## UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

# SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934 Release No. 68722 / January 24, 2013

## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-15184

In the Matter of

#### ERIC D. ROGERS,

**Respondent.** 

# ORDER INSTITUTING ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 15(b) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934, MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING REMEDIAL SANCTIONS

I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public administrative proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act") against Eric Rogers ("Rogers" or "Respondent").

#### II.

In anticipation of the institution of these proceedings, Respondent has submitted an Offer of Settlement (the "Offer") which the Commission has determined to accept. Solely for the purpose of these proceedings and any other proceedings brought by or on behalf of the Commission, or to which the Commission is a party, and without admitting or denying the findings herein, except as to the Commission's jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of these proceedings and the findings contained in Section III.2 below, which are admitted, Respondent consents to the entry of this Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings Pursuant to Section 15(b) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions ("Order"), as set forth below.

### III.

On the basis of this Order and Respondent's Offer, the Commission finds that:

1. Rogers, age 31, resides in Oceanside, New York. During the relevant time period, Rogers was a registered representative and proprietary trader at Spectrum Trading, LLC ("Spectrum"), a former Delaware limited liability company and registered broker-dealer based in New York, New York. Rogers held Series 7, 55 and 63 securities licenses.

2. On January 18, 2013, a final judgment was entered by consent against Rogers, permanently enjoining him from future violations of Section 10(b) of the Exchange Act and Rule 10b-5 thereunder, in the civil action entitled <u>Securities and Exchange Commission v. Eric</u> <u>D. Rogers</u>, Civil Action Number 13-CV-0374, in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York.

3. The Commission's complaint alleged, <u>inter alia</u>, that, while working as a trader at Spectrum in 2007, Rogers was tipped material, nonpublic information concerning the possible acquisition of 3Com Corp. ("3Com), which had been misappropriated in breach of a duty owed to the source of the information. The complaint further alleged that Rogers purchased 3Com securities based on that material, nonpublic information, and knew, or should have known, that the information he received was obtained in breach of a fiduciary or other duty of trust and confidence owed to the source of the information. Following the announcement of the acquisition, Rogers sold the securities, generating total profits of approximately \$207,000.

### IV.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission deems it appropriate and in the public interest to impose the sanctions agreed to in Respondent Rogers's Offer.

Accordingly, it is hereby ORDERED pursuant to Section 15(b)(6) of the Exchange Act that Respondent Rogers be, and hereby is, barred from association with any broker or dealer, investment adviser, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization, and barred from participating in any offering of a penny stock, including: acting as a promoter, finder, consultant, agent or other person who engages in activities with a broker, dealer or issuer for purposes of the issuance or trading in any penny stock, or inducing or attempting to induce the purchase or sale of any penny stock.

Any reapplication for association by the Respondent will be subject to the applicable laws and regulations governing the reentry process, and reentry may be conditioned upon a number of factors, including, but not limited to, the satisfaction of any or all of the following: (a) any disgorgement ordered against the Respondent, whether or not the Commission has fully or partially waived payment of such disgorgement; (b) any arbitration award related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; (c) any self-regulatory organization arbitration award to a customer, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; and (d) any restitution order by a self-regulatory organization, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order.

By the Commission.

Elizabeth M. Murphy Secretary