STATE OF ILLINOIS SECRETARY OF STATE SECURITIES DEPARTMENT

IN THE MATTER OF: LITTLE, BELL & CO., its officers, agents, affiliates, employees, successors and assigns; and DOUGLAS LITTLE; and JON DARMSTADTER

FILE NO. C0100052

TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION

TO RESPONDENT: Jon A. Darmstadter

40 Roger Williams Road Highland Park, IL 60035

Little Bell and Company LLC

2205 13th street

Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096

Doug Little 2205 13th Street

Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096

On information and belief, I, Jesse White, Secretary of State for the State of Illinois, through my designated representative, who has been fully advised in the premises by the staff of the Securities Department, Office of the Secretary of State (the "Department"), herein find:

- Little Bell and Company LLC ("Little Bell" or collectively with Darmstadter and Little, "Respondents") is a business entity with a last known address of 2205 13th Street, Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096.
- Doug Little ("Little" or collectively with Little Bell and Darmstadter, "Respondents") is an individual with a last known address of 2205 13th Street, Winthrop Harbor, IL 60096. Little is a partner with Little Bell.

- 3. Jon Darmstadter ("Darmstadter" or collectively with Little Bell and Little, "Respondents") is an individual with a last known address of 40 Roger Williams Road, Highland Park, IL 60035. Darmstadter is the President of a company named EKIDnetwork.com., Inc.
- 4. Shilimoon Youkhana ("Youkhana") is an Illinois resident.
- 5. Darmstadter gave to Little a stock certificate for 100,000 shares in The Children's Beverage Group, Inc. He also gave to Little a signed receipt acknowledging, "received fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) for the purchase of a note from Mr. Tom Scallon to be converted to one hundred fifty-six thousand (156,000) shares of the to be merged company EKIDnetwork.com, Inc." (The "Certificate").
- 6. In or about January 2000, Respondent Little offered to Youkhana and other members of Youkhana's family ("Investors") an opportunity to buy "pre-IPO" shares in EKIDnetwork.com, Inc. ("EKID"). Respondent Little said that he was negotiating a deal with the President of EKID to buy 100,000 shares at \$1.00 per share, of which he would personally buy 50,000 shares and sell the remaining 50,000 shares.
- 7. In or about February 2000, Investors purchased 15,000 shares of stock in EKID at \$1.00 per share. Investors purchased the shares with checks (the "Checks") made payable to Little Bell.
- 8. On or about February 10, 2000, Respondent Little sent Investors a memorandum (the "Memo") regarding Little's purchase of a convertible note for \$50,000 which would be converted to shares of the to be merged company EKID.
- 9. In the Memo, Respondent Little promised to issue a letter of direction to the company's transfer agent AST, Inc., to issue the appropriate number of shares to each Investor. The timetable attached to the Memo indicated that the shares would be received around February 28, 2000.
- 10. The Memo also indicated that after the completion of the reverse merger the number of available free trade shares (street stock) of EKID would be approximately 50,000 shares. The timetable attached to the Memo indicated that the stock would go public around March 6-15, 2000.
- 11. On or about February 21, 2000, Respondent Little sent to Investors receipts for their Checks and assignments of their respective shares of Little's rights and interests in the Certificate.

- 12. Despite acknowledging the receipt of \$50,000 from Little, Respondent Darmstadter, as president, failed to issue any shares of EKID to Investors.
- 13. Investors made several attempts to contact Respondents for their stock certificates or the return of their investment, but Respondents failed and refused to provide any stock certificates for their shares in EKID.
- 14. Section 2.1 of the Illinois Securities Law of 1953 [815 ILCS 5] ("the Act") provides, inter alia, that a "security" means any stock, note or evidence of indebtedness.
- 15. The shares in EKID are a security as defined under the Act.
- 16. Section 5 of the Act provides, inter alia, that all securities except those exempt under Section 3 of the Act, or offered and sold in transactions exempt under Section 4 of the Act, shall be registered with the Secretary of State by filling the proper application prior to their offer or sale in or from the State of Illinois.
- 17. The activities detailed in paragraphs six and seven (6-7) constitute an offer and a sale under Section 2.5a and Section 2.5 of the Act.
- 18. Section 12.A of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it shall be a violation of the Act for any person to offer or sell any securities except in accordance with the provisions of the Act.
- Section 12.D of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it is a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State, Securities Department any required application, report, or document.
- 20. At all times relevant hereto the security referenced in paragraph six and seven (6-7) was offered for sale and sold at a time when this security did not have the proper application on file at the Secretary of State.
- Section 12.D of the Act provides, inter alia, that it is a violation of the Act for any person to fail to file with the Secretary of State, Securities Department any required application, report, or document.
- 22. Respondents violated Sections 12.A and 12.D of the Act by selling unregistered securities.

- 23. Section 12. F of the Act provides, <u>inter alia</u>, that it is 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.
- 24. By virtue of the foregoing, Respondents have violated Section 12.F.
- 25. Section 11.F(2) of the Act provides, inter alia, that the Secretary of State may temporarily prohibit the offer or sale of securities by any person, without notice and prior hearing, if the Secretary of State shall deem it necessary to prevent an imminent violation of the Act or to prevent losses to investors that will occur as a result of prior violations of the Act.
- 26. The entry of this Temporary Order prohibiting Respondents, or its agents, affiliates, and employees, from offering or selling securities in or from the State of Illinois is in the public interest and for the protection of the investing public and is consistent with the purposes intended by the provisions of the Act.

NOW THEREFORE IT IS HEREBY ORDERED THAT: pursuant to the authority granted by Section 11.F of the Act, Respondents are prohibited from offering or selling securities in or from this State until further Order of the Secretary of State.

NOTICE is hereby given that Respondent may request a hearing on this matter by transmitting such request in writing to Tanya Solov, Director, Illinois Securities Department, 69 West Washington Street, Suite 1220, Chicago, Illinois 60602. Such request must be made within thirty (30) calendar days of the date of entry of the Temporary Order of Prohibition. Upon receipt of a request for hearing, a hearing will be scheduled as soon as reasonably practicable. A request for hearing will not stop the effectiveness of this Temporary Order and will extend the effectiveness of this Temporary Order for sixty days from the date the hearing request is received by the Department.

FAILURE BY ANY RESPONDENT TO REQUEST A HEARING WITHIN THIRTY (30) CALENDAR DAYS AFTER ENTRY OF THIS TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION SHALL CONSTITUTE AN ADMISSION OF ANY FACTS ALLEGED HEREIN AND SHALL CONSTITUTE SUFFICIENT BASIS TO MAKE THIS TEMPORARY ORDER OF PROHIBITION FINAL.

ENTERED: This 3 day of June, 2003.

JESSE WHITE Secretary of State

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