

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

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS  
Release No. 4235/October 7, 2016

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING  
File No. 3-15936

In the Matter of

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

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. He has also been indicted on eleven counts of wire fraud. *United States v. Pedras*, No. 8:13-cr-219 (C.D. Cal. Aug. 6, 2014), ECF No. 11. Pedras, who was recently extradited from Tonga to face the criminal charges, was served with the OIP on September 30, 2016, by personal service. His Answer to the OIP is due by October 20, 2016. *See* OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. § 201.220(b). The Division of Enforcement has requested that the telephonic prehearing conference be postponed to a date after the due date for his Answer. Pedras is incarcerated pending trial, currently set for November 29, 2016.<sup>1</sup> *United States v. Pedras*, ECF Nos. 27, 30, 32.

IT IS ORDERED that the telephonic prehearing conference scheduled for October 14, 2016, will be postponed *sine die*. The Division of Enforcement will report on a date or dates, on or after November 14, 2016, when Pedras is available to participate in a telephonic prehearing conference.<sup>2</sup>

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this order and future orders and correspondence be served on Pedras at his current address: Christopher A.T. Pedras, a/k/a Antone Thomas Pedras (Register No. 74111-112), MDC Los Angeles, Metropolitan Detention Center, P.O. Box 1500, Los Angeles, CA 90053.

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

<sup>1</sup> The United States Attorney has not, to date, requested a stay of this proceeding, pursuant to 17 C.F.R. § 201.210(c)(3), during the pendency of *United States v. Pedras*.

<sup>2</sup> The Division is reminded of its responsibility to provide its investigative file to him, in compliance with 17 C.F.R. § 201.230 and the Commission's rulings in *Byron S. Rainer*, Securities Exchange Act of 1934 Release No. 59040, 2008 SEC LEXIS 2840, at \*4-7 (Dec. 2, 2008); and *José P. Zollino*, Exchange Act Release No. 51632, 2005 SEC LEXIS 987, at \*7-10 (Apr. 29, 2005).