

STATE OF ILLINOIS
SECRETARY OF STATE
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF: TIMOTHY D. SKELLY)
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FILE NO. 0400158

NOTICE OF HEARING

TO THE RESPONDENT:

Timothy D. Skelly
(CRD #: 2012322)
228 Barker Road
Wareham, Massachusetts 02538

C/o Leerink Swann & Company
One Federal Street
37th Floor
Boston, Massachusetts 02110

You are hereby notified that pursuant to Section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act") and 14 Ill. Adm. Code 130, Subpart K, a public hearing will be held at 17 North State Street, Suite 1266, Chicago, Illinois 60602, on the 26th day of May, 2004 at the hour of 10:00 a.m. or as soon as possible thereafter, before Soula J. Spyropoulos Esq. or such other duly designated Hearing Officer of the Secretary of State.

Said hearing will be held to determine whether an Order shall be entered revoking Timothy D. Skelly's (the "Respondent") registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois and/or granting such other relief as may be authorized under the Act including but not limited to the imposition of a monetary fine in the maximum amount pursuant to Section 11.E(4) of the Act, payable within ten (10) business days of the entry of the Order.

The grounds for such proposed action are as follows:

1. That at all relevant times, the Respondent was registered with the Secretary of State as a salesperson in the State of Illinois pursuant to Section 8 of the Act.

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2. That on February 4, 2004, NASD entered a Letter of Acceptance, Waiver and Consent (AWC) submitted by the Respondent regarding File No. C11040004 which sanctioned the Respondent as follows:
 - a. suspension from association with any member firm in any capacity for ten (10) business days: and
 - b. \$5,000 fine.
3. That the AWC found:
 - a. During the period from in or about February 1997 to in or about December 2001, the Respondent was the registered representative for the customer accounts D.C. & M.C. The accounts were principally engaged in the purchase of fixed income investments such as municipal bonds.
 - b. The Respondent, during the period from in or about February 1997 to in or about December 2001, purchased various municipal bonds for customers D.C & M.C. and prepared "fact sheets" as requested by the customers. The "fact sheets" provided specific details about the bonds being purchased, including their credit worthiness.
 - c. In connection with the various "fact sheets" prepared by the Respondent, certain municipal bonds purchased by the customers were inaccurately represented as "county guaranteed" or "moral obligation bonds" when in fact the bonds contained neither guarantees nor pledges.
 - d. The aforementioned acts, practices and conduct constitute separate and distinct violations of NASD Conduct Rule 2110.
4. That Section 8.E(1)(j) of the Act provides, inter alia, that the registration of a salesperson may be revoked if the Secretary of State finds that such salesperson has been suspended by any self-regulatory organization registered under the Federal 1934 Act or the Federal 1974 Act arising from any fraudulent or deceptive act or a practice in violation of any rule, regulation or standard duly promulgated by the self-regulatory organization.
5. That NASD is a self-regulatory organization as specified in Section 8.E(1)(j) of the Act.
6. That by virtue of the foregoing, the Respondent's registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois is subject to revocation pursuant to Section 8.E(1)(j) of the Act.

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You are further notified that you are required pursuant to Section 130.1104 of the Rules and Regulations (14 ILL. Adm. Code 130) (the "Rules"), to file an answer to the allegations outlined above within thirty (30) days of the receipt of this Notice. A failure to file an answer within the prescribed time shall be construed as an admission of the allegations contained in the Notice of Hearing.

Furthermore, you may be represented by legal counsel; may present evidence; may cross-examine witnesses and otherwise participate. A failure to so appear shall constitute default, unless any Respondent has upon due notice moved for and obtained a continuance.

A copy of the Rules, promulgated under the Act and pertaining to hearings held by the Office of the Secretary of State, Securities Department, is included with this Notice.

Delivery of Notice to the designated representative of any Respondent constitutes service upon such Respondent.

Dated: This 5th day of April 2004.


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Secretary of State
State of Illinois

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