UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

: Civil Action No.

100 F Street, N.E. Washington, DC 20549

Plaintiff,

COMPLAINT

v.

DAVID L. NALLY,

Defendant.

Plaintiff Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") alleges:

SUMMARY

1. David L. Nally ("Nally") engaged in a fraudulent trading scheme by executing at least 138 wash sales between various brokerage accounts that he controlled in order to transfer funds from a traditional IRA account ("Rollover") to a Roth IRA account ("Roth"). Through this fraudulent scheme, Nally transferred approximately \$152,606.80 from his Rollover account to his Roth account. To accomplish his fraudulent goal, Nally used thinly traded stocks, and executed his wash sales in the less liquid after-hours market [the periods between 7:30 a.m.-9:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m.]. The wash sales consisted of near-simultaneous matching limit orders to buy and sell the same securities, which were placed in two accounts Nally controlled and were often placed at prices that were away from the existing market price to further ensure his buy order was filled with securities from the account in which he placed the sell order.

- 2. Through his fraudulent scheme, Nally sought to avoid the tax consequences of withdrawing funds from his Rollover account and thereby violated Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") and Exchange Act Rule 10b-5. Unless permanently enjoined, Nally will continue to engage in such acts and practices.
- 3. The Commission seeks an injunction against future violations and civil monetary penalties pursuant to Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §§ 78u(d)(3)].

JURISDICTON

4. This Court has jurisdiction pursuant to Sections 21(d)(1), 21(e), and 27 of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §§ 78u(d)(1), 78u(e), and 78aa].

THE DEFENDANT

5. David L. Nally, age 41, is a self-employed trader who resides in Ivins, Utah.

FACTS

Wash Sales Scheme

Background

- 6. Nally's wash sales scheme involved trades between his Rollover and Roth accounts, which were both maintained at the same broker-dealer.
- 7. Wash sales are transactions involving no change in beneficial ownership. Nally's sole motivation for engaging in his wash sales scheme was to transfer money from his Rollover account to his Roth account while avoiding the tax consequence of directly withdrawing funds from his Rollover account. At the time that Nally initiated his wash sales

scheme, he had approximately \$630,000 in his Rollover account and \$4,200 in his Roth account.

8. Nally pursued his wash sales scheme from at least January 14, 2004 through November 29, 2004, conducting wash sales in at least eight different stocks and making at least 138 wash trades as part of his wash sales scheme. Through the wash trades Nally improperly shifted approximately \$152,606.80.00 from his Rollover account to his Roth account.

Wash Sales by David Nally

- 9. The majority of Nally's wash sales were executed in the after-hours market, the periods between 7:30 a.m.-9:15 a.m. and 4:15 p.m.-8:00 p.m. Nally consciously chose to conduct his wash sales in the after-hours market to avoid competing market activity that could be executed against the matching limit orders he devised.
- 10. In order to further minimize the chance that other market participants would execute against his limit orders, Nally frequently executed wash sales at a price that was outside the existing national best bid and offer spread.
- 11. In order to transfer funds between the accounts, Nally would either use his Rollover account to buy a stock from his Roth account at a price above the prevailing market price or sell stock from his Rollover account to his Roth account at a price below the prevailing market price. The following is an example of Nally's trading:
 - On February 5, 2004
 - o Nally ordered the Rollover account to SELL 140 Province Healthcare shares for \$14.03
 - Nally ordered the Roth account to BUY 140 Province Healthcare shares for \$14.03
 - These orders were executed against each other at 08:23:10.
 - o Nally ordered the Rollover account to BUY 140 Province Healthcare shares for \$18.55

- Nally ordered the Roth account to SELL 140 Province Healthcare shares for \$18.55
- These orders were executed against each other at 19:46:13.

While it appeared to the market that 280 shares traded hands in arms length transactions, in reality Nally used 140 shares of Province Healthcare to effectively transfer \$632.80 (140 x \$4.52) from the Rollover account to the Roth account.

- 12. Between February 3, 2004 and May 28, 2004, Nally executed 39 prearranged wash sales in Annuity and Life Re (Holdings) Ltd. These trades, totaling 180,000 shares, effectively transferred \$29,495 from the Rollover account to the Roth account. On February 3, 2004, Nally executed two wash sales in Phosphate Resource Partners LP. These trades, totaling 2,000 shares, effectively transferred \$800 from the Rollover account to the Roth account.
- 13. Between February 10, 2004 and February 25, 2004, Nally executed four wash sales in Revlon, Inc. These trades, totaling 16,000 shares, effectively transferred \$6,480 from the Rollover to the Roth account. Between March 30, 2004 and May 28, 2004, Nally executed 27 wash sales in Triton PCS Holdings Inc. These trades, totaling 31,000 shares, effectively transferred \$27,450 from the Rollover to the Roth account. Between February 17, 2004 and April 15, 2004, Nally executed 13 wash sales in Terra Industries. These trades, totaling 12,710 shares, effectively transferred \$4,140 from the Rollover to the Roth Account. Between February 3, 2004 and May 28, 2004, Nally effectively transferred \$68,997.80 from his Rollover account to his Roth account.

Nally Knew Wash Sales Were Improper

14. Nally understood the tax implications associated with his Rollover account and his Roth account. In addition, he knew that there was an early withdrawal penalty if he

withdrew funds from his Rollover account before age 59. Nally engaged in his wash sales scheme solely as a means to transfer money from his Rollover account to his Roth account to avoid the tax consequences of withdrawing funds from his Rollover account.

CLAIM FOR RELIEF

Violations of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Exchange Act Rule 10b-5 [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5]

- 15. The Commission realleges and incorporates by reference paragraphs 1 through 14 above.
- 16. Defendant Nally, by engaging in the conduct described above, directly or indirectly, in connection with the purchase or sale of a security, by the use of means or instrumentalities of interstate commerce, of the mails, or of the facilities of a national securities exchange:
 - a. employed devices, schemes or artifices to defraud;
 - b. made untrue statements of a material fact or omitted 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. engaged in acts, practices, or courses of business which operated or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon other persons.
- 17. By engaging in the conduct described above, the defendant violated, and unless restrained and enjoined will continue to violate, Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Exchange Act Rule 10b-5 [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5].

PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, the Commission respectfully requests that this Court enter a judgment:

I.

Permanently enjoining defendant David L. Nally from violating Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Exchange Act Rule 10b-5 [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5];

II.

Ordering defendant David L. Nally to pay a civil monetary penalty pursuant to Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)]; and

III.

Granting such other relief as the Court may deem just and appropriate.

Dated: <u>May 31</u>, 2007

Respectfully submitted

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