

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE
COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

RYVYL, INC.; FREDI NISAN; and
BENZION ERREZ,

Defendants.

Case No.: 3:26-cv-2672-WQH-MMP

**FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO
DEFENDANT BEN ERREZ**

HAYES, Judge:

The Securities and Exchange Commission having filed a Complaint and Defendant Ben Errez (“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 and except as otherwise provided herein in paragraph VIII); 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 is 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 about the price or trading market for any security, or (ii) making any false or misleading statement, or disseminating any false or misleading documents, materials, or information, concerning matters relating to a decision by an investor or prospective investor to buy or sell securities of any company.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED 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.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED 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 about the price or trading market for any security, or

(ii) making any false or misleading statement, or disseminating any false or misleading documents, materials, or information, concerning matters relating to a decision by an investor or prospective investor to buy or sell securities of any company.

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III.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant is permanently restrained and enjoined from aiding and abetting any violations of Section 13(a) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. §78m(a)] and Rules 12b-20, 13a-1, 13a-11, and 13a-13 [17 C.F.R. §§ 240.12b-20, 240.13a-1, 240.13a-11, 240.13a-13] promulgated thereunder by knowingly or recklessly providing substantial assistance to an issuer that makes false or misleading statements within registration statements and annual and periodic filings made with the SEC.

IV.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, pursuant to Section 21(d)(5) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(5)], Defendant is prohibited, for

1 five (5) years following the date of entry of this Final Judgment, from acting as an officer
2 or director of any issuer that has a class of securities registered pursuant to Section 12 of
3 the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78l] or that is required to file reports pursuant to Section
4 15(d) of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78o(d)].

5 **V.**

6 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant shall
7 pay a civil penalty in the amount of \$230,640 to the Securities and Exchange Commission
8 pursuant to Section 20(d) of the Securities Act [15 U.S.C. § 77t(d)] and Section 21(d)(3)
9 of the Exchange Act [15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3)].

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

16 Enterprise Services Center

17 Accounts Receivable Branch

18 6500 South MacArthur Boulevard

19 Oklahoma City, OK 73169

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

23 Defendant shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of evidence of payment and
24 case identifying information to the Commission's counsel in this action. By making this
25 payment, Defendant relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such
26 funds and no part of the funds shall be returned to Defendant. The Commission shall send
27 the funds paid pursuant to this Final Judgment to the United States Treasury.

28 The Commission may enforce the Court's judgment for penalties by the use of all

1 collection procedures authorized by law, including the Federal Debt Collection Procedures
2 Act, 28 U.S.C. § 3001 *et seq.*, and moving for civil contempt for the violation of any Court
3 orders issued in this action. Defendant shall pay post-judgment interest on any amounts
4 due after 30 days of the entry of this Final Judgment pursuant to 28 USC § 1961. The
5 Commission shall hold the funds, together with any interest and income earned thereon
6 (collectively, the “Fund”), pending further order of the Court.

7 The Commission may propose a plan to distribute the Fund subject to the Court’s
8 approval. Such a plan may provide that the Fund shall be distributed pursuant to the Fair
9 Fund provisions of Section 308(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002. The Court shall
10 retain jurisdiction over the administration of any distribution of the Fund and the Fund may
11 only be disbursed pursuant to an Order of the Court.

12 Regardless of whether any such Fair Fund distribution is made, amounts ordered to
13 be paid as civil penalties pursuant to this Judgment shall be treated as penalties paid to the
14 government for all purposes, including all tax purposes. To preserve the deterrent effect of
15 the civil penalty, Defendant shall not, after offset or reduction of any award of
16 compensatory damages in any Related Investor Action based on Defendant’s payment of
17 disgorgement in this action, argue that he is entitled to, nor shall he further benefit by,
18 offset or reduction of such compensatory damages award by the amount of any part of
19 Defendant’s payment of a civil penalty in this action (“Penalty Offset”). If the court in any
20 Related Investor Action grants such a Penalty Offset, Defendant shall, within 30 days after
21 entry of a final order granting the Penalty Offset, notify the Commission’s counsel in this
22 action and pay the amount of the Penalty Offset to the United States Treasury or to a Fair
23 Fund, as the Commission directs. Such a payment shall not be deemed an additional civil
24 penalty and shall not be deemed to change the amount of the civil penalty imposed in this
25 Judgment. For purposes of this paragraph, a “Related Investor Action” means a private
26 damages action brought against Defendant by or on behalf of one or more investors based
27 on substantially the same facts as alleged in the Complaint in this action.
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VI.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that Defendant Errez shall pay the total penalty due of \$230,640 in four installments to the Commission according to the following schedule: (1) \$57,616 within ten (10) days of entry of this Final Judgment; (2) \$57,616 within six months (180 days) of entry of this Final Judgment; (3) \$57,616 within nine months (270 days) of entry of this Final Judgment; and (4) \$57,616 within twelve months (360 days) of entry of this Final Judgment. Payments shall be deemed made on the date they are received by the Commission and shall be applied first to post judgment interest, which accrues pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961 on any unpaid amounts due after 30 days of the entry of Final Judgment. Prior to making the final payment set forth herein, Defendant shall contact the staff of the Commission for the amount due for the final payment.

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 at the discretion of the staff of the Commission without further application to the Court.

VII.

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.

VIII.

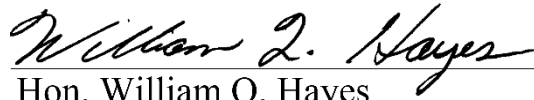
IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that, solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523, the allegations in the complaint are true and admitted by Defendant, and further, any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil 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

1 violation by Defendant of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under
2 such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C.
3 § 523(a)(19).

4 **IX.**

5 IT IS FURTHER ORDERED, ADJUDGED, AND DECREED that this Court shall
6 retain jurisdiction of this matter for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final
7 Judgment. Based upon this Final Judgment and the separate Final Judgments entered
8 contemporaneously as to the other Defendants, the Clerk of the Court shall close the case.

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10 Dated: May 11, 2026


11 Hon. William Q. Hayes
12 United States District Court
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