

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

Administrative Proceedings Rulings
Release No. 6936 / May 1, 2025

Administrative Proceeding
File No. 3-20828

In the Matter of

Gregory Lemelson¹

**Order Regarding Use of Trial
Transcripts at the Hearing**

The Commission has expressed a “presumption favoring oral testimony of witnesses in an open hearing” rather than admission of prior testimony or sworn statements. Amendments to the Commission’s Rules of Practice, 81 Fed. Reg. 50,212, 50,223 (July 29, 2016); 17 C.F.R. § 201.235(a)(5). However, given the extensive trial record in the district court, the parties may wish to introduce trial testimony at the hearing to save time and expense.² *See* 17 C.F.R. §§ 201.103(a), .235(a)(5). The parties should consider stipulating to the admission of trial testimony or stipulating to facts established at the trial. 17 C.F.R. § 201.324. A party that wishes to rely substantively on trial testimony beyond using it for impeachment purposes should designate the specific portions considered relevant and succinctly state the justification for its admission. Any such motion and designations will be due by June 9, 2025.

/s/ Jason S. Patil
Administrative Law Judge

¹ Respondent goes by his ecclesiastical name, Father Emmanuel Lemelson.

² Both parties included portions of the transcript in their summary disposition briefing to the Commission.