

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Release No. 71318 / January 15, 2014

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940
Release No. 3759 / January 15, 2014

Admin. Proc. File No. 3-15513

In the Matter of

JAMES R. LANIER

NOTICE THAT INITIAL DECISION HAS BECOME FINAL

The time for filing a petition for review of the initial decision in this proceeding has expired. No such petition has been filed by James R. Lanier and the Commission has not chosen to review the decision on its own initiative.

Accordingly, notice is hereby given, pursuant to Rule 360(d) of the Commission's Rules of Practice,¹ that the initial decision of the administrative law judge² has become the final decision of the Commission with respect to James R. Lanier. The order contained in that decision is hereby declared effective. The initial decision ordered that, pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940, James R. Lanier is barred from associating with any broker, dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization and from participating in an offering of penny stock.

For the Commission, by the Office of the General Counsel, pursuant to delegated authority.

Elizabeth M. Murphy

¹ 17 C.F.R. ' 201.360(d).

² *James R. Lanier*, Initial Decision Rel. No. 515-A (Nov. 19, 2013), 107 SEC Docket 13, 2013 WL 6074071.

Secretary