

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

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS RULINGS

Release No. 6234/October 22, 2018

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING

File No. 3-18201

In the Matter of

HAMPSHIRE GROUP, LIMITED,	:	
UNITED MORTGAGE TRUST, INC., and	:	ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE
ZOOM COMPANIES, INC.	:	

The Securities and Exchange Commission instituted this proceeding with an Order Instituting Proceedings (OIP), pursuant to Section 12(j) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 on September 22, 2017. Only Hampshire Group, Limited (Respondent), remains in the proceeding.¹ On November 2, 2017, an Initial Decision of Default revoked the registration of its registered securities. *Hampshire Grp.*, Initial Decision No. 1220, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3497 (A.L.J.). It had been served with the OIP on October 6, 2017, by U.S. Postal Service Express Mail attempted delivery at “the most recent address shown on [its] most recent filing with the Commission,” pursuant to 17 C.F.R. § 201.141(a)(2)(ii), and failed to file an Answer.

On August 22, 2018, in light of *Lucia v. SEC*, 138 S. Ct. 2044 (2018), the Commission ordered a new hearing in each pending proceeding, including this one, before an administrative law judge who had not previously participated in the proceeding, unless the parties expressly agreed to alternative procedures, including agreeing that the proceeding remain with the previous presiding administrative law judge. *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Securities Act of 1933 Release No. 10536, 2018 SEC LEXIS 2058, at *2-3. Accordingly, the proceeding was reassigned to the undersigned. *Pending Admin. Proc.*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 5955, 2018 SEC LEXIS 2264 (C.A.L.J. Sept. 12, 2018).

In view of the reassignment of the proceeding, Hampshire Group was afforded a new opportunity to file an Answer, which was due by October 12, 2018. *Hampshire Grp.*, Admin. Proc. Rulings Release No. 6083, 2018 SEC LEXIS 2596, at *3 (A.L.J. Sept. 26, 2018). To date, it has failed to file an Answer. Accordingly, Hampshire Group, Limited, IS ORDERED TO SHOW CAUSE, by November 1, 2018, why it should not be deemed to be in default and the registration of its securities revoked. *See* OIP at 3; 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.155(a), .220(f).

/S/ Carol Fox Foelak
Carol Fox Foelak
Administrative Law Judge

¹ The proceeding has ended as to United Mortgage Trust, Inc., and Zoom Companies, Inc., which settled. *Hampshire Grp.*, Exchange Act Release Nos. 81873, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3294 (Oct. 13, 2017); 81912, 2017 SEC LEXIS 3353 (Oct. 19, 2017).