UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION Washington, D.C. 20549

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS Release No. 2138/December 16, 2014

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-16263

In the Matter of

JOSHUA WAYNE LANKFORD

ORDER FINDING RESPONDENT IN DEFAULT AND DIRECTING MOTION FOR SANCTIONS

The Securities and Exchange Commission commenced this proceeding on November 7, 2014, with an Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings (OIP) against Respondent pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934.

A telephonic prehearing conference was held in this matter on December 11, 2014. The Division of Enforcement (Division) attended the prehearing conference, but Respondent did not. I had previously found that Respondent's Answer was due by December 3, 2014, and ordered him to show cause by December 15, 2014, why this proceeding should not be determined against him due to the failure to file an Answer or otherwise defend this proceeding. *Joshua Wayne Lankford*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 2101, 2014 SEC LEXIS 4686 (Dec. 5, 2014).

As of today, Respondent has not answered the OIP or the show cause order. Accordingly, pursuant to Rule 155(a) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, I find Respondent in default. *See* OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a)(1)-(2), .220(f), .221(f).

It is ORDERED that the Division shall file a motion for sanctions by Friday, January 23, 2015. The motion shall provide legal authority and evidentiary support relating to the OIP's allegations and the Division's requested sanctions in accordance with *Rapoport v. SEC*, 682 F.3d 98 (D.C. Cir. 2012).

Cameron Elliot Administrative Law Judge