

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
Before the  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION  
Washington, D.C. 20549

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS

Release No. 3773/April 8, 2016

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING

File No. 3-15936

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In the Matter of

CHRISTOPHER A.T. PEDRAS (a/k/a CHRIS PEDRAS :  
a/k/a ANTONE THOMAS PEDRAS) : POSTPONEMENT ORDER

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The Securities and Exchange Commission instituted this proceeding with an Order Instituting Proceedings (OIP) on June 18, 2014. The proceeding is a follow-on proceeding based on *SEC v. Pedras*, No. 13-cv-7932 (C.D. Cal. June 9, 2014), in which Respondent Christopher A.T. Pedras (a/k/a Chris Pedras a/k/a Antone Thomas Pedras), was enjoined, by default, against violations of the antifraud and registration provisions of the federal securities laws. Pedras, who is in Tonga, has not been served with the OIP.<sup>1</sup> The Division of Enforcement was ordered to report on its efforts to serve Pedras every sixty days, and a telephonic prehearing conference was scheduled for April 15, 2016. *Christopher A.T. Pedras (a/k/a Chris Pedras a/k/a Antone Thomas Pedras)*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 3214, 2015 SEC LEXIS 4160 (Oct. 9, 2015).

In its April 7, 2016, report, the Division advised that a request to extradite Pedras from Tonga was made, and an extradition hearing took place in Tonga on or about March 29, 2016. No ruling has been issued yet. The Division notes that, even if Pedras is ordered extradited to the United States, extradition may not take place immediately because he may have appeal rights. Accordingly, to allow time for service of the OIP and Pedras's Answer, consistent with 17 C.F.R. § 201.161, the telephonic prehearing conference scheduled for April 15, 2016, will be postponed and held on October 14, 2016, at 10:30 a.m. EDT, if the proceeding has not been resolved by then. If Pedras has still not been served by that date, the Division may wish to file a motion to discontinue the proceeding. *See* 17 C.F.R. § 200.30-10(a)(8).

IT IS SO ORDERED.

/S/ Carol Fox Foelak  
Carol Fox Foelak  
Administrative Law Judge

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<sup>1</sup> The Division's attempt to serve Pedras by email did not comply with 17 C.F.R. § 201.141(a)(2)(iv) in light of Tonga law. *See Christopher A.T. Pedras (a/k/a Chris Pedras a/k/a Antone Thomas Pedras)*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 2129, 2014 SEC LEXIS 4811 (Dec. 12, 2014).