment Company Act. (Rel. IC-16706 - Dec. 21)

THE PIEDMONT INCOME FUND, INC.

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until January 17, 1989 to request a hearing on an application filed by The Piedmont Income Fund, Inc. for an order declaring that it has ceased to be an investment company. (Rel. IC-16707 - Dec. 21)

RICHARD ALAN DANIELS

A notice has been issued giving interested persons until January 20, 1989 to request a hearing on an application filed by Richard Alan Daniels for an order granting a limited exemption from the provisions of Section 9(a) of the Investment Company Act, applicable to him by virtue of an injunction entered against him in SEC v. Price, Allen & Stevens, Incorporated, and a criminal conviction in U.S. v. Daniels. (Rel. IC-16708 - Dec. 22)

