## UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

#### SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

Plaintiff,

v.

RYAN ASHLEY BRANT,

Defendant.

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### FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT RYAN ASHLEY BRANT

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") having filed a Complaint and Defendant Ryan Ashley Brant ("Defendant" or "Brant") 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 and Defendant's agents, 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 (the "Exchange Act") [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5], promulgated thereunder, 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 and Defendant's agents, 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 Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 (the "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.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant and Defendant's agents, 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 Section 14(a) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78n(a)] and Rule 14a-9 [17 C.F.R. § 240.14a-9], promulgated thereunder, directly or indirectly, by making solicitations by means of a proxy statement, form of proxy, notice of meeting or other communication, written or oral, containing any statement which, at the time and in the light of the circumstances under which it is made, is false or misleading with respect to any material fact, or which omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements therein not false or misleading or necessary to correct any statement in any earlier communication with respect to the solicitation of a proxy for the same meeting or subject matter which has become false or misleading.

IV.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant and Defendant's agents, 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 Section 13(b)(5) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(5)] and Rule 13b2-1 [17 C.F.R. § 240.13b2-1], directly or indirectly, by knowingly circumventing or knowingly failing to implement a system of internal accounting controls or knowingly falsifying or causing to be falsified any book, record, or account subject to Section 13(b)(2)(A) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78m(b)(2)(A)].

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant and Defendant's agents, 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 Section 16(a) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78p(a)] and Rule 16a-3 [17 C.F.R. § 240.16a-3], promulgated thereunder, directly or indirectly, by failing to file, by improperly filing, or by filing inaccurate information in statements with the Commission regarding ownership of an issuer's securities, registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 781], as well as any changes in the ownership of such securities.

VI.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant and Defendant's agents, 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 aiding and abetting any violation of Sections 13(a), 13(b)(2)(A), and 13(b)(2)(B) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §§ 78m(a), 78m(b)(2)(A), and 78m(b)(2)(B)] and Rules 12b-20, 13a-1, and 13a-13 [17 C.F.R. §§ 240.12b-20, 240.13a-1, 240.13a-13], promulgated thereunder, directly or indirectly, by knowingly providing substantial assistance to an issuer having securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78l], or any issuer which is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78o(d)], by:

(a) filing or causing to be filed with the Commission any report required to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C.

- § 78m(a)] and the rules and regulations promulgated thereunder, which contains any untrue statement of material fact, which omits to state any material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading, or which omits to disclose any information required to be disclosed; or
- (b) failing to make and keep books, records, and accounts which, in reasonable detail, accurately and fairly reflect the transactions and dispositions of the assets of the issuer; or
- (c) failing to devise and maintain a system of internal accounting controls sufficient to provide reasonable assurances that: (1) transactions are executed in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; (2) transactions are recorded as necessary (a) to permit preparation of financial statements in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles (GAAP) or any other criteria applicable to such statements and (b) to maintain accountability for assets; (3) access to assets is permitted only in accordance with management's general or specific authorization; and (4) the recorded accountability for assets is compared with the existing assets at reasonable intervals and appropriate action is taken with respect to any differences.

#### VII.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, pursuant to Section 20(e) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(e)] and Section 21(d)(2) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(2)], Defendant is prohibited from acting as an officer or director of any issuer that has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of the Exchange Act

[15 U.S.C. § 781] or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 780(d)].

### VIII.

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is liable for disgorgement of \$4,118,093.00, representing profits gained as a result of the conduct alleged in the Complaint, together with prejudgment interest thereon in the amount of \$1,143,513.00, and a civil penalty in the amount of \$1,000,000.00 pursuant to Section 20(d) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(d)] and Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)]. Defendant shall satisfy this obligation by paying \$2,000,000.00 within ten (10) business days to the Clerk of this Court, together with a cover letter identifying Ryan Ashley Brant as the 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. Defendant shall pay the balance of \$4,261,606.00, plus post-judgment interest thereon, to be calculated pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961 within six months of the date of the initial payment. By making these payments, Defendant relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such funds, and no part of the funds shall be returned to Defendant. Defendant shall pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961.

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 used 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. In

accordance with 28 U.S.C. § 1914 and the guidelines set by the Director of the Administrative Office of the United States Courts, the Clerk is directed, without further order of this Court, to deduct from the income earned on the money in the Fund a fee equal to ten percent of the income earned on the Fund. Such fee shall not exceed that authorized by the Judicial Conference of the United States.

The Commission may by motion propose a plan to distribute the Fund subject to the Court's approval. Such a plan may provide that Fund shall be distributed pursuant to the Fair Fund provisions of Section 308(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002 [15 U.S.C. § 7246(a)]. Regardless of whether any such Fair Fund distribution is made, amounts ordered to be paid as civil penalties pursuant to this Judgment shall be treated as penalties paid to the government for all purposes, including all tax purposes. To preserve the deterrent effect of the civil penalty, Defendant shall not, after offset or reduction of any award of compensatory damages in any Related Investor Action based on Defendant's payment of disgorgement in this action, argue that he is entitled to, nor shall he further benefit by, offset or reduction of such compensatory damages award by the amount of any part of Defendant's payment of a civil penalty in this action ("Penalty Offset"). If the court in any Related Investor Action grants such a Penalty Offset, Defendant shall, within 30 days after entry of a final order granting the Penalty Offset, notify the Commission's counsel in this action and pay the amount of the Penalty Offset to the United States Treasury or to a Fair Fund, as the Commission directs. Such a payment shall not be deemed an additional civil penalty and shall not be deemed to change the amount of the civil penalty imposed in this Judgment. For purposes of this paragraph, a "Related Investor Action" means a private damages action brought against Defendant by or on behalf of one or more investors based on substantially the same facts as alleged in the Complaint in this action.

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.

X.

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.

XI.

There being no just reason for delay, pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Clerk is ordered to enter this Final Judgment forthwith and without further notice.

Dated: Feling 16, 2007

UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE

Office of the Clerk U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

	Date:				
	In Re:				
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	Case #:		(	)	
Dear Litigant,					
Enclosed is a copy of the judgmo	ent entered in your case.				
Your attention is directed to Rule that if you wish to appeal the judgment i date of entry of the judgment (60 days if party).	in your case, you must file	a notice of ap	ppeal w	ithin 30 days	of the
If you wish to appeal the judgme within the required time, you may make a of Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5). That rule refailure to file your notice of appeal within other parties and then filed with the Pro Se (90 days if the United States or an office	a motion for an extension of quires you to show "excus in the time allowed. Any su e Office no later than 60 da	of time in acc sable neglect' uch motion m ys from the da	ordance ' or "go ust first ate of er	e with the provocation of cause" for be served upon	vision your on the
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The Filing fee for a notice of app the "Clerk of the Court, USDC, SDNY" accepted.	= =		_		
	J. Micha	el McMahon	ı, Clerk	of Court	
	by:				
			, Dep	uty Clerk	

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		NOTICE	OF APPEAL	
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Notice is hereby given	that	(party)		
hereby appeals to the United Sta	tes Court of Appeals fo		from the Judgment [c	lescribe it
entered in this action on the	day of	(month)	,	
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<u>Note</u>: You may use this form to take an appeal provided that it is <u>received</u> by the office of the Clerk of the District Court within 30 days of the date on which the judgment was entered (60 days if the United States or an officer or agency of the United States is a party).

FORM 1

Office of the Clerk U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

	X
-V-	MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME   TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL
	   civ. ( )   X
Pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5),	respectfully
requests leave to file the within notice of appeal	(party) out of time.
desires to appeal the judgment in this action enter	ed on (party) but failed to file a
[Explain here the "excusable neglect" or "good cause" required number of days.]	which led to your failure to file a notice of appeal within the
	(Signature)
Date:	(Address)  (City, State and Zip Code)
	(Telephone Number)

<u>Note</u>: You may use this form, together with a copy of Form 1, if you are seeking to appeal a judgment and did not file a copy of Form 1 within the required time. If you follow this procedure, these forms must be <u>received</u> in the office of the Clerk of the District Court no later than 60 days of the date which the judgment was entered (90 days if the United States or an officer or agency of the United States is a party).

FORM 2

Office of the Clerk U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

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-V-	NOTICE OF APPEAL AND MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME		
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this Court's judgment was received on court on (date)	(party) and that this form was mailed to the (date)		
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	(Address)		
	(City, State and Zip Code)		
Date:	( )(Telephone Number)		

<u>Note</u>: You may use this form if you are mailing your notice of appeal and are not sure the Clerk of the District Court will <u>receive</u> it within the 30 days of the date on which the judgment was entered (60 days if the United States or an officer or agency of the United States is a party).

FORM 3

Office of the Clerk U.S. Courthouse 500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

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-V-	AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE
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whose address is:	
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Date:New York, New York	
	(Signature)
	(Address)
	(City, State and Zip Code)

FORM 4