

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA  
before the  
SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

INVESTMENT ADVISERS ACT OF 1940  
Release No. 5645 / December 10, 2020

Admin. Proc. File No. 3-20139

In the Matter of  
  
MOHAMMED ALI RASHID

ORDER GRANTING AN EXTENSION OF TIME

On October 26, 2020, the Securities and Exchange Commission issued an order instituting proceedings against Mohammed Ali Rashid (“Respondent”) pursuant to Section 203(f) of the Investment Advisers Act of 1940.<sup>1</sup> On November 16, 2020, after being served with the OIP, Respondent filed an Answer. On November 25, 2020, the Division of Enforcement filed a Motion for Summary Disposition. Respondent requested an extension of time, until December 21, 2020, to file an opposition to the Division’s Motion, which we granted.<sup>2</sup>

Under Commission Rule of Practice 154(b), the Division’s reply brief in support of its Motion would currently be due by December 24, 2020.<sup>3</sup> On December 9, 2020, the Division requested an extension of time, until January 11, 2021, to file such a reply. The Division cites “the impending holidays and other significant commitments.” The Division’s counsel further states that he “is authorized to represent that counsel to Rashid do not oppose this request.”

On March 18, 2020, the Commission issued an order providing that, pending further order of the Commission, reasonable requests for extensions of time will not be disfavored as stated in Rule of Practice 161.<sup>4</sup> It appears appropriate to grant the requested extension for good

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<sup>1</sup> *Mohammed Ali Rashid*, Advisers Act Release No. 5620, 2020 WL 6286294 (Oct. 26, 2020).

<sup>2</sup> *Mohammed Ali Rashid*, Advisers Act Release No. 5636, 2020 SEC LEXIS 5038 (Dec. 2, 2020)

<sup>3</sup> 17 C.F.R. § 201.154(b) (stating that reply briefs shall be filed within three business days after service of the opposition).

<sup>4</sup> *Pending Administrative Proceedings*, Exchange Act Release No. 88415, 2020 WL 1322001, at \*1 (Mar. 18, 2020).

cause shown.<sup>5</sup> Therefore, it is ORDERED that the time for the Division of Enforcement to file a reply brief in support of its Motion for Summary Disposition is extended to January 11, 2021.

For the Commission, by the Office of the General Counsel, pursuant to delegated authority.

Vanessa A. Countryman  
Secretary

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<sup>5</sup> See Rule of Practice 161, 17 C.F.R. § 201.161.