

**STATE OF ILLINOIS
SECRETARY OF STATE
SECURITIES DEPARTMENT**

IN THE MATTER OF:)	
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GEORGE W. VELISSARIS and)	No 0900376
his partners, officers and directors,)	
agents, employees, affiliates,)	
successors and assigns.)	
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ORDER OF PROHIBITION

**TO RESPONDENT: George W. Velissaris
 1205 Candlewood Hill Road
 Northbrook, Illinois 60062**

WHEREAS, a Temporary Order of Prohibition was issued by the Secretary of State on October 27, 2010 which prohibited George W. Velissaris, his partners, officers and directors, agents, employees, affiliates, successors and assigns from offering or selling securities in or from the State of Illinois until further order of the Secretary of State or his duly authorized representative;

WHEREAS, pursuant to section 11.F of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the "Act"), the failure to request a hearing within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of the Temporary Order shall constitute an admission of any acts alleged therein and constitute a sufficient basis to make the Temporary Order final;

WHEREAS, the Respondent has failed to request a hearing on the matters contained in the Temporary Order within thirty (30) calendar days of the entry of said Temporary Order and the Respondents are hereby deemed to have admitted the facts alleged in the Temporary Order;

WHEREAS, the Secretary of State, by and through his duly authorized representative, has adopted the Findings of Fact contained in the Temporary Order as the Secretary of State's Findings of Fact as follows:

1. Respondent George W. Velissaris (at times hereinafter "Velissaris" or "Respondent") has a last known address of 1205 Candlewood Hill Road, Northbrook, Illinois 60062.

2. In May 2005 Velissaris offered to two Illinois residents (“Investors”) an opportunity for each to invest \$20,000 (total \$40,000) in an unspecified plan to earn money, and that Investors would “double” their investment “within 6 months”.
3. In May 2005 each Investor gave Velissaris a check in the amount of \$20,000.
4. Both of the Investors’ \$20,000 checks were placed into Velissaris’ bank account, were negotiated, and payment was received by Velissaris in the total amount of \$40,000.
5. The activities described above in paragraphs 3-5 constitute the offer and sale of investment contracts and are therefore a security as those terms are defined in Sections 2.1, 2.5 and 2.5a of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] (the “Act”).

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6. Respondent Vellisaris failed to pay Investors any of the principal or interest due on the investment contracts.
7. Instead Velassaris repeatedly requested and received from Investors extensions on his time to pay the principal and interest, until November 2007 when the Investors refused to grant another extension and demanded a refund of their money.
8. Respondent failed and refused to notify Investors of the risk involved in the purchase of the investment contracts that could result in the loss of the money paid by the Investors, but rather told the Investors that the investments were “guaranteed and there is no risk at all”.
9. Section 12.F of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to engage in any transaction, practice or course of business in connection with the sale or purchase of securities which works or tends to work a fraud or deceit upon the purchaser or seller thereof.
10. Section 12.G of the Act provides, *inter alia*, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to obtain money or property through the sale of securities by means of any untrue statement of a material fact or any omission to state a material fact necessary in order to make the statements made, in light of the circumstances under which they were made, not misleading.
11. By virtue of the foregoing, Respondent violated Sections 12.F and 12.G of the Act and will violate them again if they make further offers, or if they make any sales of investment contracts or other securities described above in the State of Illinois.

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NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act, Respondent **George W. Velissaris** and his partners, officers and directors, agents, employees, affiliates, successors and assigns, are **PROHIBITED** from rendering investment advice and from offering or selling securities in or from this State until the further Order of the Secretary of State.

NOTICE: Failure to comply with the terms of this Order shall be a violation of Section 12.D of the ACT. Any person or entity that fails to comply with the terms of this Order of the Secretary of State, having knowledge of the existence of this Order, shall be guilty of a Class 4 felony for each offence.

This is a final order subject to administrative review pursuant to the Administrative Review Law [735 ILCS 5/3-101 *et seq.*] and the Rules and Regulations of the Act (14 Ill. Admin. Code, Ch. 1 Sec. 130.1123). Any action for judicial review must be commenced within thirty-five (35) days from the date a copy of this Order is served upon the party seeking review.

Dated: This 16th day of December 2010.



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