

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF FLORIDA

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

MATTHEW HENRY SAGE, et al.

Defendants.

Case No. 16-cv-81490-RLR

**FINAL JUDGMENT OF PERMANENT INJUNCTION AND OTHER RELIEF AS TO  
DEFENDANT MATTHEW HENRY SAGE**

The Securities and Exchange Commission having filed a Complaint and Defendant Matthew Henry Sage (“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 personal and subject matter jurisdiction and except as otherwise provided herein in paragraph VII); waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment:

**I.**

**SECTION 10(b) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 AND  
EXCHANGE ACT RULE 10b-5**

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendant is 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 promulgated thereunder

[17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5], 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

by, directly or indirectly, (i) creating a false appearance or otherwise deceiving any person, or (ii) disseminating false or misleading documents, materials, or information or making, either orally or in writing, any false or misleading statement in any communication with any investor or prospective investor, about:

- (A) any investment in or offering of securities,
- (B) the registration status of such offering or of such securities,
- (C) the prospects for success of any product or company,
- (D) the use of investor funds; or
- (E) the misappropriation of investor funds or investment proceeds.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that, as provided in Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 65(d)(2), the foregoing paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise: (a) Defendant's officers, agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (b) other persons in active concert or participation with Defendant or with anyone described in (a).

**II.**

**SECTION 17(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT OF 1933**

IT IS HEREBY FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendant is 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.

by, directly or indirectly, (i) creating a false appearance or otherwise deceiving any person, or (ii) disseminating false or misleading documents, materials, or information or making, either orally or in writing, any false or misleading statement in any communication with any investor or prospective investor, about:

- (A) any investment in or offering of securities,
- (B) the registration status of such offering or of such securities,
- (C) the prospects for success of any product or company,
- (D) the use of investor funds; or

(E) the misappropriation of investor funds or investment proceeds.

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### **III.**

#### **CONDUCT-BASED INJUNCTION**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Sage is permanently restrained and enjoined from directly or indirectly, including, but not limited to, through any entity controlled by him: (i) participating in the issuance, purchase, offer, or sale of any security, or (ii) engaging in activities for purposes of inducing or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of any security; provided, however, that such injunction shall not prevent Defendant from purchasing or selling securities listed on a national securities exchange for his own personal account.

### **IV.**

#### **OFFICER AND DIRECTOR BAR**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that, pursuant to Section 21(d)(2) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(2)] and/or Section 20(e) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(e)], 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. § 78j] or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section 15(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78o(d)].

### **V.**

### **COMMAND TO COMPLY WITH PRIOR ORDERS**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that, pursuant to Section 20(c) of the Securities Act and/or Section 21(e) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(c) and/or 15 U.S.C. § 78u(e)], Sage is commanded to comply with (i) the September 27, 1993 District Court Judgment of Permanent Injunction entered against him in SEC v. U.S. Dairy Corp., et al., Case No. 93-14181 CIV-Moore (S.D. Fla. September 24, 1993) enjoining him from future violations of 17(a) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77q(a)] and Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78j(b)] and Rule 10b-5 thereunder [17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5]; and (2) Sage is commanded to comply with the June 7, 1994 penny stock bar entered in Administrative Proceeding File No. 3-8389, In the Matter of Matthew H. Sage, Exchange Act Release No. 34175.

### **VI.**

#### **CIVIL PENALTY**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that Defendant is liable for a civil penalty in the amount of \$240,000 pursuant to Section 20(d) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(d)] and Section 21(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)]. Defendant shall satisfy this obligation by paying \$240,000 to the Securities and Exchange Commission within 14 days after entry of this Final Judgment.

Defendant may transmit payment electronically to the Commission, which will provide detailed ACH transfer/Fedwire instructions upon request. Payment may also be made directly from a bank account via Pay.gov through the SEC website at <http://www.sec.gov/about/offices/ofm.htm>. Defendant may also pay by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission, which shall be delivered or mailed to

Enterprise Services Center  
Accounts Receivable Branch  
6500 South MacArthur Boulevard  
Oklahoma City, OK 73169

and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying the case title, civil action number, and name of this Court; Sage as a defendant in this action; and specifying that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment.

Defendant shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of evidence of payment and case identifying information to the Commission's counsel in this action. By making this payment, Defendant relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such funds and no part of the funds shall be returned to Defendant.

The Commission shall hold the funds (collectively, the "Fund") and may propose a plan to distribute the Fund subject to the Court's approval. The Court shall retain jurisdiction over the administration of any distribution of the Fund. If the Commission staff determines that the Fund will not be distributed, the Commission shall send the funds paid pursuant to this Final Judgment to the United States Treasury. Defendant shall pay post judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961.

## **VII.**

### **BANKRUPTCY NONDISCHARGEABILITY**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523, the allegations in the complaint are true and admitted by Defendant, and further, any debt for civil penalty or other amounts due by Defendant under this Final Judgment or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for

the violation by Defendant of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(19).

**VIII.**

**RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that this Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final Judgment.

**IX.**

**RULE 54(b) CERTIFICATION**

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.

**DONE AND ORDERED** in Chambers, Fort Pierce, Florida, this 30th day of August 2016.

Copies furnished to:  
Counsel of record

  
ROBIN L. ROSENBERG  
UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE