## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Release No. 83552 / June 28, 2018

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 Release No. 4949 / June 28, 2018

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-18557

In the Matter of

JON B. SCHMIDHAMMER,

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 Jon Brett Schmidhammer ("Schmidhammer" 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 paragraphs 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. Schmidhammer was a registered representative and an investment adviser representative associated with an SEC-registered broker-dealer and investment adviser from May 2009 through July 2016. Schmidhammer, 64 years old, is a resident of Dublin, Ohio.
- 2. On March 14, 2017, in the criminal division of the Court of Common Pleas for Franklin County, Ohio, Schmidhammer pled guilty to one count of unlawful securities practices, a second degree felony. *State of Ohio v. Jon B. Schmidhammer*, Case No. 16-CR-004165. On May 4, 2017, the court entered judgment against Schmidhammer and sentenced him to five years of "Community Control Under Basic Supervision," pursuant to which he was ordered to serve thirty consecutive weekends at the county jail and a term of post-release supervision. The court also ordered Schmidhammer to pay \$196,387.25 in restitution.
- 3. The count of the indictment to which Schmidhammer pled guilty alleged that Schmidhammer violated Section 1707.44 of the Ohio Revised Code by engaging, as an investment adviser representative, in a course of business that operated as a fraud upon a person.

## IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent Schmidhammer'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 Schmidhammer be, and hereby is barred from association with any broker, dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization; and

Pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act, Respondent Schmidhammer 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.

Brent J. Fields Secretary