## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF MINNESOTA

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SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

v.

Plaintiff, : CASE NO. 0:10-cv-04937-JNE-FLN

AMIT V. PATEL,

Defendant. :

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## FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT AMIT V. PATEL

The Securities and Exchange Commission having filed a Complaint and Defendant Amit V. Patel having entered a general appearance; consented to the Court's jurisdiction over Defendant and the subject matter of this action; consented to entry of this Final Judgment without admitting or denying the allegations of the Complaint (except as to jurisdiction); waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment:

I.

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant, his agents, affiliates, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") [15]

U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 promulgated thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5], by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange, in connection with the purchase or sale of any security:

- (a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;
- (b) to make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit 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
- (c) to engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person.

II.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant, his agents, affiliates, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise are permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 ("Securities Act") [15 U.S.C. § 77q(a)] in the offer or sale of any security by the use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by use of the mails, directly or indirectly:

(a) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud;

- (b) to obtain money or property by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or
- (c) to engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser.

III.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant, his agents, affiliates, servants, employees, attorneys, and all persons in active concert or participation with them who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment, by personal service or otherwise, and each of them, be and are hereby permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Sections 206(1) and (2) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 [15 U.S.C. §§ 80b-6(1) and 80b-6(2)], while acting as investment advisers, by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange:

- (a) to employ devices, schemes or artifices to defraud clients or prospective clients; or
- (b) to engage in transactions, practices and courses of business which have operated as a fraud or deceit upon its clients or prospective clients.

IV.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant, his agents, affiliates, servants, employees, attorneys, and those persons in active concert or participation with him who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment, by personal service or otherwise, and each of them, be and are hereby permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly, Section 206(4) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 [15 U.S.C. § 80b-6(4)] and Rule 206(4)-8 promulgated thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 275.206(4)-8], while acting as investment advisers to a pooled investment vehicle, by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange:

- (a) to engage in acts, practices or courses of business which are fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative; or
- (b) to make untrue statements of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, to any investor or prospective in the pooled investment vehicle, or otherwise engaging in acts, practices or courses of business that were fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative with respect to any investor or prospective investor in the pooled investment vehicle.

V.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is liable for disgorgement of \$234,763.75, representing ill-gotten gains from the conduct alleged in the Complaint, together with prejudgment interest thereon in the amount of \$29,745.68, for a total of \$264,509.43. Based on Defendant's sworn representations in his Statement of Financial Condition dated April 28, 2011, and other documents and information submitted to the Commission, the Court is not ordering Defendant to pay a civil penalty. Defendant shall satisfy part of this obligation by paying \$110,000 within 14 days after entry of this Final Judgment to the Clerk of this Court, together with a cover letter identifying Amit V. Patel as a defendant in this action; setting forth the title and civil action number of this action and the name of this Court; and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment. Defendant shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of such payment and letter to the Commission's counsel in this action. By making this payment, Defendant relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such funds, and no part of the funds shall be returned to Defendant. The Clerk shall deposit the funds into an interest bearing account with the Court Registry Investment System ("CRIS") or any other type of interest bearing account that is utilized by the Court. These funds, together with any interest and income earned thereon (collectively, the "Fund"), shall be held in the interest bearing account until further order of the Court. Defendant shall also pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961.

The determination not to impose a civil penalty and to waive payment of all but \$110,000 of the disgorgement and pre-judgment interest is contingent upon the accuracy and completeness of Defendant's Statement of Financial Condition. If at any time following the entry of this Final Judgment the Commission obtains information indicating that Defendant's representations to the Commission concerning his assets, income, liabilities, or net worth were fraudulent, misleading, inaccurate, or incomplete in any material respect as of the time such representations were made, the Commission may, at its sole discretion and without prior notice to Defendant, petition the Court for an order requiring Defendant to pay the unpaid portion of the disgorgement, pre-judgment and post-judgment interest thereon, and the maximum civil penalty allowable under the law. In connection with any such petition, the only issue shall be whether the financial information provided by Defendant was fraudulent, misleading, inaccurate, or incomplete in any material respect as of the time such representations were made. In its petition, the Commission may move this Court to consider all available remedies, including, but not limited to, ordering Defendant to pay funds or assets, directing the forfeiture of any assets, or sanctions for contempt of this Final Judgment. The Commission may also request additional discovery. Defendant may not, by way of defense to such petition: (1) challenge the validity of the Consent or this Final Judgment; (2) contest the allegations in the Complaint filed by the Commission; (3) assert that payment of disgorgement, pre-judgment and post-judgment interest or a civil penalty should not be ordered; (4) contest the amount of disgorgement and pre-judgment and post-judgment

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interest; (5) contest the imposition of the maximum civil penalty allowable under the law;

or (6) assert any defense to liability or remedy, including, but not limited to, any statute of

limitations defense.

VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that the Consent is

incorporated herein with the same force and effect as if fully set forth herein, and that

Defendant shall comply with all of the undertakings and agreements set forth therein.

VII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this Court shall

retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final

Judgment.

Dated: September 16, 2011

s/ Joan N. Ericksen

JOAN N. ERICKSEN

United States District Judge

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