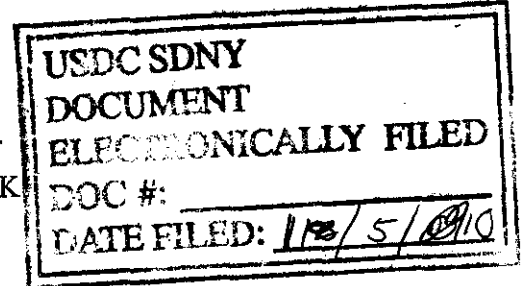


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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK



SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

-against-

ETHAN KASS,

Defendant.

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CHAMBERS OF  
WILLIAM H. PAULEY  
U.S.D.J.

**FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO DEFENDANT ETHAN KASS**

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") having filed a Complaint and Defendant Ethan Kass ("Defendant") 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

SO ORDERED:

*William H. Pauley III*  
WILLIAM H. PAULEY III U.S.D.J.

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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, directly or indirectly, while acting as an investment adviser or an associated person of an investment adviser, aiding and abetting violations of Section 204 of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act") [15 U.S.C. § 80b-4] and Rule 204-2 [17 C.F.R. § 275.204-2] promulgated thereunder, by failing to make and keep true, accurate and current such books and records relating to his investment advisory business as the Commission by rule, may prescribe as necessary or appropriate in the public interest or for the protection of investors.

III.

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, directly or indirectly, while acting as an investment adviser or an associated person of an investment adviser, aiding and abetting violations of Section 206(2) of the Advisers Act [15 U.S.C. § 80b-6(2)], by the use of the mails or any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce, engaging in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates as a fraud or deceit upon any client or prospective client.

IV.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant shall pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$50,000 pursuant to Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)], and Section 209(e) of the Advisers Act [15 U.S.C. § 80b-9(e)]. Defendant shall make this payment pursuant to the terms of the payment schedule set forth in paragraph V below after entry of this Final Judgment by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission. The payment shall be delivered or mailed to the Office of Financial Management, Securities and Exchange Commission, Operations Center, 6432 General Green Way, Mail Stop 0-3, Alexandria, Virginia 22312, with a copy to Ken Joseph, Securities and Exchange Commission, 3 World Financial Center, New York, New York 10281, and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying Ethan Kass as a 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 pay post-judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 USC § 1961. The Commission shall remit the funds paid pursuant to this paragraph to the United States Treasury.

V.

Defendant shall pay \$50,000 in two installments according to the following schedule:

- (1) \$25,000 within ten business days of entry of this Final Judgment;
- (2) \$25,000 within 360 days of entry of this Final Judgment.

If Defendant fails to make any payment by the date agreed and/or in the amount agreed according to the schedule set forth above, all outstanding payments under this Final Judgment, including post-judgment interest, minus any payments made, shall become due and payable immediately without further application to the Court.

VI.

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.

VII.

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.

VIII.

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.

## **CONSENT OF DEFENDANT ETHAN KASS TO FINAL JUDGMENT**

1. Defendant Ethan Kass ("Defendant") waives service of the Summons and Complaint in this action, enters a general appearance, and admits the Court's jurisdiction over Defendant and over the subject matter of this action.

2. Without admitting or denying the allegations of the Complaint (except as to personal and subject matter jurisdiction, which Defendant admits), Defendant hereby consents to the entry of the Final Judgment in the form attached hereto (the "Final Judgment") and incorporated by reference herein, which, among other things:

- (a) permanently restrains and enjoins Defendant from violations of Section 10(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5] promulgated thereunder, and aiding and abetting violations of Sections 204 and 206(2) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act") [15 U.S.C. §§ 80b-4 and 80b-6(2)], and Rule 204-2 [17 C.F.R. § 275.204-2] promulgated thereunder; and
- (b) orders Defendant to pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$50,000 under Section 21(d)(3) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)] and Section 209(e) of the Advisers Act [15 U.S.C. § 80b-9(e)], with a first payment of \$25,000 due within ten business days of entry of the Final Judgment, and a second payment of \$25,000 due within 360 days of entry of the Final Judgment.

3. Defendant agrees that he shall not seek or accept, directly or indirectly,

reimbursement or indemnification from any source, including but not limited to payment made pursuant to any insurance policy, with regard to any civil penalty amounts that Defendant pays pursuant to the Final Judgment, regardless of whether such penalty amounts or any part thereof are added to a distribution fund or otherwise used for the benefit of investors. Defendant further agrees that he shall not claim, assert, or apply for a tax deduction or tax credit with regard to any federal, state, or local tax for any penalty amounts that Defendant pays pursuant to the Final Judgment, regardless of whether such penalty amounts or any part thereof are added to a distribution fund or otherwise used for the benefit of investors.

4. Defendant waives the entry of findings of fact and conclusions of law pursuant to Rule 52 of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

5. Defendant waives the right, if any, to a jury trial and to appeal from the entry of the Final Judgment.

6. Defendant enters into this Consent voluntarily and represents that no threats, offers, promises, or inducements of any kind have been made by the Commission or any member, officer, employee, agent, or representative of the Commission to induce Defendant to enter into this Consent.

7. Defendant agrees that this Consent shall be incorporated into the Final Judgment with the same force and effect as if fully set forth therein.

8. Defendant will not oppose the enforcement of the Final Judgment on the ground, if any exists, that it fails to comply with Rule 65(d) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, and hereby waives any objection based thereon.

9. Defendant waives service of the Final Judgment and agrees that entry of the Final

Judgment by the Court and filing with the Clerk of the Court will constitute notice to Defendant of its terms and conditions. Defendant further agrees to provide counsel for the Commission, within thirty days after the Final Judgment is filed with the Clerk of the Court, with an affidavit or declaration stating that Defendant has received and read a copy of the Final Judgment.

10. Consistent with 17 C.F.R. 202.5(f), this Consent resolves only the claims asserted against Defendant in this civil proceeding. Defendant acknowledges that no promise or representation has been made by the Commission or any member, officer, employee, agent, or representative of the Commission with regard to any criminal liability that may have arisen or may arise from the facts underlying this action or immunity from any such criminal liability. Defendant waives any claim of Double Jeopardy based upon the settlement of this proceeding, including the imposition of any remedy or civil penalty herein. Defendant further acknowledges that the Court's entry of a permanent injunction may have collateral consequences under federal or state law and the rules and regulations of self-regulatory organizations, licensing boards, and other regulatory organizations. Such collateral consequences include, but are not limited to, a statutory disqualification with respect to membership or participation in, or association with a member of, a self-regulatory organization. This statutory disqualification has consequences that are separate from any sanction imposed in an administrative proceeding. In addition, in any disciplinary proceeding before the Commission based on the entry of the injunction in this action, Defendant understands that he shall not be permitted to contest the factual allegations of the complaint in this action.

11. Defendant understands and agrees to comply with the Commission's policy "not to permit a defendant or respondent to consent to a judgment or order that imposes a sanction

while denying the allegation in the complaint or order for proceedings.” 17 C.F.R. § 202.5. In compliance with this policy, Defendant agrees: (i) not to take any action or to make or permit to be made any public statement denying, directly or indirectly, any allegation in the complaint or creating the impression that the complaint is without factual basis; and (ii) that upon the filing of this Consent, Defendant hereby withdraws any papers filed in this action to the extent that they deny any allegation in the complaint. If Defendant breaches this agreement, the Commission may petition the Court to vacate the Final Judgment and restore this action to its active docket. Nothing in this paragraph affects Defendant’s: (i) testimonial obligations; or (ii) right to take legal or factual positions in litigation or other legal proceedings in which the Commission is not a party.

12. Defendant hereby waives any rights under the Equal Access to Justice Act, the Small Business Regulatory Enforcement Fairness Act of 1996, or any other provision of law to seek from the United States, or any agency, or any official of the United States acting in his or her official capacity, directly or indirectly, reimbursement of attorney’s fees or other fees, expenses, or costs expended by Defendant to defend against this action. For these purposes, Defendant agrees that Defendant is not the prevailing party in this action since the parties have reached a good faith settlement.

13. Defendant agrees that the Commission may present the Final Judgment to the Court for signature and entry without further notice.

14. Defendant agrees that this Court shall retain jurisdiction over this matter for the purpose of enforcing the terms of the Final Judgment.



Dated: Sept. 21, 2009

Ethan Kass  
Ethan Kass

On Sept. 21, 2009, Ethan Kass, a person known to me,  
personally appeared before me and acknowledged executing the foregoing Consent.

LARRY H. KRANTZ  
NOTARY PUBLIC - STATE OF NEW YORK  
NO. 02-KR5071285  
QUALIFIED IN NEW YORK COUNTY  
MY COMMISSION EXPIRES JULY 12, 2011

Larry H. Krantz

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated: \_\_\_\_\_, 2009  
New York, New York

\_\_\_\_\_  
United States District Judge

[Signature]

**United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
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 judgment entered in your case.

Your attention is directed to Rule 4(a)(1) of the Federal Rules of Appellate Procedure, which requires that if you wish to appeal the judgment in your case, you must file a notice of appeal within 30 days of the date of entry of the judgment (60 days if the United States or an officer or agency of the United States is a party).

If you wish to appeal the judgment but for any reason you are unable to file your notice of appeal within the required time, you may make a motion for an extension of time in accordance with the provision of Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5). That rule requires you to show "excusable neglect" or "good cause" for your failure to file your notice of appeal within the time allowed. Any such motion must first be served upon the other parties and then filed with the Pro Se Office no later than 60 days from the date of entry of the judgment (90 days if the United States or an officer or agency of the United States is a party).

The enclosed Forms 1, 2 and 3 cover some common situations, and you may choose to use one of them if appropriate to your circumstances.

The Filing fee for a notice of appeal is \$5.00 and the appellate docketing fee is \$450.00 payable to the "Clerk of the Court, USDC, SDNY" by certified check, money order or cash. **No personal checks are accepted.**

**J. Michael McMahon, Clerk of Court**

by: \_\_\_\_\_

, Deputy Clerk

**APPEAL FORMS**

**United States District Court**  
**Southern District of New York**  
Office of the Clerk  
U.S. Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL**

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Notice is hereby given that \_\_\_\_\_  
(party)  
hereby appeals to the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit from the Judgment [describe it]

entered in this action on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ , \_\_\_\_\_ .  
(day) (month) (year)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State and Zip Code)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

( ) \_\_\_\_\_  
(Telephone Number)

**Note:** You may use this form to take an appeal provided that it is received 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

**United States District Court  
Southern District of New York  
Office of the Clerk  
U.S. Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213**

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**MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME  
TO FILE A NOTICE OF APPEAL**

civ. ( )

Pursuant to Fed. R. App. P. 4(a)(5), \_\_\_\_\_ respectfully  
(party)  
requests leave to file the within notice of appeal out of time. \_\_\_\_\_  
(party)  
desires to appeal the judgment in this action entered on \_\_\_\_\_ but failed to file a  
(day)  
notice of appeal within the required number of days because:

[Explain here the "excusable neglect" or "good cause" which led to your failure to file a notice of appeal within the required number of days.]

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State and Zip Code)

Date: \_\_\_\_\_ ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_  
(Telephone Number)

**Note:** 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 received 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).

**APPEAL FORMS**



FORM 3

**United States District Court**  
**Southern District of New York**  
Office of the Clerk  
U.S. Courthouse  
500 Pearl Street, New York, N.Y. 10007-1213

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**AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE**

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I, \_\_\_\_\_, declare under penalty of perjury that I have  
served a copy of the attached \_\_\_\_\_

upon \_\_\_\_\_

whose address is: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
New York, New York

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Address)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(City, State and Zip Code)

**APPEAL FORMS**