UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
Before the
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934
Release No. 70332 / September 5, 2013

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING
File No. 3-14891

In the Matter of	:	
SPENCER C. BARASCH	:	**ORDER PERMITTING ATTORNEY TO RESUME APPEARING AND PRACTICING UNDER RULE 102(e)(5) OF THE COMMISSION'S RULES OF PRACTICE**
Respondent.	:	

I.

On May 24, 2012, the Commission entered an Order Instituting Administrative Proceedings Pursuant to Section 4C of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 and Rule 102(e) of the Commission's Rules of Practice, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions that, among other things, denied Spencer C. Barasch ("Barasch") the privilege of appearing or practicing before the Commission as an attorney, with the right to reapply for reinstatement after one year ("Order"). *In the Matter of Spencer C. Barasch*, Securities Exchange Act Rel. No. 67060, Admin. Proc. 3-14891 (May 24, 2012). Barasch paid $50,000 to the Department of Justice as part of a settlement of claims pertaining to Barasch's representation of Stanford Group Company ("SGC").

II.

On or about May 28, 2013, more than one year after he had been denied the privilege of appearing or practicing before the Commission as an attorney, Barasch filed an application for reinstatement. As part of the reinstatement process, Barasch has sworn under penalty of perjury that he has complied with the Order, that he is not subject to any suspension or disbarment as an attorney by a court of the United States or of any state, territory, district, commonwealth, or possession, and that he has not been convicted of a felony or misdemeanor involving moral turpitude as set forth in Rule 102(e)(2) of the Commission's Rules of Practice. Since entry of the Order, no information has come to the attention of the Commission relating to Barasch's character, integrity, professional conduct, or qualifications to practice before the Commission that would be a basis for denying his application, or that would be a basis for an adverse action against him pursuant to Rule 102(e) of the Commission's Rules of Practice.

III.

Based on the foregoing, the Commission has determined that, for good cause shown, it is appropriate to reinstate Barasch, pursuant to Rule 102(e)(5), to appear or practice before the Commission.

Accordingly, it is HEREBY ORDERED that Spencer C. Barasch is reinstated to practice as an attorney before the Commission.

By the Commission.

Elizabeth M. Murphy
Secretary