

STATE OF ILLINOIS
SECRETARY OF STATE
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF: NICHOLAS ARANGO

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FILE NO. 0200626

CONSENT ORDER OF FINE

TO THE RESPONDENT: Nicolas Arango
(CRD#: 2851934)
755 W. Park Avenue
Long Beach, NY 11561

C/o Jeffrey M. Gershon, Esq.
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20 N. Wacker Drive
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WHEREAS, Respondent on the 11th day of January, 2006 executed a certain Stipulation to Enter Consent Order of Fine (the "Stipulation"), which hereby is incorporated by reference herein.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, Respondent has admitted to the jurisdiction of the Secretary of State and service of the Notice of Hearing of the Secretary of State, Securities Department dated November 22nd 2005 in this proceeding (the "Notice") and Respondent has consent to the entry of this Consent Order of Fine ("Consent Order").

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation, the Respondent acknowledged, without admitting or denying the truth thereof, that the following allegations contained in the Notice of Hearing shall be adopted as the Secretary of State's Findings of Fact:

1. On March 18th 2003, the Respondent filed an Application for registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois.
2. On September 23rd 2005, a Summary Order of Denial was issued, and on October 20th 2005, an Amended Summary Order of Denial (the "Order") were issued by the Secretary of State denying this Application.

Pursuant to the terms of the Order, the Respondent requested a Hearing on November 22nd 2005.

3. The Respondent is an individual who engages in the business of acting as a salesperson in the offer and sale of securities to the general public.
4. Between October 12, 2001 and November 14, 2001 the Respondent effected at least 3 purchase transactions in an Illinois customer's account.
5. Section 8.A of the Act provides, in pertinent part, except as otherwise provided every salesperson shall be registered as such with the Secretary of State.
6. The activity described in paragraph two (2) above constitutes the activity of a salesperson as defined in Section 2.7 of the Act.
7. During all relevant times, the Respondent was not registered with the Secretary of State as a salesperson pursuant to Section 8 of the Act.
8. Section 12.A of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it shall be a violation of the provisions of the Act for any person to offer or sell any security except in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
9. Section 12.C of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it is a violation of the provisions of the Act for any person to act as a salesperson, unless registered as such where such registration is required under the provisions of the Act.
10. By virtue of the foregoing, the Respondent has committed violations of Sections 12.A and 12.C of the Act.
11. Section 8.E(1)(g) of the Act provides that the registration of a salesperson may be denied if he has violated any of the provisions of this Act.
12. By virtue of the foregoing, the Respondent's registration as a salesperson in the State of Illinois is subject to denial pursuant to Section 8.E(1)(g) of the Act.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation Respondent has acknowledged without admitting or denying the averments, that the following shall be adopted as the Secretary of State's Conclusion of Law:

By virtue of the foregoing, the Respondent's registration as a Salesperson in the State of Illinois is subject to denial pursuant to Section 8.E(1)(g) of the Act.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation Respondent has acknowledged and agreed that he desire to resolve this matter absent further administrative action.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation Respondent has acknowledged agreed that he shall pay a Fine in the amount of Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) which shall be paid by certified or cashier's check, made payable to the Office of the Secretary of State, Investors Education Fund.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation Respondent has acknowledged and agreed that he shall pay costs in the amount of Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) to cover the costs incurred during the investigation of this matter. Said costs shall be paid by certified or cashier's check, made payable to the Secretary of State, Investors Education Fund.

WHEREAS, by means of the Stipulation Respondent has acknowledged and agreed that he has submitted with this Stipulation a certified or cashier's check(s) in the amount of Three Thousand dollars (\$3,000.00). Said sum is allocated as follows: Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) as Fine for violations of the Act; and Fifteen Hundred Dollars (\$1,500.00) to cover the costs incurred during the investigation of this matter. Said check has been made payable to the Office of the Secretary of State, Investors Education Fund.

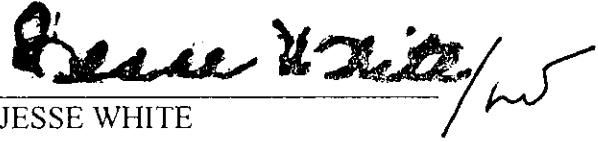
WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has determined that the Summary Order of Denial entered September 23, 2005 may be Vacated, and the matter related to the aforesaid formal hearing may be dismissed without further proceedings.

NOW THEREFORE IT SHALL BE AND IS HEREBY ORDER THAT:

1. The Notice of Hearing dated November 22nd 2005 is dismissed.
2. Respondent shall pay a Fine in the amount of Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), payable to the Office of the Secretary of State, Investors Education Fund, and on January 13, 2006 has submitted Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) in payment thereof.
3. Respondent shall pay the costs of investigation in this matter in the amount of Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00), payable to the Office of the Secretary of State, Investors Education Fund, and on January 13, 2006 has submitted Fifteen Hundred dollars (\$1,500.00) in payment thereof.

4. The Summary Order of Denial entered September 23, 2005 is Vacated, and the formal hearing scheduled on this matter is hereby dismissed without further proceedings.

ENTERED: This 13th day of January 2006.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jesse White", with a horizontal line underneath and a stylized flourish to the right.

JESSE WHITE
Secretary of State
State of Illinois