

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF SOUTH CAROLINA COLUMBIA DIVISION

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

Civil Action No. 3:03-2843-24

MOHAMAD WAEL IBRAHIM ELZEIN, individually, and d/b/a FOCUS MENTORS ELZEIN MANAGEMENT; HUSSEIN HASSAN EL ZEIN; and DARIN RAYMOND KNEE,

Defendants.

ORDER OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION AND OTHER RELIEF AGAINST HUSSEIN HASSAN EL ZEIN

Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission"), having filed its Complaint herein, and defendant Hussein Hassan El Zein ("H. El Zein"), having entered a general appearance, having admitted the <u>in personam</u> jurisdiction of this Court over him and the jurisdiction of this Court over the subject matter of the action, having waived entry of findings of fact and conclusions of law under Rules 52 and 65 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, without admitting or denying the allegations of the Commission's Complaint, except as to jurisdiction and venue which he admits, and having consented to the entry of this Order of Permanent Injunction and Other Relief and the Court being fully advised in the premises;

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I.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that defendant H.

El Zein and his agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with him who receive actual notice of this Order of Permanent Injunction, by personal service or otherwise, and each of them, be and hereby are permanently enjoined and restrained from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act") [15 U.S.C. 77q(a)], by the use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by the use of the mails, by:

- 1. employing any device, scheme or artifice to defraud;
- 2. obtaining money or property by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- engaging in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser,

in the offer or sale of any security.

II.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that defendant H. El Zein, and his agents, servants, employees and attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with him who receive actual notice of this Order of Permanent Injunction, by personal service or otherwise, and each of them, be and hereby are permanently enjoined and restrained from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 10(b)

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of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") [15 U.S.C. 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 thereunder [17 C.F.R. 240.10b-5], by the use of any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce or of the mails or of any facility of any national securities exchange, by:

- 1. employing any device, scheme or artifice to defraud;
- 2. making any untrue statement of a material fact or omitting to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- 3. engaging in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person,

in connection with the purchase or sale of any security.

III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, that defendant H. El Zein and his agents, servants, employees, attorneys and those persons in active concert or participation with him, who receive actual notice of the order of injunction, by personal service, facsimile or otherwise, and each of them, by use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, are permanently restrained from directly or indirectly:

- (a) making use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or of the mails to sell securities, in the form or common stock or any other security, through the use or medium of any prospectus or otherwise, unless and until a registration statement is in effect with the Commission as to such securities;
- (b) carrying securities, or causing them to be carried through the mails or in interstate commerce, by any means or instruments of transportation, for the purpose of

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sale or delivery after sale, unless and until a registration statement is in effect with the Commission as to such securities;

(c) making use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or of the mails to offer to sell or offer to buy, through the use or medium of any prospectus or otherwise, any interest in securities, in the form of common stock or any other security; unless a registration statement is filed with the Commission as to such securities, or while a statement is filed with the Commission as to such security is the subject of a refusal order or stop order or (prior to the effective date of the registration statement) any public

in violation of section 5 of the Securities Act. [15 U.S.C. 77e].

IV.

proceeding or examination under section 8 of the Securities Act. [15 U.S.C. 77h];

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that defendant H. El Zein shall pay disgorgement and pre-judgment interest in an amount to be resolved upon motion of the Commission at a later date. For purposes of disgorgement and pre-judgment interest, the allegations of the Commission's complaint shall be deemed to be true, and H. El Zein may not, by way of defense, contend that disgorgement and pre-judgment interest should not be imposed. In the event that H. El Zein, pursuant to sworn financial statements, is incapable of payment, disgorgement and pre-judgment interest may be waived or partially waived by the Commission, in its discretion.

V.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that defendant

H. El Zein shall pay a civil penalty in an amount to be resolved upon motion of the

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Commission at a later date. For purposes of the civil penalty, the allegations of the Commission's complaint shall be deemed to be true, and H. El Zein may not by way of defense contend that a civil penalty should not be imposed. In the event that H. El Zein, pursuant to sworn financial statements, is incapable of payment, the Commission, in its discretion, may seek not to impose a civil penalty.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED AND DECREED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction over this matter for all purposes, including implementing and enforcing the terms of this Order, and may order other and further relief that this Court deems appropriate under the circumstances.

so ordered, this 19 day of February 2004.

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MARGARET SEYMOUR, JUDGE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT