I.

The Securities and Exchange Commission deems it appropriate to issue an order of forthwith suspension of Richard Kranitz pursuant to Rule 102(e)(2) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice [17 C.F.R. § 201.102(e)(2)].

II.

The Commission finds that:

1. Kranitz is an attorney, whom the State of Wisconsin admitted to practice law in 1969.


3. As a result of this conviction, Kranitz was sentenced to 18 months’ imprisonment to be followed by 12 months’ supervised release, a $100 special assessment, and ordered to pay a

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1 Rule 102(e)(2) provides in pertinent part: Any attorney who has been suspended or disbarred by a court of the United States or of any State; . . . or any person who has been convicted of a felony or a misdemeanor involving moral turpitude shall be forthwith suspended from appearing or practicing before the Commission.” See 17 C.F.R. 201.102(e)(2).
fine of $4,000.

III.

In view of the foregoing, the Commission finds that Kranitz has been convicted of a felony within the meaning of Rule 102(e)(2) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice.

Accordingly, it is ORDERED, that Richard Kranitz is forthwith suspended from appearing or practicing before the Commission pursuant to Rule 102(e)(2) of the Commission’s Rules of Practice.

By the Commission.

Jill M. Peterson
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