UNITED STATES OF AMERICA Before the SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 Release No. 6540 / February 2, 2024

INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940 Release No. 35123 / February 2, 2024

ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEEDING File No. 3-21842

In the Matter of
David B. Bodner,
Respondent.

ORDER INSTITUTING ADMINISTRATIVE AND CEASE-AND-DESIST PROCEEDINGS, PURSUANT TO SECTIONS 203(f) AND 203(k) OF THE INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940 AND SECTION 9(b) OF THE INVESTMENT COMPANY ACT OF 1940, MAKING FINDINGS, AND IMPOSING REMEDIAL SANCTIONS AND A CEASE-AND-DESIST ORDER

I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission ("Commission") deems it appropriate and in the public interest that public administrative and cease-and-desist proceedings be, and hereby are, instituted pursuant to Sections 203(f) and 203(k) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 ("Advisers Act") and Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940 ("Investment Company Act"), against David B. Bodner ("Bodner" 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 Respondent and the subject matter of these proceedings, which are admitted, and except as provided herein in Section V, Respondent consents to the entry of this Order Instituting Administrative and Cease-and-Desist Proceedings, Pursuant to Sections 203(f) and 203(k) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940 and Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act of 1940, Making Findings, and Imposing Remedial Sanctions and a Cease-and-Desist Order ("Order"), as set forth below.

III.

On the basis of this Order and Respondent's Offer, the Commission finds¹ that:

Summary of Findings

- 1. From 2013 to 2016, Bodner participated in a series of conflicted transactions involving the investment advisory activities of an enterprise known as "Beechwood," as defined below, as well as the closely related investment advisory firm known as Platinum Partners ("Platinum"). Throughout this period, Bodner, Murray Huberfeld ("Huberfeld") and Mark Nordlicht ("Nordlicht") held, through family trusts they controlled, substantial ownership interests in the entities comprising the Beechwood enterprise, including an investment adviser and two affiliated reinsurance entities. At the same time, Bodner was a principal of Platinum and held, through entities he owned and/or controlled, substantial ownership interests in Platinum's management entities, defined below, as well as interests in the private funds managed by Platinum and certain portfolio companies in which those funds invested. Bodner also played a role in Beechwood's investment process. Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed Bodner's ownership interests and role to Beechwood's advisory clients.
- 2. By 2013, Bodner knew that certain private funds managed by Platinum were increasingly invested in illiquid portfolio companies and needed additional funding to pay investor redemptions. Partly to address the Platinum funds' financial needs, Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht worked with insurance executives Mark Feuer ("Feuer") and Scott Taylor ("Taylor") to create Beechwood, which provided investment advisory and reinsurance services to various insurance company clients. Through reinsurance contracts and investment management agreements, Beechwood obtained almost \$2 billion of insurance company assets to manage.
- 3. Beechwood, with Bodner's help, invested a significant portion of its clients' assets in Platinum funds and related portfolio companies, and in other ventures, both Platinum-related and non-Platinum-related, in which Bodner, Huberfeld and/or their associates had undisclosed personal interests that created conflicts of interests. Bodner helped cause the making of a number of these investments. Despite this, Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed to its clients these conflicts, as well as the 1992 criminal convictions, the 1998 Commission consent order and the 2005 regulatory consent order involving himself and Huberfeld, described below.
- 4. Bodner also participated in certain transactions by which Beechwood clients provided liquidity to Platinum funds and related fund portfolio companies and helped those entities avoid defaults on existing loans issued by Beechwood clients. Bodner knew that some of those transactions involved using Beechwood clients' own funds to service the debt owed to them. Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed to its clients the purpose of and source of funds used for these transactions.

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The findings herein are made pursuant to Respondent's Offer of Settlement and are not binding on any other person or entity in this or any other proceeding.

- 5. Finally, Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Platinum disclosed to fund investors that the Beechwood client investments on which Platinum funds and certain of the funds' portfolio companies relied heavily to meet their liquidity needs had been obtained because Beechwood, in turn, failed to disclose to its clients the conflicts arising from the overlapping roles of himself, Huberfeld and Nordlicht at Platinum and Beechwood, his and Huberfeld's conflicting interests in particular Platinum-related and non-Platinum investments, and the respective criminal and regulatory disciplinary histories of himself and Huberfeld.
- 6. Based on the foregoing and the conduct described below, Bodner willfully violated Advisers Act Sections 206(1) and 206(2) and was a cause of Platinum's violations of Advisers Act Sections 206(1), 206(2) and 206(4) and Rule 206(4)-8 thereunder.

Respondent

7. Bodner, 66, lives in Monsey, New York. In 2013, Bodner co-founded and, through 2016, through trusts naming his children as beneficiaries, held about 20.7% of the limited partnership interests in B Asset Manager LP and B Asset Manager II LP (together, "BAM"), about 20.5% of Beechwood Re Holdings Inc.'s ("BRe Holdings") and 17.8% of Beechwood Bermuda Ltd.'s ("BBL") economic shares, and about 44.7% of BBL's voting shares. At the same time, Bodner owned 18% and 20% economic interests, respectively, in Platinum Management (NY) LLC ("Platinum Management") and Platinum Credit Management LP ("Platinum Credit"). In 1992, Bodner pleaded guilty in federal court to misdemeanor fraud in connection with his use of an impersonator to take his Series 7 exam in 1986. In 1998, the Commission filed a federal court complaint alleging that Bodner (with Huberfeld and their jointly owned entity) unlawfully engaged in transactions in unregistered securities, and he consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a federal court judgment imposing almost \$5 million in monetary relief. In 2005, as a result of Bodner's alleged involvement in an unlicensed bank holding company without prior regulatory approval, Bodner agreed with the Federal Reserve Board of New York ("FRB") and Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation ("FDIC") not to, among other things, own or control any insured depository institution without prior FDIC consent.

Other Relevant Persons and Entities

8. **Huberfeld**, 62, lives in Lawrence, New York. In 2013, Huberfeld co-founded and, through 2016, owned indirectly through trusts naming his children as beneficiaries, about 20.7% of the limited partnership interests in BAM, about 20.5% of BRe Holdings' and 19.8% of BBL's economic shares, and about 26.8% of BBL's voting shares. At the same time, he owned 18% and 20% economic interests, respectively, in Platinum Management and Platinum Credit. In 1992, Huberfeld pleaded guilty to misdemeanor fraud in connection with his use of an impersonator to take his Series 7 exam in 1986. In 1996, Huberfeld consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a Commission administrative order finding that he had unlawfully engaged in transactions in unregistered securities. In 1998, the Commission filed a federal court complaint alleging that Huberfeld (with Bodner and their jointly owned entity) had unlawfully engaged in further transactions in unregistered securities, and he consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a judgment imposing almost \$5 million in monetary relief. In 2005, as a result of

his alleged investment in an unlicensed bank holding company without prior regulatory approval, Huberfeld agreed with the FRB and FDIC not to, among other things, own or control any insured depository institution without prior FDIC consent. In July 2023, Huberfeld consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a Commission administrative order finding that he had engaged in conduct related to the findings in this Order.

- 9. **Feuer**, 54, lives in Lawrence, New York. From 2013 through 2016, Feuer was Chairman and CEO of BRe and BBL's wholly-owned subsidiary, Beechwood Bermuda International Ltd. ("BBIL"). In July 2023, Feuer consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a Commission administrative order finding that he had engaged in conduct related the findings in this Order.
- 10. **Nordlicht**, 54, lives in New Rochelle, New York. From 2013 through 2016, Nordlicht owned, through trusts naming his wife and children as beneficiaries, about 20.7% of the limited partnership interests in BAM and about 20.5% of BRe Holdings' and 22.8% of BBL's economic shares. Nordlicht was also CIO of Platinum Management and Platinum Credit, and owned, directly and indirectly, between 20% and 33% of those entities' economic interests.
- 11. **Taylor**, 45, lives in New York, New York. From 2013 through 2016, Taylor was a director and president of BRe and BBL. In July 2023, Taylor consented, without admitting or denying the allegations, to a Commission administrative order finding that he had engaged in conduct related the findings in this Order.
- 12. **B** Asset Manager LP and B Asset Manager II LP (together, "BAM") were unregistered investment advisers incorporated in Delaware in 2013 and 2014, respectively. BAM operated from New York and, as of July 2016, managed almost \$2 billion of assets held in the United States. BAM provided investment advisory services to its controlled reinsurance affiliates and domestic insurance companies for performance income. BAM is defunct.
- 13. **Beechwood Bermuda Ltd.** ("**BBL**") was a holding company incorporated in Bermuda that wholly-owned BBIL, a Bermudian reinsurance entity. BBL and BBIL operated from BAM's New York offices. Both are now defunct.
- 14. **Beechwood Re Holdings Inc.** ("**BRe Holdings**") was a Delaware holding company that wholly-owned BRe, a Cayman Islands reinsurance corporation. BRe Holdings and BRe operated out of BAM's New York offices. Both are now defunct.
- 15. **Platinum Credit Management LP** ("**Platinum Credit**"), a Delaware limited partnership formerly headquartered in New York, New York, was a relying adviser of Platinum Management, *i.e.*, it was included within Platinum Management's umbrella adviser registration with the Commission. Platinum Credit was the adviser to the Platinum Partners Credit Opportunities Master Fund, L.P. ("PPCO"), whose affairs have, since December 2016, been subject to the control of a court-appointed receiver.

16. **Platinum Management (NY) LLC ("Platinum Management")**, a Delaware limited liability company formerly headquartered in New York, New York, was registered with the Commission as an investment adviser from September 2, 2011 until its registration was canceled on July 5, 2023. Platinum Management was the adviser to the Platinum Partners Value Arbitrage Fund ("PPVA"). PPVA is in liquidation.

Background

I. Bodner's Overlapping Principal Roles at Platinum and Beechwood and Use of Beechwood to Help Platinum Cope with Liquidity Problems

- 17. Bodner, along with Huberfeld and Nordlicht, was a principal of the investment advisory business known as Platinum. Together, these three men held the majority of the ownership interests in the general partner of Platinum's investment advisers, Platinum Management and Platinum Credit, as well as limited partnership interests in Platinum's flagship funds, PPVA and PPCO. Bodner had no official title at Platinum, but held his interests in the Platinum investment advisers indirectly through trusts in Nordlicht's name, and his name did not appear on Platinum Management's publicly filed Form ADV. Although Nordlicht was chief investment officer of the Platinum investment advisers, Bodner, among other roles, solicited certain investors to make or keep major investments in the Platinum funds and he generally kept apprised of the Platinum funds' finances and the performance of certain of the funds' portfolio companies, including some to which Beechwood lent money.
- 18. From his role at Platinum, Bodner knew that its private funds were increasingly invested in illiquid portfolio companies, such that additional monies would be needed to meet the funds' financial obligations, including investor redemptions.
- 19. At least partly to address these concerns, Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht worked with two insurance executives, Feuer and Taylor, and used certain Platinum Management and Platinum Credit resources to create a business providing reinsurance and investment advisory services known as Beechwood. Through reinsurance contracts and investment management agreements, Beechwood solicited insurance companies as clients and obtained investment control over substantial insurance company assets. In some cases, BAM managed assets placed into trusts and custody accounts created through reinsurance agreements with the insurance companies. Beechwood entities BAM, BRe and BBIL also entered directly into investment management agreements with one insurance company, and BAM entered into a sub-advisory relationship with another insurance company. Beechwood then invested a large portion of those clients' assets in Platinum funds and portfolio companies, providing important liquidity to those Platinum funds and portfolio companies in which the funds had invested.
- 20. While Feuer and Taylor became principal officers of certain entities within the Beechwood enterprise, Beechwood staffed the firm from its inception largely with Platinum officials, some of whom at times worked for Platinum and Beechwood simultaneously. For example, Beechwood made David Levy, a Platinum portfolio manager and Huberfeld's nephew, BAM's chief investment officer from late 2013 through late 2014. Also, at first, Feuer and Taylor

relied on funds from Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht for their own compensation and to cover Beechwood's payroll and other basic expenses.

- 21. In addition, Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht controlled substantial beneficial ownership interests in BRe Holdings and BBL, and Bodner and Huberfeld also held 71.5% of BBL's voting shares. The three men held these ownership interests through sets of numbered trusts "Beechwood Trust No. 1," etc. of which their respective family members were beneficiaries. They made themselves or a close relative "protectors" of the trusts, having the power to remove and replace the trustees and veto distributions. Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht also pledged assets, comprised in large part of their Platinum fund interests, to support Beechwood's capital position. They did so through entities denominated as "Series A," Series B," etc., which were series of a series LLC they controlled named Beechwood Re Investments LLC. Beechwood used this anonymity to avoid disclosing the roles of Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht when it discussed the firm's capitalization with clients.
- 22. Bodner also played a role in Beechwood's investment process by which Beechwood invested its clients' money, notably regarding certain investments in which he and Huberfeld had conflicting personal interests. Bodner initiated and/or negotiated various such client investments on behalf of Beechwood clients, and Nordlicht confirmed Bodner's role by directing Beechwood-related investment opportunities to him for review. When portfolio companies to which Beechwood clients made loans failed to make timely interest or principal payments, Bodner initiated and/or negotiated on Beechwood clients' behalf to waive defaults, extend maturity dates, and issue additional loans.
- 23. Bodner took no steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed to potential and existing advisory clients Bodner's ownership and investment role at Beechwood, the associated conflicts stemming from his role at Platinum, and the financial interests Bodner had in non-Platinum ventures in which he helped cause Beechwood clients to invest.
- 24. Beechwood memorialized Bodner and Huberfeld's roles in Beechwood's investment management process through "consulting" agreements by which entities they controlled, through their family members, agreed to provide services, including monitoring the performance of both Platinum and non-Platinum-related ventures in which Beechwood's clients had invested, in return for a monthly fee of \$335,000. Before the consulting agreements, Bodner and Huberfeld had Beechwood pay them "portfolio manager" fees.
- 25. By July 2016, Beechwood had almost \$2 billion of assets under management. About one-third of the assets held at that time had been invested by Beechwood in Platinum funds and related fund portfolio companies, or in smaller ventures in which Bodner held interests and/or the principals thereof were close associates of Bodner, as discussed below. Bodner helped cause the making of certain of those investments.
- 26. In late 2016, a federal court appointed a receiver for Platinum's PPCO fund, and a Cayman Islands court appointed joint liquidators for its PPVA fund. Beechwood ceased operations shortly thereafter.

II. Bodner's Disclosure Failures Respecting PPVA and PPCO Investors

- 27. The injection of substantial Beechwood client assets into Platinum funds and portfolio companies provided much-needed liquidity for Platinum funds and portfolio companies and helped the funds meet an increasing number of investor redemptions each quarter. In 2015, however, several major Platinum fund investors complained to Bodner that their redemption requests were being delayed.
- 28. Although Platinum Management and Platinum Credit told their fund investors that Beechwood provided the funds with some liquidity from time to time, Bodner knew that Platinum Credit and Platinum Management had not disclosed to those investors that the Beechwood clients' investments on which Platinum funds and fund portfolio companies relied heavily for liquidity had been obtained without disclosing to Beechwood clients the multiple conflicts arising from the overlapping roles of himself, Huberfeld and Nordlicht at Platinum and Beechwood; his and Huberfeld's conflicting interests in particular Platinum portfolio companies; or the criminal and regulatory histories of Bodner and Huberfeld. Bodner also took no steps to ensure that Platinum disclosed these facts about Beechwood to Platinum fund investors, including those who complained to him about delayed redemption requests, and to the Platinum funds themselves, which were thereby put at risk.

III. Bodner's Disclosure Failures Respecting Beechwood's Advisory Clients

A. Disclosure Failures Related to Platinum's Liquidity Needs

- 29. Despite his role in Beechwood's investment process, Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed to its advisory clients what he knew about the Platinum funds' growing liquidity needs, and instead facilitated Beechwood's use of client transactions to provide liquidity to Platinum funds and portfolio companies without disclosing the purpose of those transactions to Beechwood's clients. For example, in December 2014, Bodner helped cause a supplemental loan by Beechwood clients to a Platinum portfolio company and energy reseller, proceeds of which were essential to payment of interest owed by that reseller and an affiliate to Beechwood clients on existing loans, without disclosing to those clients the purpose of this transaction.
- 30. Similarly, for a time, PPVA and PPCO covered interest and/or principal payments that various Platinum fund portfolio companies owed to Beechwood clients. When those private funds no longer could afford to do so, Beechwood used its own capital to cover such interest payments to its clients on existing Platinum investments, and without disclosing the purpose of those transactions to Beechwood's clients. Thus, in mid-2015, Beechwood purchased for its clients a participation in a PPVA loan to a different portfolio company, which Beechwood paid for by agreeing to cover the other companies' obligations. Beechwood then drew down funds that Nordlicht had pledged to support Beechwood's capital position and used these funds to pay interest owed to Beechwood clients. Beechwood did not disclose these circumstances to its clients, to which it appeared they had received routine interest payments from Platinum fund portfolio

companies. In late 2015, Bodner helped unwind the underlying transactions and arrange for a new client investment that would serve the same purpose, with certain proceeds used to make interest and principal payments owed by PPVA and PPCO portfolio companies to Beechwood clients, and he did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed these facts to its clients.

B. Failures to Disclose Conflicts

- 31. Bodner took no steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed to its clients the conflict that the overlapping roles of Bodner, Huberfeld and Nordlicht in Beechwood and Platinum presented with respect to those clients' investments in the Platinum funds and the funds' portfolio companies.
- 32. Bodner also helped cause Beechwood to invest client assets in certain ventures, both Platinum and non-Platinum-related, in which he had undisclosed, conflicting personal interests specific to those investments. First, Bodner owned personal stakes in certain ventures into which he helped cause Beechwood clients to invest. Second, Bodner helped cause Beechwood clients to invest in certain ventures in which the principals were either associates of Bodner who had criminal or regulatory histories, associates to whom he and Huberfeld had outstanding personal loans, or both. After having Beechwood clients make such conflicted investments, Bodner in some instances helped cause Beechwood clients to make decisions regarding those investments that also served his personal interests, including prioritizing the repayment to him of his personal loans before those of Beechwood clients. waiving defaults, and extending further Beechwood loans, including to cover financial obligations Bodner otherwise would have had to pay. Despite this, Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed these conflicts, and the criminal and regulatory matters involving himself and Huberfeld, to Beechwood clients invested in these ventures.
- 33. For example, Bodner helped cause Beechwood's clients to make \$53 million in loans to ventures invested in life settlement policies in which Bodner had indirect personal interests. These loans personally benefited Bodner because the proceeds were in large part used to pay premiums on the life policies for which Bodner would otherwise have been partially responsible. One of the loans was to an entity controlled by a Bodner associate whose ability to service his debt to Beechwood clients was questionable. Bodner also had his own outstanding loans to the associate backed by the associate's personal guarantees, and Bodner had the associate repay Bodner before fully repaying Beechwood's clients. Bodner did not take steps to ensure that Beechwood disclosed these facts to Beechwood clients.

IV. Bodner's Gains from his Misconduct

34. As a result of the conduct described above, Bodner received, through entities he owned and/or controlled, various types of gains. Bodner's overlapping roles at Beechwood and Platinum allowed him to redeem certain of his interests in PPVA and PPCO using Beechwood client funds, which interests had also been pledged to Beechwood to support its capital position, and obtain consulting fees and other compensation-related payments from Beechwood. Also, as a result of certain loans from Beechwood clients, which Bodner helped arrange, to ventures in which

he had undisclosed interests, Bodner was able to obtain repayment of equity and interest payments and avoid having to make interest and principal payments owed.

35. After taking into account various offsets from settlement payments made in related private litigation, Bodner's disgorgeable gains are \$2,066,006.98.

Violations

- 36. As a result of the conduct described above, Bodner willfully violated Sections 206(1) and 206(2) of the Advisers Act, which make it unlawful for an investment adviser, directly or indirectly, (1) "to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any client or prospective client," or (2) "to engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business that operates as a fraud or deceit upon any client or prospective client."
- 37. As a result of the conduct described above, Bodner was a cause of Platinum Management's and Platinum Credit's violations of Sections 206(1), 206(2) and 206(4) of the Advisers Act and Rule 206(4)-8 thereunder. Sections 206(1) and 206(2) make it unlawful for an investment adviser, directly or indirectly, to "employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud any client or prospective client," or to "engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business that operates as a fraud or deceit upon any client or prospective client or which is fraudulent, deceptive or manipulative." Section 206(4) and Rule 206(4)-8 thereunder make it unlawful for any investment adviser to a pooled investment vehicle to "make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading to any investor or prospective investor in the pooled investment vehicle," or "otherwise engage in any act, practice, or course of business that is fraudulent, deceptive, or manipulative with respect to any investor or prospective investor in the pooled investment vehicle."

Disgorgement and Civil Penalties

38. The disgorgement and prejudgment interest ordered in paragraph IV(C) is consistent with equitable principles and does not exceed Respondent's net profits from his violations and will be distributed to harmed investors, if feasible. The Commission will hold funds paid pursuant to paragraph IV(C) in an account at the United States Treasury pending a decision whether the Commission in its discretion will seek to distribute funds. If a distribution is determined feasible and the Commission makes a distribution, upon approval of the distribution final accounting by the Commission, any amounts remaining that are infeasible to return to investors, and any amounts returned to the Commission in the future that are infeasible to return to investors, may be transferred to the general fund of the U.S. Treasury, subject to Section 21F(g)(3) of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act").

IV.

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

Accordingly, pursuant to Sections 203(f) and 203(k) of the Advisers Act and Section 9(b) of the Investment Company Act, it is hereby ORDERED that:

A. Bodner cease and desist from committing or causing any violations and any future violations of Advisers Act Sections 206(1), (2) and (4) and Rule 206(4)-8 thereunder.

B. Bodner be, and hereby is:

barred from association with any investment adviser, broker, dealer, municipal securities dealer, municipal advisor, transfer agent, or nationally recognized statistical rating organization; and

prohibited from serving or acting as an employee, officer, director, member of an advisory board, investment adviser or depositor of, or principal underwriter for, a registered investment company or affiliated person of such investment adviser, depositor, or principal underwriter;

with the right to apply for reentry after three (3) years to the appropriate self-regulatory organization, or if there is none, to the Commission.

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, compliance with the Commission's order and payment of any or all of the following: (a) any disgorgement or civil penalties ordered by a Court against the Respondent in any action brought by the Commission; (b) any disgorgement amounts ordered against the Respondent for which the Commission waived payment; (c) any arbitration award related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order; (d) 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 (e) any restitution order by a self-regulatory organization, whether or not related to the conduct that served as the basis for the Commission order.

C. Bodner shall, within 14 days of the entry of this Order, pay disgorgement of \$2,066,006.98, prejudgment interest thereon of \$208,459.77, and a civil money penalty of \$180,000.00 to the Securities and Exchange Commission. The Commission may distribute civil money penalties collected in this proceeding if, in its discretion, the Commission orders the establishment of a Fair Fund pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 7246, Section 308(a) of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002, as amended. The Commission will hold funds paid pursuant to this paragraph in an account at the United States Treasury pending a decision whether the Commission, in its discretion, will seek to distribute funds or, transfer them to the general fund of the United States Treasury, subject to Exchange Act Section 21F(g)(3). If timely payment of disgorgement and prejudgment interest is not made, additional interest shall accrue pursuant to SEC Rule of Practice 600 and if timely payment of a civil money penalty is not made, additional interest shall accrue pursuant to 31 U.S.C. § 3717.

Payment must be made in one of the following ways:

- (1) Respondent may transmit payment electronically to the Commission, which will provide detailed ACH transfer/Fedwire instructions upon request;
- (2) Respondent may make direct payment from a bank account via Pay.gov through the SEC website at http://www.sec.gov/about/offices/ofm.htm; or
- (3) Respondent may pay by certified check, bank cashier's check, or United States postal money order, made payable to the Securities and Exchange Commission and hand-delivered or mailed to:

Enterprise Services Center Accounts Receivable Branch HQ Bldg., Room 181, AMZ-341 6500 South MacArthur Boulevard Oklahoma City, OK 73169

Payments by check or money order must be accompanied by a cover letter identifying Bodner as a Respondent in these proceedings, and the file number of these proceedings; a copy of the cover letter and check or money order must be sent to Sheldon Pollock, Associate Regional Director, Division of Enforcement, New York Regional Office, Securities and Exchange Commission, 100 Pearl Street, Suite 20-100, New York, N.Y. 10014-2616.

- D. Regardless of whether the Commission in its discretion orders the creation of a Fair Fund for the penalties ordered in this proceeding, amounts ordered to be paid as civil money penalties pursuant to this Order shall be treated as penalties paid to the government for all purposes, including all tax purposes. To preserve the deterrent effect of the civil penalty, Respondent agrees that in any Related Investor Action, he shall not argue that he is entitled to, nor shall he benefit by, offset or reduction of any award of compensatory damages by the amount of any part of his payment of a civil penalty in this action ("Penalty Offset"). If the court in any Related Investor Action grants such a Penalty Offset to Bodner, he agrees that he shall, within 30 days after entry of a final order granting the Penalty Offset, notify the Commission's counsel in this action and pay the amount of the Penalty Offset granted to him to the Securities and Exchange Commission. Such a payment shall not be deemed an additional civil penalty and shall not be deemed to change the amount of the civil penalty imposed in this proceeding. For purposes of this paragraph, a "Related Investor Action" means a private damages action brought against Bodner by or on behalf of one or more investors based on substantially the same facts as alleged in the Order instituted by the Commission in this proceeding.
- E. Any fund established in this matter may be combined with any other fund established in a parallel proceeding that may arise out of the same facts that are the basis of this action.

V.

It is further Ordered that, solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523, the findings in this Order are true and admitted by Respondent, and further, any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil penalty or other amounts due by Respondent under this Order or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for the violation by Respondent of the federal securities laws or any regulation or order issued under such laws, as set forth in Section 523(a)(19) of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. §523(a)(19).

By the Commission.

Vanessa A. Countryman Secretary