

The Honorable Ricardo S. Martinez

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON  
AT SEATTLE

SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION,

Plaintiff,

v.

KAMILLA BJORLIN, ANDREW HODGE, and  
BRIAN NICHOLS,

Defendants.

CASE NO. 2:17-cv-1600-RSM

FINAL JUDGMENT AS TO  
DEFENDANT BRIAN NICHOLS

The Securities and Exchange Commission (“Commission”) having filed a Complaint and Defendant Brian Nichols (“Nichols”) having entered a general appearance; consented to the Court’s jurisdiction over him and the subject matter of this action; consented to entry of this Final Judgment (“Final Judgment”) without admitting or denying the allegations of the Complaint (except as to jurisdiction and except as otherwise provided herein in Paragraph VI); waived findings of fact and conclusions of law; and waived any right to appeal from this Final Judgment,

IT IS HEREBY ORDERED AND ADJUDGED that:

I.

**PERMANENT INJUNCTION AS TO SECTION 17(a) OF THE SECURITIES ACT**

Nichols is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Section 17(a) of the Securities Act of 1933 (“Securities Act”), 15 U.S.C. § 77q(a), in the offer or sale of any security by the use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by use of the mails, directly or indirectly: (i) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud; (ii) to obtain money or property by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission of a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading; or (iii) to engage in any transaction, practice, or course of business which operates or would operate as a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser.

As provided in Rule 65(d)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the foregoing paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal service or otherwise: (i) Nichol’s agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (ii) other persons in active concert or participation with Nichols or with anyone described in (i).

II.

**PERMANENT INJUNCTION AS TO SECTION 17(b) OF THE SECURITIES ACT**

Nichols is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating Section 17(b) of the Securities Act of 1933 (“Securities Act”), 15 U.S.C. § 77q(b), by the use of any means or instruments of transportation or communication in interstate commerce or by the use of the mails, to publish, give publicity to, or circulate any notice, circular, advertisement, newspaper, article, letter, investment service, or communication which, though not purporting to offer a security for sale, describes such security for a consideration received or to be received, directly or indirectly,

1 from an issuer, underwriter, or dealer, without fully disclosing the receipt, whether past or  
2 prospective, of such consideration and the amount thereof.

3 As provided in Rule 65(d)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the foregoing  
4 paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal  
5 service or otherwise: (i) Nichols' agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (ii) other persons  
6 in active concert or participation with Nichols or with anyone described in (i).  
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8 **III.**

9 **PERMANENT INJUNCTION AS TO**  
10 **SECTION 10(b) AND RULE 10b-5 OF THE EXCHANGE ACT**

11 Nichols is permanently restrained and enjoined from violating, directly or indirectly,  
12 Section 10(b) and Rule 10b-5 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934 ("Exchange Act"), 15 U.S.C.  
13 § 78j(b) and 17 C.F.R. § 240.10b-5, by using any means or instrumentality of interstate commerce,  
14 or of the mails, or of any facility of any national securities exchange, in connection with the  
15 purchase or sale of any security: (i) to employ any device, scheme, or artifice to defraud; (ii) to  
16 make any untrue statement of a material fact or to omit to state a material fact necessary in order  
17 to make the statements made, in the light of the circumstances under which they were made, not  
18 misleading; or (iii) to engage in any act, practice, or course of business which operates or would  
19 operate as a fraud or deceit upon any person.  
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21 As provided in Rule 65(d)(2) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the foregoing  
22 paragraph also binds the following who receive actual notice of this Final Judgment by personal  
23 service or otherwise: (i) Nichols' agents, servants, employees, and attorneys; and (ii) other persons  
24 in active concert or participation with Nichols or with anyone described in (i).  
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IV.

**DISGORGEMENT AND CIVIL PENALTY**

Nichols is liable for disgorgement of \$59,700, representing profits gained as a result of the conduct alleged in the Complaint, together with prejudgment interest thereon in the amount of \$14,303, and a civil penalty in the amount of \$59,700 pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 78u(d)(3).

Nichols shall satisfy this obligation by paying the total amount of \$133,703, plus post-judgment interest, to the Commission in four (4) installments as set forth herein. Payments shall be deemed made on the date they are received by the Commission and shall be applied first to post judgment interest, which accrues pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961 on any unpaid amounts due after 30 days of the entry of this Final Judgment.

The four (4) installment payments shall be made to the Commission according to the following schedule: (1) the first installment of \$20,055.45 is due within 30 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (2) the second installment of \$37,882.51 is due within 90 days of entry of this Final Judgment; (3) the third installment of \$37,882.52 is due within 180 days of entry of this Final Judgment; and (4) the fourth installment of \$37,882.52 is due within 360 days of entry of this Final Judgment. Prior to making the final payment set forth herein, Nichols shall contact the staff of the Commission for the amount due for the final payment.

If Nichols fails to make any payment by the date agreed and/or in the amount agreed according to the schedule set forth above, all outstanding payments under this Final Judgment, including post-judgment interest, minus any payments made, shall become due and payable immediately at the discretion of the staff of the Commission without further application to the Court.

Nichols may transmit payment electronically to the Commission, which will provide

1 detailed ACH transfer/Fedwire instructions upon request. Payment may also be made directly  
2 from a bank account via Pay.gov through the SEC website at  
3 <http://www.sec.gov/about/offices/ofm.htm>. Nichols may also pay by certified check, bank  
4 cashier's check, or United States postal money order payable to the Securities and Exchange  
5 Commission, which shall be delivered or mailed to:

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7 Enterprise Services Center  
8 Accounts Receivable Branch  
9 6500 South MacArthur Boulevard  
10 Oklahoma City, OK 73169

11 and shall be accompanied by a letter identifying this action (*SEC v. Kamilla Bjorlin, et al.*, 2:17-  
12 cv-1600-RSM (W.D. Wash.)); identifying Nichols as a defendant in this action; and specifying  
13 that payment is made pursuant to this Final Judgment.

14 Nichols shall simultaneously transmit photocopies of evidence of payment and case  
15 identifying information to the Commission's counsel in this action. By making these payments,  
16 Nichols relinquishes all legal and equitable right, title, and interest in such funds and no part of the  
17 funds shall be returned to Nichols. The Commission shall send the funds paid pursuant to this  
18 Final Judgment to the United States Treasury.

19 The Commission may enforce the Court's judgment for disgorgement and prejudgment  
20 interest by moving for civil contempt (and/or through other collection procedures authorized by  
21 law) at any time after 30 days following entry of this Final Judgment. Nichols shall pay post  
22 judgment interest on any delinquent amounts pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1961.

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24 V.

25 **INCORPORATION OF CONSENT**

26 The Consent is incorporated herein with the same force and effect as if fully set forth  
27 herein, and Nichols shall comply with all of the undertakings and agreements set forth therein.

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VI.

**BANKRUPTCY NONDISCHARGEABILITY**

Solely for purposes of exceptions to discharge set forth in Section 523 of the Bankruptcy Code, 11 U.S.C. § 523, the allegations in the Complaint are true and admitted by Nichols, and further, any debt for disgorgement, prejudgment interest, civil penalty or other amounts due by Nichols under this Final Judgment or any other judgment, order, consent order, decree or settlement agreement entered in connection with this proceeding, is a debt for the violation by Nichols 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).

VII.

**RETENTION OF JURISDICTION**

This Court shall retain jurisdiction of this matter and of Nichols for the purposes of enforcing the terms of this Final Judgment.

VIII.

**RULE 54(b) CERTIFICATION**

There being no just reason for delay, pursuant to Rule 54(b) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure, the Clerk is ordered to enter this Final Judgment forthwith and without further notice.

Dated: Seattle, Washington

January 8, 2020



RICARDO S. MARTINEZ  
CHIEF UNITED STATES DISTRICT JUDGE